



California Pepper Tree

Schinus molle

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<u>Hardiness</u>	<u>Exposure</u>	<u>Soil</u>	<u>Water</u>	<u>Flowers</u>	<u>Height</u>
Zone 8, 9, 12-24, H1, H2	Full sun	Tolerant of many soils	Little or no water to moderate water	Cluster of tiny yellowish white summer flower, rosy berries in fall, winter	25 to 40 feet

A 30-40ft native of the tropical regions of South America with off-white flowers, 1/4in round reddish seeds and a strong pepper scent, this tree is generally either a male or female.

The medicinal properties of the oils in the bark, leaves and seeds are analgesic, antibacterial, antidepressant, antimicrobial, antifungal, antiviral, antispasmodic, astringent, balsamic, cytotoxic, diuretic, expectorant, hypotensive, purgative, stomachic, tonic, uterine stimulant, and vulnerary. 1/2 cup of a dried bark or leaf decoction or 2 ml of a 4:1 tincture, twice daily, have been used for up to 30 days for arrhythmia, candida, colds, flu, fungal infections, hypertension, and menstrual cramps.