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mul·ber·ry  (mŭl bĕr'ē, -bə-rē)

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n.

1.

a. Any of several deciduous trees of the genus *Morus*, having unisexual flowers in drooping catkins and edible usually purple fruit.

b. The sweet fruit of any of these trees.

2. A grayish to dark purple. Also called *murrey*.

[Middle English *mulberrie*, from Old English *mōrberie* and Middle Low German *mŭlberi*, *mūrberi* : both from Latin *mōrum* + Old English *berie*, berry or Old High German *beri*, berry; see *bhā*-¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

mul ber'ry *adj.*

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