Cherry Prinsepia

Prinsepia sinensis

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

An attractive and durable large shrub, featuring soft yellow flowers in spring and showy oblong red berries in fall; arching and sprawling habit of growth, spiny branches, makes a great low maintenance barrier plant; grow in full sun

Ornamental Features

Cherry Prinsepia is primarily grown for its highly ornamental fruit. The fruits are showy red drupes carried in abundance from mid summer to early fall. It has racemes of yellow flowers along the branches in early spring. It has emerald green deciduous foliage. The narrow leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Cherry Prinsepia is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spiny

Cherry Prinsepia is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Cherry Prinsepia flowers
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- Mass Planting
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Planting & Growing

Cherry Prinsepia will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.



Cherry Prinsepia fruit
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