

Alleghany Serviceberry



Features showy, 5-petaled, slightly fragrant, white flowers in drooping clusters which appear in early spring (April) before the leaves. Flowers give way to small, round, edible berries which ripen to dark purplish-black in June (hence the sometimes common name of Juneberry) and resemble blueberries in size, color and taste. Berries are often used in jams, jellies and pies. Finely-toothed, obovate leaves emerge with a bronzish-purple tinge in spring, mature to lustrous dark green in summer and turn red-orange in fall.



Reaches 15-25 feet tall and wide.



Partial Sun/Shade



Water your tree frequently soon after planting and during the first few years of growth. Twice a week will do during the first 6 months. Thereafter, you can water biweekly.



- Do provide organic matter when backfilling rootball, adequate mulch layer and protection from hot afternoon sun.
- Do use sharp, clean tools when pruning; ragged stems and branches from dull tools leaves your plants open to various pest and disease.
- Don't plant in an exposed site; this Michigan native is typically found as an understory plant, protected from high winds and harsh sunlight.
- Don't neglect to thin the interior over time; as a member of the rose family, serviceberry thrives with good air circulation to interior structure.

