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PRUNUS 'CHESTNUT HILL'

Prunus laurocerasus 'Chestnut Hill'
PP 24,880

SELLING FEATURES

- Well branched, rounded habit.
- Requires significantly less pruning than leading market varieties.
- Evergreen. Very little winter damage in zone 6. Less damage than other market varieties.
- Little to no shot-hole observed in trials and production.
- Strong, low maintenance landscape plant.
- More fibrous root system than other varieties allows for easier digging of field production and less transplant shock into summer digging.



Fig 1: Zone 6 overwintering trials. Left: Commercial Variety. Right: Prunus 'Chestnut Hill'. Photo taken March 2016.



Fig 2: Zone 6 landscape performance of Prunus 'Chestnut Hill'. Plant in the photograph is ten years of age and untrimmed. Photo taken February 2019.

GENERAL INFORMATION

LIGHT:	Part Shade to Full Sun
MATURE SIZE:	4–5' h x 5–6' w
NATURAL BLOOM SEASON:	Spring—this variety only blooms sporadically
USDA HARDINESS:	Zone 6–9
USES:	Mass plantings, specimen, evergreen hedge

FINISHING INFORMATION

MEDIA:	Standard Ornamental Nursery Mix
MEDIA PH:	6.0–6.5
MEDIA EC:	1.0
MOISTURE:	Maintain consistent moisture. Do not overwater. Keep close irrigation management to avoid phytophthora.
FERTILIZER:	This variety prefers lower fertility than typical <i>Prunus laurocerasus</i> . Stop feeding in the fall to promote dormancy.
COMMON PESTS & DISEASE:	Phytophthora can occur when overwatered. For preventative treatment, spray once every 10–14 days using a spray rotation of the following chemicals: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Protect DF 16 oz./1002. Affirm 8 oz./1003. Daconil 22 oz./1004. Pageant 16 oz./100
TRIMMING:	Recommend a dormant trim to give the best bulking flush.
PGRS:	None needed
ADDITIONAL NOTES:	Normal to high fertility rates will result in margin burn on leaves and weak plants. If leaf burn occurs, cut back on fertilizer.
FINISHING TIMES:	<i>Field Production:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Field plant in the Spring, harvest the next Spring. Pot into 3 gallon and grow out for 6 months, saleable plants in the Fall.• Field plant in the Spring, harvest the next Summer. Pot into 3 gallon grow out for saleable plants the next Spring.

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