

## Juniperus - Growing Guide

### Introduction To Juniperus

#### *Juniper*

Junipers come in a wide range of sizes suitable for very different locations and roles in the garden. They are all totally hardy and reliable in any well drained soil, usually in full sun. They will tolerate dry, chalky and sandy soils and they need no pruning at all. Juvenile leaves on some junipers (not all) are pointed or needle like while adult leaves are normally scale-like and overlapping. Junipers usually produce male and female cones on separate trees. Female cones are rounded, fleshy, berry-like fruits which can take two to three years to ripen properly.

It is perhaps easiest to divide up those varieties which we grow into their garden contexts:



Juniperus recurva var  
coxii



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*J. communis* 'Compressa' is a miniature pencil shaped conifer growing slowly to about 3ft in height. Its leaves are sharply pointed and deep green to blue green with white banding on the inner surfaces. This is an ideal plant for growing in a tub or patio pot.



*Juniperus communis*  
'Compressa'



*Juniperus communis*  
'Compressa'



*Juniperus communis*  
'Repanda'



*Juniperus communis*  
'Repanda'



*Juniperus horizontalis*  
'Limeglow'



Juniperus procumbens  
'Nana'



Juniperus 'Carbery Gold'



Juniperus 'Carbery Gold'



Juniperus 'Carbery Gold'  
and Ophiopogon  
'Nigrescens'



Juniperus Squamata  
'Blue Carpet'



Juniperus Squamata  
'Blue Carpet' and arborea  
'Albert's Gold'



Juniperus Squamata  
'Blue Carpet' and  
Pittosporum tenuifolium  
'Silver Magic'

J. scopulorum 'Skyrocket' grows as a pencil shaped tree with glaucous grey-green leaves up to about 20ft eventually. It is only about 2ft or so wide even at this sort of height. This means that it can give stature and height in a more formal garden setting perhaps as the central plant in a border?



Juniperus scopulorum  
'Skyrocket'



Juniperus virginiana 'Blue  
Arrow'



Juniperus virginiana 'Blue  
Arrow' and Rosmarinus  
offinalis 'Prostratus'

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