

A Must-Have California Native Plant!

Hollyleaf Cherry

Prunus ilicifolia



Description: **Hollyleaf Cherry** can be grown as a tree or shrub. It is evergreen, water-conserving, and has edible fruit with a large stone. Its flowers feed butterflies, leaves feed caterpillars and fruit feeds birds, making it a great habitat plant!



Light: Full Sun / Part Shade



144 species of butterflies and moths can lay eggs on this plant.



Featured Butterfly: The **Western Tiger Swallowtail** butterfly has a 4" wingspan, and vivid yellow and black wing pattern. Watch for it in your garden from April through August. As a caterpillar, it eats leaves of cherry, plum, willow, ash, alder and oak.

Keystone Plant: This California native is a "must have" (host) plant for caterpillars, which, in turn, are the "must have" food for baby birds.

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