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Hetz Columnar Juniper

Juniperus chinensis 'Hetz Columnar'



Hetz Columnar Juniper
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Height: 15 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Pfitzeriana Juniper

Description:

A tall evergreen shrub with a narrow pyramidal habit of growth; sharp needle-like bright green foliage and abundant bluish-green berries, great for changing up the skyline in the home landscape, makes a great tall evergreen hedge; best in full sun

Ornamental Features

Hetz Columnar Juniper is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the landscape for its rigidly columnar form. It has emerald green evergreen foliage. The scale-like sprays of foliage remain emerald green throughout the winter.

Landscape Attributes

Hetz Columnar Juniper is a 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.

Hetz Columnar Juniper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Hetz Columnar Juniper foliage
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Planting & Growing

Hetz Columnar Juniper will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow 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.



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