



Species: *Pyracantha coccinea*

(pye-ra-kan'tha kok-sin'ee-ah)

Scarlet Firethorn; Laland Firethorn

Cultivar Information

There are numerous cultivars of this species. This species as with many in Rosaceae is susceptible to many pests and disease including fire-blight, canker, mildew, etc. Selection is currently under way for disease resistant varieties, some exist.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub > 8 feet, Shrub 4 to 8 feet

Height: 10' - 15'

Leaves: Evergreen

Shape: shrub with stiff spiny branches

Ornamental Other: hardy; best in full sun; will tolerate part shade. Leaves will burn in winter in full sun

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 5b

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Environmental Other: semi-evergreen to evergreen; orange-red fruit; dark green foliage; great as espaliered plant; thorns

Insect Disease

susceptible to scab, fireblight, twig blight, leaf blight, root rot, aphids, lace bug, scales; (a member of the Rosaceae family and therefore subject to rose family diseases)

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

native from southern Europe to western Asia; transplant from container; once planted, do not move; regular pruning necessary to keep desired shape

Cultivars for *Pyracantha coccinea*Showing **1-13** of **13** items.

Cultivar Name	Notes
Chadwickii	'Chadwickii' - compact, spreading
Fiery Cascade	'Fiery Cascade' - small red fruit
Gnome	'Gnome' - compact habit; orange fruit
Wyattii	'Wyattii' - cold-hardy; orange-red fruit
Kasan	'Kasan' - compact form; grows to 8' to 10' tall; orange-red berries; susceptible to scab
Lalandei	'Lalandei' - vigorous grower to 10' to 12' tall; abundant orange-red fruit; susceptible to scab.
Mohave	'Mojave' (a.k.a. Mohave) - a hybrid selection; dense grower; grows to 12' tall; profuse orange-red berries; resistant to scab and fireblight; not as hardy as other forms, only hardy to zone 6
Yukon Belle	'Yukon Belle' (a.k.a. 'Monon') - cultivar of <i>P. angustifolia</i> ; the hardiest form available, this cultivar is listed as zone 4 cold hardy, but is probably most reliable in zone 5; orange berries; grows to 6 - 8' tall and wide
Teton	'Teton' - hybrid upright form; grows to 12'+ tall; orange fruit; fireblight resistant; less hardy and therefore only useful in zone 6 and warmer
Lowboy	'Lowboy' - low spreading form; bright orange fruit; grows to 2-3' tall x 6-8' wide
Soleil d'Or	'Soleil d'Or' - upright form; red-flushed stems; dark green leaves; golden-yellow berries.
Apache	'Apache' - grows to 5' high and 6' wide; persistent, bright red berries; resistant to fire blight and scab
Tiny Tim	'Tiny Tim' - compact form; grows to 3 feet high; small leaves; few or no thorns; berries are red

Photos



Pyracantha coccinea - Leaves, Fruit



Pyracantha coccinea - Habit



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Pyracantha coccinea - Bark