## Arbutus menziesii Madrone

TREE - evergreen.

40+' high, 30+' spread.

Elegant branching growth.

Large shiny, leathery leaves - dark green above and pale green below.

Flowers white , sweet-smelling - spring.

Fruit <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> '' red, orange or yellow - ripen fall into winter. Red bark.

Native habitat: woodlands - hills, canyons below 5000' - coastal and intermediate areas California to British Columbia.

Full sun to part shade. Frost resistant.

Likes well-drained acid soil. Water 2 x /month when established.

Hard to grow initially, but can be longlived. Produces mulch. Showy all year.



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