

Shrub and Tree Descriptions - Spring 2024

Shrubs	Scientific Name	Common Name	Price	Bloom Time	Light Requirements	Flower Color and Notes	Height in Feet	Fruit, Nut, and Wildlife Value
	<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	Indigo Bush 3g	\$26	May - June	Full Sun to Part Sun	3-6" purple spikes in spring; tolerates most soil conditions; fast grower & thicket forming; extensive root system helps in preventing soil erosion	6'-10' H 5'-8' W	Food source for bees; host larvae of moths and butterflies;
	<i>Aronia melanocarpa</i>	Black Chokeberry 3g	\$26	May	Full Sun to Part-shade	Small clusters of white flowers in mid-spring; prefers moist to wet soil; dark green foliage turns deep red in fall; slow grower	5'-8' H 3'-5' W	Fruit is eaten by birds in mid to late winter
	<i>Cephalanthus occidentalis</i>	Buttonbush 5g	\$26	June	Full Sun to Part-shade	White flowers; prefers moist to wet soil; moderate growth rate	8' H 8' W	Nectar attracts butterflies (such as the tiger swallowtail) and hummingbirds. Attracts over 24 species of birds (including robin, kingbird and towhee). Nettlebs persisting through winter attract birds.
	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	Pagoda Dogwood 3g	\$26	June	Full Sun to Part-shade	Flowers; oval shape; tolerates shade	20' H 15' W	Attracts butterflies, Game birds, Small mammals, Song birds, and Water birds
	<i>Cornus amomum</i>	Silky Dogwood 3g	\$26	May - June	Full Sun to Part-shade	White, flat-topped flowers; moderate grower; prefers moist, well-drained soil; tolerant of clay; tolerant of black walnut; can be thicket forming	8' H & W	Fruit is loved by small birds and waterfowl
	<i>Cornus sericea</i>	Red Twig Dogwood 5g	\$26	May to June	Full Sun to Part-shade	White flowers; prefers moist well-drained soil to wet soil; can tolerate clay soil; fast grower	9-10' H	Fruit and twigs are used by several species, such as robins, cedar waxwings, rabbits, and deer. Provides dense cover for a large number of wildlife species. Red stems add winter color.
	<i>Diervilla lonicera</i>	Bush Honeysuckle 3g	\$26	July-August	Full Sun to Part-shade	Yellow flowers; tolerates dry soil and clay; can be thicket forming	3'-5' H & W	Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies
	<i>Ilex verticillata</i>	Winterberry 5g	\$26	June - July	Full Sun to Part-shade	Greenish-white flowers on new growth; need male & female plants to pollinate; tolerates clay and wet soil	3'-12' H & W	Showy fruit in the winter attracts birds
	<i>Lindera benzoin</i>	Spicebush 3g	\$26	June	Full Sun to Part Sun	Slow to moderate grower with fragrant yellow flowers; prefers acid soil and moist well-drained soil	5' - 8' H & W	Birds like the berries because of the high fat content
	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	Common Ninebark 3g	\$26	Late May to Late June	Full Sun	White flower clusters; red seed membranes are attractive in late summer; can tolerate clay soil and black walnut	9' H	Good nectar and pollen source; dry seeds possibly eaten by game birds; twigs provide browse for deer; good cover for birds
	<i>Ribes americana</i>	American Black Currant 5g	\$26	Early Spring	Full Sun to Part-shade	Yellow; prefers moist soil; tolerant of black walnut	5' H 5' W	Edible black berries in mid-summer; may aid in the spread of white pine blister rust if planted near Eastern White Pines or pines with needles in clusters of five
	<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	Black Elderberry 5g	\$26	June and July	Full Sun to Part-shade	White, fragrant flowers; tolerant of clay soil and black walnut	9' H	Purple berries may be used for jam or in muffins
	<i>Spiraea alba</i>	Meadowsweet 5g	\$26	August	Full Sun	4" slender clusters of flowers in mid-late summer; spreads through suckers; prefers moist to wet soil	3'-6' H & W	Attracts birds, butterflies, and bees
	<i>Symphoricarpos alba</i>	White Snowberry 3g	\$26	Late June to Early July	Full Sun to Part Sun	Pink flowers; white berries in autumn; fast-grower; prefers moist well-drained soil; round shape; thicket forming	4'-8' H & W	Attracts bees and hummingbirds; berries are mildly toxic to humans and pets, but beneficial for birds, butterflies, and other wildlife; berries are very toxic to fish
	<i>Viburnum lentago</i>	Nannyberry 5g	\$26	May - June	Full Sun to Part-shade	White flower; arching branches; prefers dry, moist, well-drained soil; spreads by suckers; black walnut tolerant; moderate grower; thicket forming	15' H 6'-12' W	Edible berries consumed by birds and mammals, including humans. Caterpillar and larva host to the spring azure butterfly. Edible berries. Prune after flowering to maintain size and shape.
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	<i>Betula alleghaniensis</i>	Yellow Birch 3g	\$26		Full Sun to Part-shade	Yellow fall color; round shape; prefers moist, well-drained soil; tolerant of black walnut	60'-70' H	Attracts insect pollinators, songbirds, small mammals; and game birds
	<i>Betula papyrifera</i>	Paper Birch 5g	\$26		Full Sun	Prefers acid soil, moist, and well-drained; tolerates clay and alkaline soil; NOT tolerant of black walnut; fast grower; white bark and yellow fall leaves	50-70' H 19-45' W	Attracts game birds and songbirds, small mammals, and insect pollinators
	<i>Prunus americanus</i>	American Plum 5g	\$26	Mid-April to Mid-May	Fun Sun to Pat-shade	White flowers; easy to grow	15-20' H	Edible fruit favored by many birds and mammals, including humans! Plums may be used for jam.
	<i>Quercus alba</i>	White Oak 3g	\$26		Full Sun	State tree of Illinois; prefers well-drained soil; tolerant of black walnut; Red, brown fall leaves	80' H	Acorns attract migrant birds, small mammals (like squirrels), game birds, and game mammals; squirrel nesting sites
	<i>Quercus ellipsoidalis</i>	Northern Pin Oak 3g	\$26		Full Sun	AKA Hill's Oak; prefers acid soil and moist well-drained soil; tolerates clay soil; oval shape; moderate grower	40'-75' H & W	Attracts birds and small mammals
	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	Oak - Bur 5g	\$26		Full Sun	Large leaves; round shape; good tree for urban sites; tolerant of clay soil	60' H 50' W	Large acorns attract birds and small mammals
	<i>Quercus Rubra</i>	Oak - Red 5g	\$26		Full Sun to Part-shade	Prefers moist, well-drained soil; tolerant of clay and sandy soil; russet to bright red leaves in fall; tolerant of black walnut	60-75' H	Acorns attract birds and small mammals