Juniper, Mint Julep (pom pom)

Juniperus chinensis 'Mint Julep (pom pom)'



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Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

A beautiful evergreen landscape topiary sculptured from a young age. artistically shaped, very attractive; Continuous pruning keeps them shaped and controls the size it reaches.

Ornamental Features

Juniper, Mint Julep (pom pom) is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape or garden for its ornamental upright and spreading habit of growth. It has lime green evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage remain lime green throughout the winter. It produces powder blue berries from late spring to late winter.

Landscape Attributes

Juniper, Mint Julep (pom pom) is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep. When pruning is necessary, it is recommended to only trim back the new growth of the current season, other than to remove any dieback. 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, Mint Julep (pom pom) is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Topiary

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Planting & Growing

Juniper, Mint Julep (pom pom) will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Clean up Rating (1-5) 1=least effort 5=most effort

Clean Up Ratings (2): Interior foliage can be raked up and bagged and seeds can be blown or raked onto the lawn and mowed or bagged. In the autumn few to some small cones can fall and can shed some inner foliage. 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. During the growing season maintain regular deep watering.