

Nottingham Bonsai

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Care Sheet Shimpaku/San Jose - Juniperus chinensis

Origin: Japan

General info

Hardy evergreen shrub zone 9-5. Keep outside all year round

Over Wintering

Keep outdoors during winter months so that they can experience a dormancy or rest period. During this period, your bonsai should be protected from drying winds and extreme cold conditions.

This can be achieved by utilizing cold frames, window wells, enclosed unheated rooms, shed or garage with windows, or mulched beds. The bonsai should be checked regularly for water when temps are above freezing.

Lighting

Full sun

Watering

Water when soil on top is dry to touch. When you water make sure you completely wet all the soil in the pot every time you water. Don't pour in a little water every day

Feeding

Spring thru early fall. You can use house plant or nursery fertilizers. Follow the label for rates and application times.

Training

Pinch new growth throughout the year wire in fall

Repotting

Every year with 10-20% root reduction after tree is 10 years or older every 2-3 years