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# Amelanchier arborea

## Downy Serviceberry



Also called juneberry, or shadbush. A beautiful small tree, lighting up the margins of woodlands in the spring. White flowers in April or May, before or emerging with the leaves. Edible blue fruit in July and August, loved by birds. Fall foliage is glowing orange-red. Bark is smooth, slate grey. All in all, a wonderful plant. Adaptable to a wide range of sites - except poorly drained ones.

**Suggested companions:** Looks good against dark backgrounds such as evergreen trees. Under it, try spring beauty (*Claytonia virginica*) or rue anemone (*Anemonella thalictroides*) mixed with Pennsylvania sedge (*Carex pensylvanica*).

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Plant Type: Small Tree  
Size: 12-24' H  
18-24' W

Water Tolerant: No

Habitat:

Woodland Margin  
Forested Upland

Soil: Average Garden Soil  
Rich Moist  
Sandy/ Gravelly  
Clay

Exposure: filtered  
shade  
sun

Flower Color:  
White

Bloom Time:  
April

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Other Attributes:

Bird attracting  
Fall color  
Edible fruit  
Wildlife attracting  
Butterfly attracting