

Shamrock Holly



Ilex glabra 'Shamrock'

- **Use:** Selected for its compact habit and bright, glistening new foliage, this dwarf grower makes an excellent hedge or border plant. The dense twiggy habit displays an abundance of black berries through winter. Excellent for use as a low hedge, in containers or in mass plantings. Makes a lush green background for flowering plants. Very little maintenance is needed. It is native to the coastal plain from Nova Scotia to Florida to Louisiana where it is most commonly found in sandy woods and peripheries of swamps and bogs.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun-part shade. Well-drained soil, not soggy. Water the 1st two years for best growth. If it doesn't rain for 7-10 days, then water until established. For fastest growth use slow release fertilizer two times a year!
- **Growth:** An easy to grow shrub reaching 3 to 4' tall and wide.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9; shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen. Dark evergreen foliage.
- **Flower:** Greenish white flowers appear in spring, but are relatively inconspicuous. If pollinated, female flowers give way to pea-sized, jet black, berry-like drupes (inkberries as it were) which mature in early fall and persist throughout winter to early spring unless consumed by local bird populations.



Great for planting at the foundation of your home! Tolerate: Rabbits, Deer, Erosion, Wet Soil, and Air Pollution

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