



## Saybrook Gold Juniper

*Juniperus x media 'Saybrook Gold'*

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: Pfitzer Juniper

### Description:

Upwardly sweeping branches surround a depression in the center displaying vivid yellow foliage that is best in full sun; an excellent choice for screening or defining borders, very architectural form when mature; best time to prune is Nov-Mar

### Ornamental Features

Saybrook Gold Juniper is a dwarf conifer which is primarily valued in the garden for its cascading habit of growth. It has attractive yellow evergreen foliage which emerges gold in spring. The scale-like sprays of foliage are highly ornamental and remain yellow throughout the winter.

### Landscape Attributes

Saybrook Gold Juniper is a multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a shapely form and gracefully arching branches. It lends an extremely fine and delicate texture to the landscape composition which should be used to full effect.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Saybrook Gold Juniper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover



*Saybrook Gold Juniper*  
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*Saybrook Gold Juniper foliage*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Saybrook Gold Juniper will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.