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Alleghany Viburnum

Viburnum x rhytidophylloides 'Alleghany'

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5

Description:

An exceptional landscape shrub, featuring flat-topped clusters of creamy white flowers in spring and fruit which starts brilliant red changing to black in fall, extremely ornamental; dense, upright and compact, a beautiful choice for the shrub border

Ornamental Features

Alleghany Viburnum features showy creamy white flat-top flowers at the ends of the branches in mid spring. The dark red fruits are held in abundance in spectacular clusters from late summer to late winter. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The fuzzy narrow leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Alleghany Viburnum is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Alleghany Viburnum is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Alleghany Viburnum flowers
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Alleghany Viburnum in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Alleghany Viburnum will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.



Alleghany Viburnum fruit
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