

Prunus serrulata 'Royal Burgundy' 'Royal Burgundy' Ornamental Cherry

Zone: 5

Height: 20'

Width: 15'

Crown: Upright vase, oval
Growth: Moderate
Soil: Loam, sand
pH: Acid, alkaline
Drainage: Well drained
Drought: Moderate
Breakage: Resistant



We believe this tree to be a sport of Prunus 'Kwanzan'. Everything about this tree is the same except that the leaves are deep purple, and that the tree is less vigorous. As with all cherries, 'Royal Burgundy's' best season is spring, when large clumps of pink, double

fragrant blooms are framed by the deep purple leaves. This is truly a lovely site. In fall the leaves retain their purple, and many turn red as the mobile pigments move down the tree. Ornamental cherries do have many problems with diseases and pests. Most of these can be avoided if the tree is planted in light soil that is well drained. Plant them in clay and they will suffer. They are also susceptible to sun scald if stressed by drought, so irrigation should be scheduled during the dry season.

Robinson Nursery offers 'Royal Burgundy' as bare root branched trees.

