

Morella cerifera



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Wax Myrtle

MYRICACEAE

Also known as *Myrica cerifera*

Plant Specifics

Size: 10-15 (20) ft tall by 8 ft wide

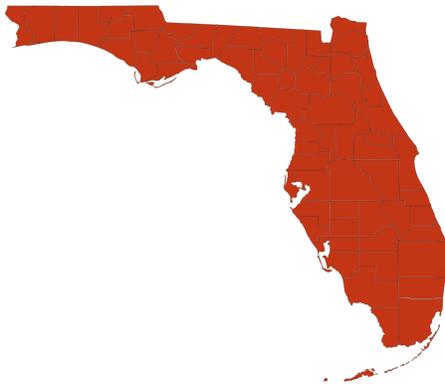
Life Span: Long-lived perennial

Fruit Color: White, green

Phenology: Evergreen. Inconspicuous blooms in spring. Fruit ripen in late summer to early fall.

Habitats: Wet-dry sites. Upland mixed forest, floodplains, wetland edges, cutthroat seeps, old fields, scrub fencerows, etc.

Natural Range in Florida



USDA Zones

Suitable to grow in:

10A 10B 11 8A 8B 9A 9B

Landscaping

Recommended Uses: Good as a background or hedge plant that attracts wildlife.

Light: ☀ Full Sun, ☁ Part Shade

Moisture Tolerance: Stays Wet ----- to ----- Somewhat long very d periods

Salt Water Flooding Tolerance: Tolerant of occasional/brief inundation such as can occur in storm surges.

Salt Spray Tolerance: Moderate. Tolerant of salty wind and may get some salt spray. Exposure to salt spray would be uncommon (major storms).



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Soil/Substrate: Humus (organic, upland), Loam, Lime rock, Sand

Wildlife



Good wildlife cover.

Seeds eaten by birds.

Larval host for banded hairstreak (*Satyrium calanus*) and red-banded hairstreak (*Calycopis cecrops*) butterflies.