



Ilex aquifolium 'Alaska'



Height	5-6 m
Width	2-3m
Crown	ovoid / egg-shaped, dark, dense crown
Bark and branches	brown, green
Leaf	evergreen
Flowers	white, flowers in May
Fruits	red
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	has toxic components
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, nutrient-poor soil, acid soil, calcareous soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardness zone	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °C)
Wind resistance	very good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, coastal areas, small gardens, patio gardens

Small tree with densely branching, narrow pyramidal to ovoid crown, to about 6 m. Young twigs are bright green, mature bark is green-brown and smooth. The leaves are conspicuously glossy and dark green. The margins are very undulate, with 5 - 7 sharp prickles on each side. The flowers are small, fairly inconspicuous and female. They are followed by glossy, bright red, fleshy 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 a hedge.