

Laurus nobilis

Sweet Bay



PLANT DESCRIPTION

Plant Type: Evergreen shrub or tree

Height / Width: 12-40 ft. H x 12-40 ft. W

Plant Form: Dense, multi-branched

Flower / Fruit: Clusters of yellow-white flowers in spring followed by 1/2-1 in. black or dark purple berries

Leaf: Leathery, aromatic, oval 2-4 in. long, dark green, traditional bay leaf used in cooking

Native To: Mediterranean region

GROWING REQUIREMENTS

Zones: 5-9, 12-24

Soil: Not fussy, needs good drainage

Water: Moderate

Sun: Full sun or partial shade

Care and Pruning: Takes well to clipping into topiaries, standards, and other formal shapes

GARDEN USE Large background shrub, screen, or small tree, containers