

ummer Wine Ninebark Treeform





#### Northern **# TOP-GRAFTS & TREE-FORMS**

<u>Caragana</u>				
GLOBE CARAGANA TOPGRAFT		Caragana frutex 'Globosa'		
MATURE SIZE: FLOWERS:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m) Yellow	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Globe Zone 2	

Compact globe-shaped habit. Bright-green foliage, small yellow flowers in late spring.

WEEPING CARAGANA TOPGRAFT		Caragana arborescens 'Pendula'	
MATURE SIZE:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Weeping
FLOWERS:	Yellow	HARDINESS:	Zone 2

The arching, weeping branches of this regular-leafed Caragana make an ideal accent plant. Small yellow flowers in late spring.

WALKER CARAGANA TOPGRAFT		Caragana arborescens 'Walker'	
MATURE SIZE:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Weeping
FLOWERS:	Yellow	HARDINESS:	Zone 2

Fine textured, light green foliage makes this plant look very graceful and elegant. Small yellow flowers in late spring.

# Hydrangea

LIMELIGHT HYDRANGEA TREEFORM		Hydrangea pan	Hydrangea paniculata 'Limelight'	
MATURE SIZE: FLOWERS:	6' x 3' (2 x 0.9 m) White (panicle)	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Spreading, rounded Zone 3b	
Upright rounded shrub with outstanding lime-green flowers in early August. Prefers a shel- tered location.				

QUICKFIRE HYDR	ANGEA TREEFORM	Hydrangea pani	<i>culata</i> 'Bulk'
MATURE SIZE: FLOWERS:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m) Pink (panicle)	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Spreading, rounded Zone 3b

Well named for its white blooms in mid-July (up to a month earlier than other cultivars) that rapidly turn a deep and lasting pink. Prefers a sheltered location.

VANILLA STRAWBERRY HYDRANGEA TREE		Hydrangea paniculata 'Renhy'	
MATURE SIZE:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Spreading, rounded
FLOWERS:	Pink (panicle)	HARDINESS:	Zone 3b

Enormous flower panicles are a blend of vanilla and strawberry in early August. The red colour in these flowers persists for 3-4 weeks. Bailey Nurseries First Editions introduction. Prefers a sheltered location.

	<u>Physocarpus</u>	<u>- Ninebark</u>	NGarden
AMBER JUBILEE®	INEBARK TREEFORM	Physocarpus opt	ulifolius 'Jefam'
Mature Size: Foliage:	6' x 4' (2 x 1.2 m) Orange-green	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Spreading, rounded Zone 2

Foliage emerges orange, turns green during summer, than purple in fall. Outstanding peeling bark on exposed trunk. Basal pruning will be required to maintain single stem. CPBR #4765, USPP #23,177

SUMMER WINE® NINEBARK TREEFORM		Physocarpus o	Physocarpus opulifolius 'Seward'	
MATURE SIZE:	6' x 4' (2 x 1.2 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Spreading, rounded	
FOLIAGE:	Purple	HARDINESS:	Zone 2	

A tree-formed version of this popular purple leafed ninebark. Creamy white flowers in the spring. Outstanding peeling bark on exposed trunk. Basal pruning will be required to maintain single stem. USPP #11,211

<u>Picea - Spruce</u>				
GLOBE BLUE SPRUCE TOPGRAFT Picea pungens 'Globosa				
Mature Size: Foliage:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m) Blue needles	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Globe Zone 2	
Topgraft has bright blue evergreen foliage and globe-shaped habit.				

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# Prunus - Plum

#### DOUBLE FLOWERING PLUM TOPGRAFT

Prunus triloba 'Multiplex' MATURE SIZE: 8' x 6' (2.5 x 2 m) CROWN SHAPE: Spreading, rounded FLOWERS: Double pink HARDINESS: Zone 2 The showy pink blossoms appear before the green foliage and make a spectacular display.

#### Salix - Willow

WEEPING PUSSY WILLOW TOPGRAFT		Salix caprea 'Pendula'	
Mature Size:	6' x 8' (2 x 2.5 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Weeping
Flowers:	Spring catkins	HARDINESS:	Zone 4

Large, silver catkins in spring. Leaves are wide, serrated, bright-green above, silver below.

# Syringa - French Lilac

CONGO LILAC TOPGRAFT		<i>Syringa vulgaris</i> 'Congo'	
MATURE SIZE: FLOWERS:	5' x 3' (1.5 x 0.9 m) single, wine-red	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Compact, rounded Zone 3

Very fragrant, single flowers are a striking wine-red that gradually change to purple.

# Syringa - Other Lilac

DWARF KOREAN LILAC TOPGRAFT		<i>Syringa meyeri</i> 'Palibin'	
Mature Size: Flowers:	6' x 5' (2 x 1.5 m) Pink	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Rounded Zone 3
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This distinctive lilac produces abundant pink blooms with a heavy fragrance in late June.

## Viburnum

SNOWBALL VIBURNUM TREEFORM		Viburnum opulus 'Sterile'	
MATURE SIZE: FLOWERS:	8' x 6' (2.4 x 2 m) White snowballs	CROWN SHAPE: HARDINESS:	Rounded Zone 3
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Tree-form shrub producing large balls of sterile white flowers that later turn to light pink.

NANNYBERRY VIBURNUM TREEFORM		Viburnum lentago	
MATURE SIZE:	18' x 9' (6 x 3 m)	CROWN SHAPE:	Upright
FLOWERS:	White	HARDINESS:	Zone 2

Clusters of white flowers in spring mature to blue-black fruit in fall. Purple red fall colour.

#### **TIPS FOR TOPGRAFTS &** TREE-FORMED SHRU

Topgrafted shrubs should be pruned on an annual basis with a focus on keeping the topgraft rounded and neat.

Pruning the topgraft must be done with recognition of its effect on flower development. In the case of lilac, it is best to prune immediately after flowering so as to allow next years blooms to develop.

It is also critical to remove leafy shoots that arise from along the interstem and at its base. These sprouts and suckers can quickly overpower the topgrafted shrub (see adjacent photo), destroying the beauty of the grafted cultivar.

An alternative to topgrafted shrubs are treeformed shrubs. Tree-form shrubs are produced by training up and retaining a single dominant stem for shrub cultivars. With a tree-formed shrub there is still the need for removing lateral sprouts and basal shoots.





**Snowball Viburnum Treeform** 

