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BOTANICAL NAME

Juniperus communis L.

COMMON NAME

Common Juniper

FAMILY

Cupressaceae



DISTRIBUTION

Europe, Asia and North America

FUN FACT

It is a low growing shrub which looks good in gardens and also goes well in formal surroundings.

COMMON USES

1. The juniper wood is used in making containers mainly for storing dairy products like cheese and butter. It is also used in making wooden butter knives.
2. Juniper is also used to flavour soups, meat, sauces and pickled foods.
3. The berries of juniper are used to flavour alcoholic beverages like beer and gin.
4. The tough properties led to use of juniper tree nails in wooden shipbuilding.

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