

Prunus cerasifera 'Thundercloud' 'Thundercloud' Ornamental Plum

Zone: 4

Height: 20'

Width: 20'

Crown: Round, vase

Growth: Moderate

Soil: Loam, sand, clay

pH: Acid, slightly alkaline

Drought: Moderate

Breakage: Resistant



'Thundercloud' has been in the trade forever, and it is the standard purple leaf plum. Ruby red new leaves turn to dark purple in time to contrast with the mass bloom of fragrant, single pink flowers. The tree is up to 25' tall and is a dense presence. The purple leaf color holds into fall until the leaves fall. 'Thundercloud' should be grown in full sun as the leaves turn toward green in the shade. Good drainage is essential for the health of this tree. It will withstand moderate drought, but will stress in too wet or too dry of a situation. Robinson Nursery offers 'Thundercloud' Plum as branched bare root trees.