

The Pirtle Nursery Black Tartarian Cherry fruit tree is a productive, early-bearer bloomer to large, cherry-red to purplish-black fruit. With an irresistible sweet, rich flavor is perfect for juice and fresh-eating. Introduced to the U.S. in the late 1700s, it is an ideal pollinator for other sweet cherries. Ripens in June, co-pollinator required. Blooms early with white flowers, requires full sun and well-drained soil.

- Includes one Black Tartarian Cherry #5 (3.74 gal.) and detailed planting instructions. Blooms early spring with white flowers, ripens in June.
- Best grown in USDA Hardiness Zones 5-8.
- Plant in full sun. Best grown in well-drained, loamy soil.
- Time for fruit to bear will be 4-6 years.
- Space 8-14 feet apart when planting.
- Mature height and spread will be 8-14 feet.
- #5 size pot has actual size of 14.165 Liters (3.74 gal.)

Below are general planting instructions.

1. Remove tree and soil mix from plastic container.
2. Dig hole twice the width of pot and as deep.
3. Place roots, surrounded by potting soil from container, in the middle of hole. The top of potting soil should be slightly above ground level, as the plant will later settle. Be careful to not plant too deep as this will suffocate the root system.
4. Ensure the roots are not tightly compressed. Use your fingers or blunt instrument to loosen the potting soil/roots and spread gently to encourage outward growth into the surrounding earth.
5. Use soil that was removed while digging to fill hole back, but remember to only fill to top level of soil mix that is around plant.
6. Water soil, allow it to settle and add more soil if needed. Tamp lightly. (Tamp, for the majority of us who might not know, means to tap the soil with light to medium blows repeatedly.) This will help soil to settle.
7. Water plant again. Adding mulch around plant in a 1-2" layer will help retain moisture. If experiencing hot or dry weather it will be important to water plants more frequently, versus the recommended 1-2 times a week to water thoroughly.

Please review the recommended USDA Zones for your area. It is important to select plants with recommendations for your zone; otherwise, they will not be successful in your landscape due to their inability to grow in those weather conditions.