

# gal Blue Maid Holly



## *Ilex x meserveae* 'Blue Maid'

- **Use:** An exceptionally hardy, vigorous, broadleaf evergreen with snag-free, purple-green holly foliage that is well-suited for use along walkways or border plantings. This dense, bushy cultivar with bright red berries and purple stems provides a classic holly look. A great alternative for a hedge in shade.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun to part shade. Use slow release fertilizer for best results.
- **Growth:** Fast growing; reaches 8 to 10 ft. tall and 6 to 8 ft. wide. Can easily be kept shorter with trimming when young.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9, Shrub
- **Foliage:** Evergreen Glossy green leaves have a purple to blue highlights. The wavy edges won't stab like traditional Holly but retain that classic leaf shape.
- **Flower:** Partner with a male blue holly pollenizer such as Blue Prince for a prolific berry set.

**Excellent heat tolerance and berries at Christmas!**