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COMMON JUNIPER

Juniperus communis

Needled evergreen conifer that loves colder climates! Behaves like low-spreading shrub but can grow tall in certain conditions.

Growing Information

Sunlight Sun
Soil Type Dry, sandy
Height 5–15'
Flowering calendar April

Benefits for Wildlife

Leaves

Flowers

Fruit Yes

Seeds Yes

Host to 41 caterpillar species, including:
(common names) Juniper Hairstreak; Imperial
Moth; Whitemarked Tussock Moth

Benefits for People

- Berries are used as the dominant flavoring in gin

Natural Habitat

- Rocky slopes, plains, coniferous forests

