

Botanical Name: Juniperus horizontalis 'Bar Harbor'

Common Name: Bar Harbor juniper

Type of Plant: conifer; shrub Family Cupressaceae

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape low, spreading juniper with a carpet-like effect of flexible, blue-green branches which turn a purple color in fall or winter

Height to 1 ft. Spread to 15 ft. Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full sun

Soil tolerant of all but waterlogged soils

Hardiness hardy -- all Zones

Morphology:

Leaves scales densely set on pliable branches; branchlets point upward away from main branches; foliage turns purple-mauve in winter

Flowers none

Fruit 1/4" glaucous cones-- rare

Propagation: hardwood cuttings in winter

Usage: groundcover in temperate climate landscapes; used for color and form it makes an excellent addition to Oriental and forest-style landscapes

Landscape Care:

Watering takes average watering -- do not allow to become waterlogged; prefers good drainage and occasional deep watering

Fertilizing slow-release at planting only

Pruning head back to keep controlled, force denser growth

Pests/Diseases juniper blight, twig borer, spider mites

Other foliage may thin out in hot climates; head back to correct

Origin: Alaska through Northern Canada into Northeastern U.S.