Mint Julep Juniper (pom pom)

Juniperus chinensis 'Mint Julep (pom pom)'



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Height: 6 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A beautiful evergreen landscape topiary for a sculptured garden accent, featuring an upright arching branch habit that is artistically shaped, very attractive; deep green needle-like foliage; perfect for framing drives or walkways; best in full sun

Ornamental Features

Mint Julep Juniper (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

Mint Julep Juniper (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.

Mint Julep Juniper (pom pom) is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use
- Topiary

Planting & Growing

Mint Julep Juniper (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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. 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.