

NORTHERN BAYBERRY

Morella pensylvanica

Gorgeous, full, large shrub with waxy, fragrant leaves and beneficial berries that persist into winter. Salt, drought, and pest resistant.

Benefits for Wildlife

- Leafcutter bees use leaves for nesting materials
- Berries enjoyed by various songbird and waterfowl species, especially in fall and winter
- When planted in groups, dense branches make excellent nesting sites for birds

Host to 70 caterpillar species, including: Laurel Sphinx; Apple Sphinx; Promethea Silkmoth; Luna Moth; Spiny Oak-Slug Moth; Red-Humped Caterpillar; Imperial Moth; Polyphemus Moth

Benefits for People

- Fragrant, interesting foliage
- White berries remain into winter
- Salt tolerant
- Very resilient species

Growing Information

Sunlight Full to part sun Soil Type Dry to moist

Height 5–10' Width 5-10'

Flowering calendar May

Natural Habitat

• Sunny ledges and openings

