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*Arbutus menziesii*

PNW Native Plant

Small to medium broadleaf evergreen tree with heavy branches,

Stunning Bark

## Restoration and Landscape Uses:

This beautiful tree is known for its chartreuse and smooth young bark that peels away turning brownish-red. It has beautiful orange-red berries in the fall with white flowers in the spring. These trees can be found along the western shore from San Diego to the Georgia Strait.

Full sun

Dry rocky SOILS

**Ecology:** Dry rocky sites, rock bluffs and canyons, low to mid elevation found with Douglas fir and Garry Oak.

## Cultural Uses:

Mostly known for a few medicinal uses. Some tribes in California have been known to eat the berries but they do not taste good. They are a valuable food source for robins, varied thrushes and band-tailed pigeons. In Latin *Arbutus* means “strawberry tree” which refers to the bright red berries in the fall.



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