

Nanking Cherry

Prunus tomentosa



- **Plant Characteristics:** A winter hardy, moderately fast-growing shrub native to China, Japan, and the Himalayas. A broad spreading, densely twiggy shrub, becoming more open and picturesque with age. Also called Manchu Cherry.
- **Size:** Height: 6–10'
Width: 6-10'
- **Foliage:** Medium to dark green above, white hairs below with a yellow fall color. Leaves are 2-3" long and 1 - 1 1/2" long.
- **Flower:** The flowers are pinkish in bud changing to white, fragrant, 3/4" across in and blooms early to mid-April.
- **Fruit:** Scarlet and edible, 1/3" across and ripening in June through July
- **Soil:** Prefers loamy soils
- **Tolerances:** Tolerates considerable wind and dryness.
- **USDA Hardiness Zone:** Zone 2
- **Light Range:** Full sun only ☀️
- **pH Range:** 5.0–7.5
- **Other:**
 - medium shrub for windbreaks
 - provides fruit and nesting cover for song birds
 - fruits processed into wine, syrup, jellies
 - root system is medium in depth and spread
 - used for hedge, massing and screen