

Prunus lyonii

Catalina Cherry



PLANT DESCRIPTION

Plant Type: Evergreen shrub or small tree

Height / Width: 15–20 ft. H x 15–20 ft. W

Plant Form: Giant shrub

Flower / Fruit: Fragrant creamy white flower spikes.
Round fruit $\frac{3}{4}$ -in.-wide, dark red-black

Leaf Color/Size: Glossy, rich deep green, oval to elliptical, smooth-edged or very faintly toothed, 2-in.-long

Native To: California's Channel Islands

GROWING REQUIREMENTS

Sunset Zones: 5–9, 12–24

Soil: Not fussy

Water: Can take extreme drought, but looks best with an occasional deep soaking

Sun: Full sun; afternoon shade in hottest climates

Care and Pruning: Avoid planting near paved surfaces as fruit causes stains

GARDEN USE Resistant to oak root fungus
Screens or tall clipped hedges

BOTANICAL GARDEN Butterfly Garden