

Cultural Information – Juniperus
(jew-NIP-er-us)

<u>Light:</u>	Full or partial sun, a southern, eastern or western exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain temperatures indoors above 35°. Need cool or cold temperatures in the winter when not in growth. Not a good plant for a warm home.
<u>Humidity:</u>	Can handle wide swings in humidity without harm.
<u>Watering:</u>	Allow to dry slightly between waterings. If grown as a bonsai be careful not to put it into severe dryness.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Fertilize at low levels in the spring when new growth starts. They are meager feeders and can be hurt by too much.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Prune in spring if needed before seasonal growth begins. When grown as a bonsai prune whenever training is need.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	Few problems with insects or diseases.
<u>Comments</u>	Junipers are easy to grow and can handle poor and dry soils once established. They make an excellent grown cover and are used as bonsai specimens because of their low prostrate growing habit. When grown as a bonsai be sure to never allow the soil to dry out completely and winter in a cool growing area so as to maintain a dormant state.