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Aronia melanocarpa

Black Chokeberry



Often found in moist, swampy areas in the wild, but will tolerate a variety of sites and soils.

White flowers in clusters in May, shiny purple-black berries in September. Fall foliage is a gorgeous wine-red. Transplants well; few insect or disease problems. In favorable sites, will spread to form broad thickets.

Suggested companions: tamarack (*Larix laricina*), cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), black spruce (*Picea mariana*), leatherleaf (*Chamaedaphne calyculata*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), ferns

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Plant Type: Shrub
Size: 3-6' H
3-6' W

Water Tolerant: Somewhat

Habitat:

Shrubby Wetland
Woodland Margin
Swamp/ Bog
Forested Wetland

Soil: Average Garden Soil
Sandy/ Gravelly
Rich Moist
Very Damp/Wet
Clay

Exposure: sun
filtered

Flower Color:
White

Bloom Time:
April
May

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Other Attributes:
Bird attracting
Wildlife attracting
Fall color