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# NATIVE PLANTS



## Micron Yaupon Holly

*Ilex vomitoria 'Gremicr'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○ ●

Hardiness Zone: 6b

### Description:

Makes a great groundcover, rock garden shrub or for use as edging; grown primarily for foliage; very slow growing and should not need pruning; flourishes in a wide range of conditions and is drought tolerant; shows salt spray tolerance

### Ornamental Features

Micron Yaupon Holly has attractive dark green foliage which emerges lime green in spring. The tiny glossy oval leaves are highly ornamental and remain dark green throughout the winter. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

### Landscape Attributes

Micron Yaupon Holly is a dense multi-stemmed evergreen shrub with a mounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Micron Yaupon Holly is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Micron Yaupon Holly foliage*  
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Rock/Alpine Gardens
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

## **Planting & Growing**

Micron Yaupon Holly will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is particular about its soil conditions, with a strong preference for rich, acidic soils, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.

Micron Yaupon Holly makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.