



Species: *Prunus virginiana*

(prue'nus ver-jin-i-ay'nah)

Chokecherry

Cultivar Information

All varieties produce, fruit which is very astringent, hence the common name. Fruit may be used in sauces, jellies and preserves, however. Fruits are very attractive to wildlife.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree < 30 feet

Height: 20' - 35' (spread 18' - 25')

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: small tree or large shrub; oval-rounded crown

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3a

Soil Ph: Can tolerate acid to alkaline soil (pH 5.0 to 8.0)

Insect Disease

VERY SUSCEPTIBLE to eastern tent caterpillar and black knot fungus. In areas where these are a problem, this plant shouldn't be used.

Bare Root Transplanting

Easy

Other

native to Canada and northern U.S.; suckers heavily

Cultivars for *Prunus virginiana*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Schubert	'Schubert' - pyramidal habit; grows to 20-30' tall; foliage emerges green in spring, gradually maturing to dark purple by early summer; white flowers in racemes in spring give way in summer to clusters of reddish fruit which mature in fall to a dark purple
Canada Red	'Canada Red' - small white flowers in hanging clusters 3-5" long are produced in spring; green leaves in the spring, which turn dark purple by mid-summer; grows to a height of 20-25' but less in spread
Boughen's Chokeless	'Boughen's Chokeless' - non-astringent fruit
Copper Schubert	'Copper Schubert' - copper leaves
Mini-Schubert	'Mini-Schubert' - compact, purple leaved form
Robert	'Robert' - red-purple leaves
Bailey Select	'Bailey Select' - oval form; vigorous; straight gun-grey trunk; foliage emerges green, matures to purple giving a two-tone effect early in the summer; large white flowers; small black fruit that attracts birds
Purple Jewel	'Purple Jewel' - hardy non-fruiting form; larger leaves than other cultivars; new growth turns a deep wine red, with gorgeous, soft, blue-mauve undersides

Photos



Prunus virginiana 'Canada Red' - Habit



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Prunus virginiana - Leaf



Prunus virginiana - Flowers



Prunus virginiana - Habit



Prunus virginiana - Flowers



Prunus virginiana - Leaves



Prunus virginiana - Flowers



Prunus virginiana - Fruit