

Shadblow Serviceberry

This large deciduous shrub or small tree, with many colonyforming erect stems is often found growing in swampy, wet sites in eastern North America. In yards and landscapes in the Midwest, Canada serviceberry is best suited for wet sites. It has white blooms in early spring followed by oval green leaves and edible red fruit, attractive to birds, in mid to late summer. The fall color is orange-red.

Reaches 6-20 feet tall

Full Sun to Partial 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.

