Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity

Prunus laurocerasus 'Jong2'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Other Names: English Laurel, Common Laurel

Description:

A compact, very bushy selection, producing showy, fragrant, erect white spike flowers, black fruit and glossy dark-green leaves; a very hardy selection, that makes a stunning hedge or accent plant; takes pruning very well

Ornamental Features

Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity features showy racemes of fragrant white flowers with orange eyes rising above the foliage in mid spring. It has attractive dark green evergreen foliage which emerges lime green in spring. The glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. The fruits are showy black drupes displayed from late summer to mid fall.

Landscape Attributes

Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity foliage
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Laurel, Cherry Greenfinity will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 50 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Special Attributes

Evergreens need to be watered during the winter. Our desert climate especially in late winter to early spring evergreens can suffer during next growing season. An easy way to remember check for dryness on the holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day, Valentines Day & Easter.