Vaupon Holly Coastal WillScapes Ilex Vomitoria



The leaves and stems of this shrub to small tree contain caffeine. Once used by Native Americans, today in the ornamental trade, the bright red berries and shiny leaves make this plant a favorite. However, plants are either male or female and the females produce berries. Plants must be carefully pruned to shape them into a tree as they are slow-growing and tend to get thick. This is a larval host for the Henrys Elfin butterfly. Plants tolerate many conditions from the soil so the sun. However, the more sun, the better the berry production.

- Perennial - Grows 25 feet - Found in maritime forest, hammocks, pinelands



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