







SCHINUS MOLLE

California Pepper

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 Native to Peru

Why we love it...

California Pepper has bright-green pendulous foliage that makes it a very graceful shade tree. Inconspicuous clusters of hanging yellow flowers turn into rose-colored berries on female trees, which birds tend to be quite fond of. Foliage has a peppery smell when crushed, making it deer resistant.

As California pepper ages, its trunk can be of interest with its gnarly twists and knots. Deep water this tree properly to encourage a strong root system and branching structure. Plant California Pepper near seating or play areas for light shade.



Lydia says: Plant California Pepper in a spot with well-draining soil. It performs best and has fewer issues in soil that doesn't stay too soggy.

Evergreen Tree: *Schinus molle*

Size (H x W): 25-30 feet x 25-30 feet

Blooms: Inconspicuous yellow in spring

Exposure: Full sun to part shade

Hardiness Zone: 20° F, USDA Zone 8

Water: Low to moderate

Pruning: Winter to early spring

Growth Rate: Moderate to fast



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