

## Ilex glabra



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Family: Aquifoliaceae

Common Name: Inkberry Holly

- Height: 3-4'
- Spread: 3-4'
- Light requirements: Full sun to part shade
- Soil: adaptable to light and heavy soils. Prefers rich, moist & acidic soil.
- Leaf: Evergreen
- Growth: Shrub
- Native Origin: Eastern North America
- Interesting Fact: "Dried and roasted inkberry leaves were first used by Native Americans to brew a black tea-like drink, hence the sometimes used common name of Appalachian tea for this shrub" (MBG, n.d.).
- <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=d553>