

Black Cherry

Prunus serotina



Type	Deciduous Tree
Height	70 - 100 Feet
Spread	35 - 50 Feet
Form	Rounded
Utilities	Incompatible
Growth Rate	Fast
Life Expectancy	Medium
USDA Zone	3 - 9
Root Type	Tap



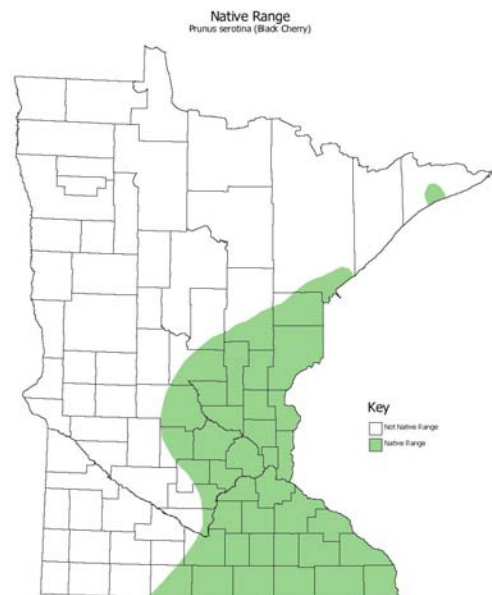
Plant Community

Sun	Full Sun through Partial Sun
Orientation	North or East
Soil Texture	Sandy Loam through Clay

Soil Water Holding Capacity	Mesic
Topography	Upland

Plant Community Forest, Savanna, Open Cliff, Forest Edge or Old Field

Succession Pioneer



Origin MSA Zone 1, MSA Zone 2, MSA Zone 3, MSA Zone 4, MSA Zone 5, MSA Zone 6, Minnesota or North America

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Flowers/Foliage/Fruit

Flower Color	White
Flower Season	Spring
Fruit	Drupe
Fruit Color	Black
Fruit Season	Summer

Summer Texture	Medium
Winter Texture	Fine
Spring Foliage	Green
Summer Foliage	Green
Fall Foliage	Yellow
Winter Foliage	Not Applicable



Soils

Salt Spray	Moderate
Soil Salt	Tolerant
Compaction	Intolerant
Water Table	24 Inches
Drainage	Excessive or Moderate
Flood Tolerance	Intolerant
Drought Tolerance	Tolerant
Moisture Regime	Moist or Wet
pH	6 through 7.5

Planting Ease

Spring Bareroot	Easy
Fall Bareroot	
Spring Container	Easy
Fall Container	Easy
Spring Seed	
Fall Seed	

Windbreak Group

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Maintenance

Formal	Moderate
Informal	Low
2, 4-D Tolerance	Sensitive
DicambaTolerance	Sensitive
PicloramTolerance	Sensitive
Clopyralid Tolerance	
Artificial Light	
Sulfur Dioxide	
Ozone Tolerance	
Hydrogen Flouride	Moderate
Nitrogen Oxide	

Pests/Problems

Allergens	both sexes 5-7 depending on species
Invasivness	Invasive
Toxicity	Has toxic stems, leaves, fruit, flowers and roots
Cold Injury	Infrequent
Storm Damage	Frequent

Biological Control

Mechanical Control

Chemical Control

Comments

A native tree valued for its lumber. Bark smooth and brown becoming red-gray, shaggy, and peeling on older trees. Bark, leaves, and fruit kernels contain cyanide.

Miscellaneous

Wildlife Rating	High
Insect Concerns	Minor
Disease Concerns	Minor
Wildlife Concerns	Deer