Ilex ×altaclerensis 'Golden King'

- **Height**: 5-6 m
- **Crown**: broad conical, dark, dense crown
- **Bark and branches**: brown, green
- **Leaf**: variegated, green/yellow, evergreen
- **Flowers**: white, flowers in May
- **Fruits**: reddish brown
- **Spines/thorns**: None
- **Toxicity**: has toxic components
- **Soil type**: sandy soil, peaty soil, calcareous soil
- **Paving**: tolerates no paving
- **Winter hardiness zone**: 7b (-14.9 to -12.3 °C)
- **Wind resistance**: good
- **Other resistances**: can withstand wind
- **Fauna tree**: can withstand wind, provides food for birds
- **Application**: tree containers, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens
- **Shape**: multi-stem tree

Small tree with densely branched, broad pyramidal crown to about 6 m. Young twigs are purple, mature bark is green-brown and smooth. Leaves are glossy dark green to grey-green, marked with broad yellow, later cream coloured margins. The margins are smooth or have a few small prickles. The flowers are small and fairly inconspicuous. Despite the name ‘Golden King’, they are female. They are followed by glossy, brownish red, drupes (commonly called ‘berries’) about 8 mm across. Prefers a humic, moist but well-drained soil and tolerates either acidic or calcareous soil. Also suitable for use as tall hedge.