



Species: *Clethra alnifolia*

(kleh'thrah al-ni-fo'lee-ah)

Summer Sweet Clethra

Cultivar Information

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Shrub 4 to 8 feet

Height: 4' - 8' (spreading slowly in clumps to 8')

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape:

Ornamental Other: can tolerate shady or sunny locations

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Full sun, Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 4b

Soil Ph: Requires acid (pH 5.0 to 7.0)

Salt Tolerance: Tolerates salt spray

Environmental Other: can tolerate shady or sunny locations

Insect Disease

No diseases listed

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

Native to E.North America

Cultivars for *Clethra alnifolia*Showing **1-11** of **11** items.

Cultivar Name	Notes
Paniculata	'Paniculata' - more vigorous than the species, features large panicles of fragrant flowers in August
Hummingbird	'Hummingbird' - low spreading variety with large, white flowers
Pink Spires	'Pink Spires' - rose pink buds that fade to white as they bloom
Rosea	'Rosea' - Pink buds and light pink flowers
Ruby Spice	'Ruby Spice' - rose pink flowers that do not lose color
September Beauty	'September Beauty' - Slightly more compact than species; late white flowers
Sixteen Candles	'Sixteen Candles' - particularly fragrant flowers, golden fall color
Anne Bidwell	'Anne Bidwell' - flowers larger than species; compact, to 6' tall
Creels Calico	'Creels Calico' - variable creamy white variegated foliage; white flowers; matures to 4' tall
Vanilla Spice	'Vanilla Spice' (a.k.a. 'Caleb') - Extra-large white flowers in 10-12" panicles; compact size
Crystalina	Dwarf Clethra that maintains its tight dense shape; 2.5-3' tall.

Photos



Clethra alnifolia Bark ED



Clethra alnifolia flower



Clethra alnifolia Pink Flowers ED



Clethra alnifolia full10



Clethra alnifolia Flowers ED



Clethra alnifolia full11



Clethra alnifolia Foliage ED



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