

Japanese Black Pine Seed preparation:

Step one:

Seeds need to be scarified to facilitate germination. Place seeds in hot water for 24 to 48 hours. Change the hot water after 4 hours with new hot water and let this sit for 2 days.

Step two:

Place seeds in moist medium (sand / peat / vermiculite) and put this mixture in a zip lock bag or container. Seeds must go in dormancy for 60 days before being ready for germination. To achieve dormancy, you place your ziplock containing the seeds in the fridge.

Step three:

After the stratification period, seeds can now be sown outside or in a container.