**Prunus sargentii** A. Rehder

*Cerasus sachalinensis, Prunus pseudocerasus var. sachalinensis, Prunus sachalinensis, Prunus serrulata var. sachalinensis*

- *Prunus sargentii*, also known as the Sargent Cherry or Northern Japanese Hill Cherry, is a large to medium size deciduous tree and one of the more commonly planted flowering Cherries in cooler climates; it is cold hardy to USDA hardiness zones 5a or 4b, but does not perform well in the heat and low chilling in USDA zones 7 and 8; this species is also easily damaged by flooding of soils, particularly in summer.

- The pink spring flowers and sometimes good yellow, orange, to red fall color are the primary assets; Sargent's Cherry makes an attractive tree in the northern Plains, Midwest, and Northeastern U.S., but is poorly suited to most of our region; the specific epithet honors the famous forester Charles Sprague Sargent who was the first director of the Harvard University's Arnold Arboretum.

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