



Milano Juniper *Juniperus Chinensis Torulosa*

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| <u>Hardiness</u> | <u>Exposure</u> | <u>Soil</u> | <u>Water</u> | <u>Flowers</u> | <u>Height</u> |
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| Zones 1-24 | Full sun or partial shade | Plant grows bigger in good soil | Little or not watering to moderate watering | Berrylike fruit instead of cones | 8-10 feet |

Chinese juniper comes in many forms, from creeping groundcovers to bushy shrubs to full size trees. The typical form is a tree, 50-70 ft (15.2-21.3 m) tall, with an upright conical form and a spread of only 20 ft (6 m) or so. The bark is brown and shreds off in thin strips. As with other junipers, there are two kinds of leaves. Juvenile leaves on young growth are wedge shaped needles with sharp points and borne in sets of two or three. Adult leaves are diamond shaped and arranged in four ranks overlapping flat on the twigs like fish scales. The foliage has a pungent or acrid scent, rather unpleasant in the cultivars believed to have originated from hybridization with savin juniper (see below), less so in cultivars without the savin influence. Male and female cones are carried on separate plants. The female cones are fleshy, violet brown and berrylike, about a 0.5 in (1.3 cm) in diameter.