

# Juniper

Warding • Purification • Spirit-Fire

*The Needle-Bear of Cleansing Flame*



## Overview

Juniper is a resin-rich evergreen long revered by banishers, boundary-keepers, and those who walk between the seen and unseen. Its magic is sharp, bright, and fiercely protective — a cleansing fire that cuts through shadow, drives out malign influence, and fortifies sacred space. Though small in form, each needle carries the memory of ancient mountains and the clarity of cold wind. Juniper is a sentinel herb, trusted wherever purity and protection must be absolute.

## Magical Properties

- **Purification:** Burns away stagnant, heavy, or corrupted energies with decisive force.
- **Protection:** Forms a bristling, fiery ward that repels ill will and spiritual intrusion.
- **Clarity & Insight:** Sharpens perception and clears the mind for divination or ritual focus.
- **Spirit-Fire:** Kindles inner strength and rekindles the practitioner's will.

## Spellwork Applications

- **Warding Bundles:** Hung at thresholds to guard the home or ritual space.
- **Banishing Rites:** Burned to expel unwanted spirits, influences, or lingering residue.
- **Divination Preparation:** Used to clear the atmosphere before scrying or card work.
- **Tool Cleansing:** Placed near ritual implements to maintain purity and energetic sharpness.
- **Boundary Magic:** Scattered around circles or altars to reinforce spiritual borders.

## Notes for the Practitioner

*Juniper is a herb of bright severity. It does not soothe; it sears. It does not negotiate; it protects. Call upon it when your space must be made clean, when your spirit requires clarity, or when your magic demands a sentinel's vigilance. Treat it with respect — its needles remember every shadow they have ever driven away.*



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