



Juniper, Blue Arrow Juniperus scopulorum 'Blue Arrow'

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O O

Hardiness Zone: 3b

Other Names: Colorado Redcedar

## **Description:**

An extremely narrow and upright small evergreen tree, with showy powdery blue foliage and blue berries; adaptable to dry soils, but needs full sun; excellent for color, articulation or screening, makes a curious, almost formal tall evergreen hedge

### **Ornamental Features**

Juniper, Blue Arrow is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape for its rigidly columnar form. It has attractive blue evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage are highly ornamental and remain blue throughout the winter. It produces silvery blue berries from late spring to late winter.

#### Landscape Attributes

Juniper, Blue Arrow is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a narrowly upright and columnar growth habit. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which can make it a great accent feature on this basis alone.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Juniper, Blue Arrow is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Vertical Accent
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Juniper, Blue Arrow Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



# **Planting & Growing**

Juniper, Blue Arrow will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 70 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.

#### **Special Attributes**

Evergreens need to be watered during the winter. Our desert climate especially in late winter to early spring evergreens can suffer during next growing season. An easy way to remember check for dryness on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter.