



Species: *Aronia melanocarpa*

(ah-rone'ee-ah mel-an-o-kar'pah)

Black Chokeberry

Cultivar Information

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub 4 to 8 feet

Height: 3' - 5' (10')

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: multi-stem, suckering, upright shrub

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun

Hardy To Zone: 3b

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

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray

Environmental Other: wine red fall color; blackish-purple fruit

Insect Disease

No diseases listed

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

native to eastern U.S.; suckers profusely; a good choice for wetland reclamation sites; note this plant has black fruit but *A. arbutifolia* has red

Cultivars for *Aronia melanocarpa*

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Cultivar Name	Notes
Viking	'Viking' - glossy deep green foliage; brilliant red fall color; large black edible fruits; mid-sized cultivar (3 - 6' tall)
var. elata	var. elata - a larger plant overall and with larger individual parts (leaves, flowers, fruits)
Autumn Magic	'Autumn Magic' - more compact than the species (3 -5' tall) with improved fruit set and bright red-purple fall color
Iroquois Beauty	'Iroquois Beauty' (a.k.a. 'Morton') - dwarf form (2 - 3' tall)
Ground Hog	Dwarf, grows as thick, dense mat, 1' tall
Low Scape Hedger	Compact, narrow form; requires less maintenance than 'Viking,' good for hedges or mass planting. 3-5' tall
Low Scape Mound	Dwarf, 1-2' tall, 2' wide

Photos



Aronia melanocarpa - Leaf, Fall Interest



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Aronia melanocarpa - Bark



Aronia melanocarpa - Leaves, Fruit



Aronia melanocarpa - Leaves



Aronia melanocarpa - Leaves, Flowers



Aronia melanocarpa - Habit



Aronia melanocarpa - Leaf



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