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# WINTERBERRY HOLLY; WINTERBERRY

*Ilex verticillata*

Large shrub named for brilliant red berries appearing in late fall and lasting through winter.

## Growing Information

SuSunlight	Sun to shade
Soil Type	Moist (preferred) to dry, acidic
Height	6–10'
Flowering calendar	Summer

## Benefits for Wildlife

Leaves	Yes
Flowers	Yes
Fruit	Yes

### Seeds

Host to 33 caterpillar species, including: (common names) Pawpaw Sphinx ;Laurel Sphinx; Spiny Oak-Slug Moth; Polyphemus Moth; Io Moth; White-Marked Tussock Moth; Chickweed Geometer; Alternate Woodling

## Benefits for People

- Adaptable, hardy landscape shrub and important understory species
- Bright red berries provide attractive winter highlight

## Natural Habitat

- Moist woodlands and open wetlands

