

## Myrica cerifera - Plant



Myrica pensylvanica, Myrica cerifera

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Description Myrica cerifera is a small tree or large shrub native to North and Central America and the Caribbean. Its common names include southern wax myrtle, southern bayberry, candleberry, bayberry tree, and tallow shrub.

**Common name:** Myrica pensylvanica

**Color:** grey-blue

**Bloom time:** May

**Height:** 5.00 to 10.00 feet

**Difficulty level:** easy to grow

**Planting & Care**

Plant wax myrtle in a full sun to part sun area where roots will not be disturbed. This plant is salt tolerant and takes sea spray well, making it an exceptional beach front planting.

The wax myrtle is adaptable to a range of soils, but prefers the soil to be moist. When growing wax myrtle, plant it where you can enjoy the bayberry fragrance emitting from the glossy leaves and berries.

**Sunlight:** Full sun to part shade

**Soil:** well-drained soil

**Water:** Dry to medium

**Temperature:** 6 -10°

**Fertilizer:** Apply any organic fertilizer

**Care:**

- Wax myrtle care involves fertilization and pruning for shape or pruning when limbs are damaged or split off by heavy ice and snow.
- Historically, leaves of the wax myrtle tree were used for fragrance and flammability when making candles  
This fragrance, still used today, has earned the shrub a common name of southern bayberry.
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**Special Feature:**

Best in groups or massed. A versatile shrub that can be used in woodland gardens or shrub borders, as a screen or informal hedge, in wet or shady sites, or on a bank for erosion control

Use

**Medicinal use:**

- Homeopathic

**Ornamental use:**

- The plant is used for ornamental purpose.
- Its generally kep indoor in living room and in terrac area.
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**Note:**

for medicinal use, please consult appropriate doctor before use.

**Reference:**

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<http://www.gardeningknowhow.com/ornamental/trees/wax-myrtle/wax-myrtle-care.htm>