# Prunus laurocerasus

## (Cherry Laurel, Common Laurel, )

The cherry Laurel is an evergreen shrub reaching 1.5-2 m in height and 2-3 m in spread. The leaves are long lanceolate with minutely serrated edges, glossy green very waxy. The white flowers appearing early spring in clusters with a nice fragrance and follow by a black drupe fruit. Cherry laurel prefers moist, fertile, well-drained soil, accepts sun or shade, and tolerates salt spray. It excels as a hedge or screen, or in the mixed border or foundation planting



Plant Image

## Landscape Information

**French Name:** Laurier-cerise

**Arabic Name:** پرونوس لاروسـراسـوس

**Pronounciation:** PROO-nus law-roh-KER-uh-sus

**Plant Type:** Shrub

**Origin:** Eastern Europe, Western Asia

**Heat Zones:**

**Hardiness Zones:** 5, 6, 7, 8

**Uses:** Screen, Hedge, Wildlife

## Size/Shape

**Growth Rate:** Moderate

**Tree Shape:** Spreading

**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:** Alternate

**Leaf Venation:** Pinnate

**Leaf Persistance:** Evergreen

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 10 - 20

**Leaf Shape:** Lanceolate

**Leaf Margins:** Serrate

**Leaf Textures:** Waxy

**Leaf Scent:** Unpleasant

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Green

### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** White

**Seasons:** Spring

### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

### Fruit

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Seasons:** Spring

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## Horticulture Management

### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Drought Tolerant:** No

### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Loam

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Neutral

**Water Requirements:** High, Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Part

### Management

**Pruning Requirement:** Little needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:**

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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Fruit Image


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