

Rhaphiolepis umbellata

(Hawthorn, yeddo hawthorne, Indian hawthorne)

Rhaphiolepis umbellata is an evergreen shrub that typically grows to 3-6 m in height and about the same width. Leaves are dark green, thick and leathery. The fragrant white to light pink flowers are in a 10-12 cm cluster. The blue-black berries ripen in fall and tend to be hidden among the leaves. They are held on the shrub into the winter to serve as a food source for birds. This shrub withstands drought once established. Quite salt tolerant and tough, it is in need of full or partial sun. It is good for a sturdy hedge in a sunny, well drained area where very low maintenance is desired. In landscaping, it can be used as a single specimen or trained as a small tree and can be included in the beach resort landscape projects since it is very salt tolerant.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

Pronunciation: raf-ee-oh-LEP-iss um-bell-AY-tuh

Plant Type: Shrub

Origin: Japan

Heat Zones: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Hardiness Zones: 8, 9, 10, 11

Uses: Screen, Hedge, Specimen, Container, Edible, Wildlife, Pollution Tolerant / Urban

Size/Shape

Growth Rate: Moderate

Tree Shape: Round

Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical

Canopy Density: Dense

Canopy Texture: Medium

Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m

Spread at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 meters

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Opposite

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Evergreen

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: 5 - 10 cm

Leaf Shape: Lanceolate

Leaf Margins: Serrate

Leaf Textures: Leathery

Leaf Scent:

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Green

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 1.5 - 3

Flower Type: Panicle

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: Pleasant

Flower Color: White

Seasons: Spring, Summer

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Fruit

Fruit Showiness: True

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Seasons: Spring, Summer

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Heat Tolerant: No

Drought Tolerant: Yes

Salt Tolerance: Moderate

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Diseases: Leaf Spots, Blights

Edible Parts: Fruit

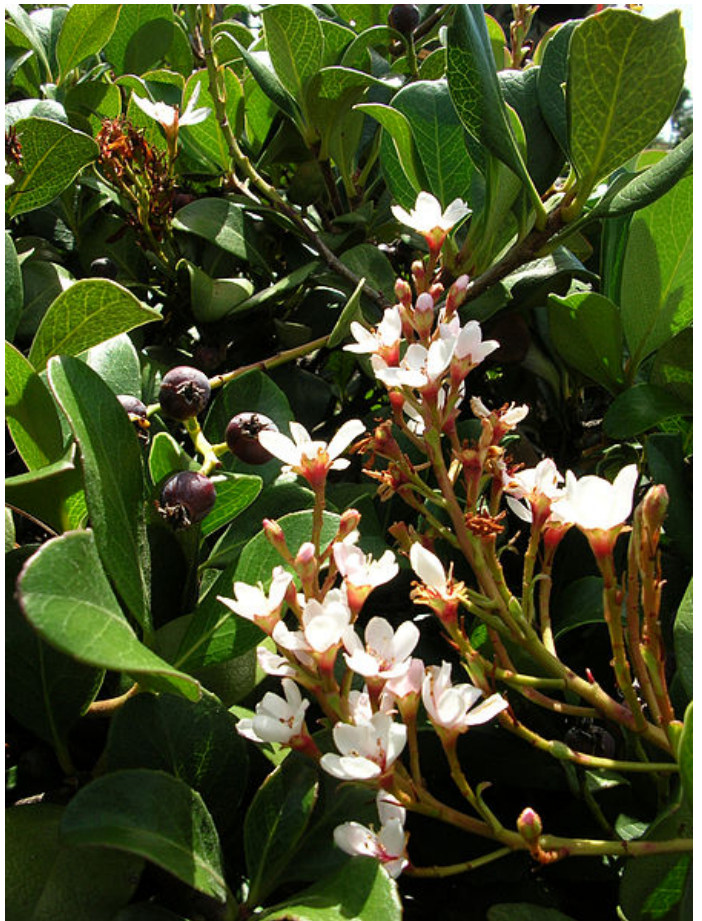
Pests: Nematodes, Scales

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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