



Species: *Juniperus horizontalis*

(jue-nip'er-us hor-i-zon-ta'lis)

Creeping Juniper

Cultivar Information

Many cultivars are available for this species. Below are a few of the more common varieties.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub < 4 feet, Groundcover

Height: 1' - 4' (spread is variable)

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: low and spreading

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray

Environmental Other: prefers full sun; light sandy soil

Insect Disease

can be devastated by Phomopsis blight

Bare Root Transplanting

Difficult

Other

native to North America (Nova Scotia to British Columbia; Massachusetts to Montana); transplant containerized or B & B anytime

Cultivars for *Juniperus horizontalis*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Bar Habor	'Bar Habor' - bluish/green foliage turns reddish purple in winter
Blue Chip	'Blue Chip' - blue needles; to 1' high
Blue Horizon	'Blue Horizon' - very flat; blue-green foliage turns bronze/green in winter
Plumosa	'Plumosa' - blue/green foliage turns unattractive purple/bronze in winter; to 2' high
Wiltonii	'Wiltonii' - carpetlike; blue foliage turns slightly mauve; very popular cultivar
Blue Prince	'Blue Prince' - very fine blue needle color; a low, ground-hugging form; growing 6" tall x 5' wide
Hughes	'Hughes' - silver-blue foliage turns slightly purple in the winter; grows 9' wide x 1' tall; distinct radial branching
Icee Blue	'Icee Blue' (a.k.a. 'Monber') - 'Wiltonii' sport; silver-blue foliage; grows 4" tall x 8' wide; mature branches are tipped purple
Mother Lode	'Mother Lode' - sport of 'Wiltonii' with distinctive gold variegated foliage; yellow portion of the leaves turns orangish in winter; grows slowly; and hugs the ground; spreading 4" to 6" per year and reaching only 3" tall with a spread of 3'
Plumosa Compacta	'Plumosa Compacta' (a.k.a. 'Plumosa Compacta Youngstown') - dwarf forms of 'Plumosa'; dense, flat habit; 18" tall x many feet wide; gray-green foliage deepens to purple in winter
Prince of Wales	'Prince of Wales' - cold hardy selection; forms a low mat 6" high; bright green foliage that tinges slightly purple in winter

Photos



Juniperus horizontalis - Leaves



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Juniperus horizontalis - Leaves



Juniperus horizontalis - Habit



Juniperus horizontalis - Leaves, Seeds



Juniperus horizontalis - Habit



Juniperus horizontalis - Leaves, Seeds



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Juniperus horizontalis - Bark