

Botanical Name: *Prunus caroliniana* 'Bright 'N Tight'

Common Name: Bright 'N Tight Laurel Cherry

PROO-nus ka-ro-lin-AY-na

TREE/SHRUB



Spring



Summer



Fall



Winter

Family: Rosaceae

Origin: North Carolina through Texas

Climate Zone: USDA 7-11, Sunset 5-24

Mature Height: 8-10 feet

Mature Width: 6-8 feet

Plant Type: Evergreen

Growth Habit: Upright, with dense canopy

Growth Rate: Moderate

Flower Color/Details: Small, creamy white, fragrant flowers in 1 inch spikes

Flower Season: Late winter to mid-spring

Bark: Red, brown, gray

Fruit: Showy, small black berries

Foliage: 2-4 inch long, smooth-edged, glossy green leaves

Use: Screen, informal hedge, windbreak, woodland garden

Floral: Use branches in flower arrangements

Wildlife/Beneficials: Flowers attracts bees and butterflies, fruits feed birds and squirrels

Deer Resistant: Unknown

Fire Resistant: Yes

Medicinal Uses/Edible: Unknown

Adverse Factors: Fruits, twigs, and leaves contain prussic acid (cyanide), which is poisonous if ingested by grazing animals, pets, or children

Soil: Adaptable, if well-drained

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Water Requirements: Low

WUCOLS Water Needs: L L M M M M

UC Davis Arboretum All-Star: No

Description: Foliage has a tidy and clean appearance. Year-round interest. A highly adaptable species that grows in coastal, inland, and valley zones in California. Easy care, with minimal flower and fruit debris, self-sowing.

Maintenance: Established plants can tolerate short periods of moisture stress but are not drought-tolerant. Performs poorly in containers and in compacted soils. Develops root rot when overwatered.



#5 Nursery Container