

**Scientific Name:** *Prunus sargentii*

**Common Name:** Sargent Cherry

**Environmental Conditions:**

**Hardiness Zone:** 4b (5a for reliable flowering)

**Soil Moisture:**

VERY WET			VERY DRY								
occasionally saturated or very wet soil			consistently moist, well drained soil			occasional periods of dry soil			prolonged periods of dry soil		
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	

**Sun/Shade:** full sun

**Salt:** some observed tolerance

**pH:**  $\leq 7.5$

**Insect/Disease Factors:** none incapacitating

**Growth Characteristics:**

**Height:** 40'-50'

**Width:** 20'-30', equal to height possible

**Form/Habit:** vase-shaped to rounded

**Rate:** medium to fast

**Ornamental Characteristics:**

**Flower:** showy, pink, early spring before leaves, hardy buds

**Fruit:** small, purple-black cherries, summer, not showy

**Seasonal Foliage Color:** emerges with reddish tinge in spring, glossy dark green in summer, yellow to bronze-red in fall

**Bark:** attractive, polished mahogany-red color

**Transplant Issues:** easy to transplant B&B or  $\leq 2$ " caliper bare root

**Management Issues:** cherries are short-lived trees (only 50 years in good site), fruit could stain sidewalk and be a nuisance in some situations

**Suggested Uses:** narrow or wide street tree lawns/pits, parks

**Cultivars:** 'Columnaris' (not true columnar, just narrower form with definite upright branching, 10'-20' wide, likely shorter, 30'-40' high, often flowers slightly later than species with emerging leaves instead of before leaves)

