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Parthenocissus quinquefolia

Virginia Creeper



A beautiful, adaptable vine, clinging by aerial rootlets. Leaves emerge pinkish, turn deep green, and then, in fall, brilliant scarlet. Inconspicuous greenish flowers are followed by blue berries on bright red stems. Birds love the berries. Transplants well. Can be used as a groundcover or a climbing vine.

Suggested companions: grow up into sugar maples (*Acer saccharum*), or white oaks (*Quercus rubra*), or let it ramble through blackberry (*Rubus allegheniensis*), goldenrod (*Solidago* sp.) and asters (*Aster* sp.)

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Plant Type: Vine

Size: 10'-35' H
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Water Tolerant: Somewhat

Habitat:

Woodland Margin
Forested Upland
Forested Wetland

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

Exposure: sun
filtered
shade

Flower Color:

White
Green

Bloom Time:

June
July

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Other Attributes:

Bird attracting
Fall color
Wildlife attracting