



# Shrubs

2024 Native Plant Sale

# Lead Plant

## *Amorpha canescens*

Height: 1-3'

Spread: 2-3'

Sun: Full sun

Site conditions: moist to dry soil

### Notes:

- Tolerates part shade, but will produce fewer flowers and have a tendency to sprawl
- Flowers may not appear until plant is several years old
- Native to prairies and savannas
- Flowers attractive to pollinators
- Deer and rabbits feed on foliage



# Black chokeberry

*Aronia melanocarpa*

Height: 3-6'

Spread: 3-6'

Sun: Full sun to part shade

Site conditions: Tolerates a range of soils, including wet conditions

## Notes:

- Best fruit and flower production in full sun
- Spreads by root suckers
- White flowers in spring
- Blue-black berries in fall
- Purple-red fall foliage



# New Jersey Tea

*Ceanothus americanus*

Height: 3 - 4'

Spread: 3 - 5'

Sun: full sun to part shade

Site conditions: moist to dry



## Notes:

- Named for uses as a tea substitute during Revolutionary War times
- Compact, rounded shrub
- Drought tolerant
- Clusters of tiny, white flowers in late spring
- Host plant for Spring Azure, Summer Azure and Mottled Duskywing butterflies
- Tolerant of fire



# Gray Dogwood

*Cornus racemosa*

Height: 3 - 8'

Spread: 5 - 8'

Sun: full sun to part shade

Site conditions: moist to dry

## Notes:

- White berries are an important food source for many birds and mammals
- Provides nesting habitat when it forms dense thickets



# Wild Hydrangea

*Hydrangea arborescens*

Height: 3 - 5'

Spread: 3 - 5'

Sun: partial sun to full shade

Site conditions: moist soils

## Notes:

- Full, rounded form
- Susceptible to over-browsing by deer
- Nest site for Indigo Bunting
- Sensitive to drought



# Common Ninebark

*Physocarpus opulifolius*

Height: 5 - 10'

Spread: 5 - 10'

Sun: full sun to part sun

Site conditions: moist to dry soils

## Notes:

- Named for layers of reddish-brown peeling bark
- White flowers in spring attract a variety of pollinators
- Flower buds and young fruit are pink
- Yellow fall foliage
- Fast growing
- Can be cut back for a shorter shrub



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# Shrubby Cinquefoil

*Potentilla fruticosa*

Height: 2 - 4'

Spread: 3 - 5'

Sun: sun to part-shade

Site conditions: moist to dry sites

## Notes:

- Drought tolerant
- Abundant yellow flowers in summer
- Does well in a variety of soil types, but prefers slight acidity
- Nectar source for honeybees
- Host plant for caterpillars of the Dorcas Copper butterfly





# Flameleaf Sumac

*Rhus copallinum*

Height: 5 - 6'

Spread: 5 - 6'

Sun: full sun to part sun

Site conditions: medium to dry soils

## Notes:

- Drought tolerant
- Performs well on dry, eroded hillsides
- Spreads by root suckers to form colonies
- Foliage turns bright red in fall



# Silky Willow

*Salix sericea*

Height: 5 - 10'

Spread: 5 - 10'

Sun: sun to part-shade

Site conditions: wet to medium

## Notes:

- Prefers moist, poorly drained sites
- Tolerates clay soil
- Host plant to Viceroy butterflies (*Limenitis archippus*)



# Highbush Blueberry

*Vaccinium corymbosum*

Height: 8 - 10'

Spread: 8 - 10'

Sun: sun to part-shade

Site conditions: wet to dry, acidic soils

## Notes:

- Small, white flowers in spring
- Produces blue, edible fruit in summer
- Showy fall foliage
- Tolerates some shade, but more fruit produced in full sun
- Cultivated blueberries derived from this species
- Variety of wildlife feed on fruit
- Produces nest sites for a variety of birds

