



Name: Inkberry Holly *Ilex glabra*

Phonetic Spelling: EYE-leks GLAY-bruh

Description: A slow-growing, upright-rounded, stoloniferous, broadleaf evergreen shrub in the holly family.

Height: 5 to 8 feet

Bloom Color: evergreen

Bloom Season: May to June

Sun: full sun to full shade

Soil: All soil types; ph 4.5 - 6; dry to periodically wet

Pollinators: Insects. The berries are eaten by song birds and small mammals.

Pests: Spider mites may appear in dry conditions

Cultivation & Management: Prune to shape in early spring just before new growth begins. Plants generally need minimal pruning unless used as a hedge (perhaps it is best grown as an informal hedge). Remove root suckers regularly if spread is not desired.

Sources: <https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/plants/ilex-glabra/>