# Trees and Shrubs Broadleaf evergreen





Nickname:

Species: California laurel

Site: \_\_\_\_\_

Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Fill in the date and time in the top rows and circle the appropriate letter in the column below.

y (phenophase is occurring); n (phenophase is not occurring);? (not certain if the phenophase is occurring).

Do not circle anything if you did not check for the phenophase. In the adjacent blank, write in the appropriate measure of intensity or abundance for this phenophase.

|                                 | Date: |
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| Do you see                      | Time: |
| Breaking leaf buds              | yn?   |
| Young leaves                    | yn?   |
| Flowers or flower buds          | yn?   | yn?   | yn?   | yn?   | yn?   | y n ? | yn?   | yn?   |
| Open flowers                    | yn?   |
| Fruits                          | yn?   |
| Ripe fruits                     | yn?   |
| Recent fruit or seed drop       | y n ? | yn?   | y n ? | yn?   | yn?   | y n ? | yn?   | y n ? |
| Check when data entered online: |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
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| Do you see                      | Time: |
| Breaking leaf buds              | yn?   | yn?   | yn?   | yn?   | y n ? | y n ? | yn?   | y n ? |
| Young leaves                    | yn?   |
| Flowers or flower buds          | yn?   |
| Open flowers                    | yn?   |
| Fruits                          | yn?   |
| Ripe fruits                     | yn?   |
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## California Laurel (Umbellularia californica)

# Phenophase Definitions





#### Directions:

As you report on phenophase status (Y, N or ?) on the datasheets, refer to the definitions on this sheet to find out what you should look for, for each phenophase in each species. To report

the intensity of the phenophase, choose the best answer to the question below

the phenophase, if one is included. Feel free not to report on phenophases or intensity questions that seem too difficult or time-consuming.

#### Leaves

#### Breaking leaf buds

One or more breaking leaf buds are visible on the plant. A leaf bud is considered "breaking" once a green leaf tip is visible at the end of the bud, but before the first leaf from the bud has unfolded to expose the leaf stalk (petiole) or leaf base.

#### How many buds are breaking?

Less than 3; 3 to 10; 11 to 100; 101 to 1,000; 1,001 to 10,000; More than 10,000;

#### Young leaves

One or more young, unfolded leaves are visible on the plant. A leaf is considered "young" and "unfolded" once its entire length has emerged from the breaking bud so that the leaf stalk (petiole) or leaf base is visible at its point of attachment to the stem, but before the leaf has reached full size or turned the darker green color or tougher texture of mature leaves on the plant. Do not include fully dried or dead leaves.

*How many young leaves are present?* Less than 3; 3 to 10; 11 to 100; 101 to 1,000; 1,001 to 10,000; More than 10,000;

#### **Flowers**

#### Flowers or flower buds

One or more fresh open or unopened flowers or flower buds are visible on the plant. Include flower buds that are still developing, but do not include wilted or dried flowers.

How many flowers and flower buds are present? For species in which individual flowers are clustered in flower heads, spikes or catkins (inflorescences), simply estimate the number of flower heads, spikes or catkins and not the number of individual flowers.

Less than 3; 3 to 10; 11 to 100; 101 to 1,000; 1,001 to 10,000; More than 10,000;

#### Open flowers

One or more open, fresh flowers are visible on the plant. Flowers are considered "open" when the reproductive parts (male stamens or female pistils) are visible between or within unfolded or open flower parts (petals, floral tubes or sepals). Do not include wilted or dried flowers.



What percentage of all fresh flowers (buds plus unopened plus open) on the plant are open? For species in which individual flowers are clustered in flower heads, spikes or catkins (inflorescences), estimate the percentage of all individual flowers that are open.

Less than 5%; 5-24%; 25-49%; 50-74%; 75-94%; 95% or more;

### Fruits

#### Fruits

One or more fruits are visible on the plant. For Umbellularia californica, the fruit is small, fleshy and "olive"-like and changes from green to dark purple or deep brown-purple.

#### How many fruits are present?

Less than 3; 3 to 10; 11 to 100; 101 to 1,000; 1,001 to 10,000; More than 10,000;

#### **Ripe fruits**

One or more ripe fruits are visible on the plant. For Umbellularia californica, a fruit is considered ripe when it has turned dark purple or deep brown-purple.

What percentage of all fruits (unripe plus ripe) on the plant are ripe? Less than 5%; 5-24%; 25-49%; 50-74%; 75-94%; 95% or more;

#### Recent fruit or seed drop

One or more mature fruits or seeds have dropped or been removed from the plant since your last visit. Do not include obviously immature fruits that have dropped before ripening, such as in a heavy rain or wind, or empty fruits that had long ago dropped all of their seeds but remained on the plant.

How many mature fruits have dropped seeds or have completely dropped or been removed from the plant since your last visit?

Less than 3; 3 to 10; 11 to 100; 101 to 1,000; 1,001 to 10,000; More than 10,000;

