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# Shrubs & Trees

## Key

- Full sun
- ◐ Part sun/part shade
- Shade
- 🐝 Attractive to bees
- 🦉 Audubon-endorsed
- 🦋 Butterfly-friendly
- 👉 Hummingbird-friendly
- 🍃 Attractive foliage
- 🍷 Culinary
- 🌸 Edible flowers
- 🌿 Ground cover
- 🏠 Houseplant
- 🩹 Medicinal
- 📄 Minnesota native
- 🌳 Rock garden
- ❄️ Cold-sensitive: keep above 40°F
- ☹️ Toxic to humans
- 🔄 Saturday restock

See Fruit & Nuts, page 45,  
for a note about hardiness

### S001 **Abelia, Fragrant**

*Abelia mosanensis* Sweet Emotion

From Latvia, this hardy deciduous shrub has pink flowers with fragrance better than a lilac, late May through mid-June. Glossy summer foliage turns orange-red in fall. Deer- and rabbit-resistant. 5–6'h  
○●🐝👉 \$11.00—4" deep pot

### S002 **Alder, Speckled** *Alnus rugosa*

Multi-stemmed shrub or small tree with leathery, wrinkled leaves that have furry undersides. Catkins in early spring, long-lasting cones in fall attractive to birds. Prefers damp, acidic soil and grows well in heavy clay. Nitrogen-fixer. The common name "speckled" refers to the white pores that dot the smooth brown or gray bark. Larval host for the green comma butterfly. Good for erosion control along banks. Lake County, Minn. source. 15–25'h ○●🐝👉 \$12.00—3.5" deep pot

### **Arborvitae** *Thuja occidentalis*

Wonderful evergreens that are tolerant of clay soil, air pollution, and black walnuts. Protect from rabbits and deer in winter. Most are cultivars bred from our native Minnesota tree. ○●👉

**Fairy Lights**—Flat sprays of yellow spring foliage become gold-tipped for summer, then green for winter. Narrow columnar shape. 10–12'h by 2–3'w

S003 \$7.00—3" deep pot

S004 \$28.00—8" pot

**Sherwood Moss**—Dense and irregularly conical. Grows up to 12" per year. Bronzy in winter. 4–6'h

S005 \$7.00—3" deep pot

S006 \$34.00—2 gal. pot

\$12.00—4" deep pot:

S007 **Thin Man**—Fast-growing and narrow, use one as an accent or several as a screen. Holds its green color well in the winter. 12–15'h by 3–5'w

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S008 **Anna's Magic Ball**—Gold charmer that forms a neat globe. 1'h

S009 **Fluffy** *T. plicata* **NEW**—Bright yellow new growth maintains its color through winter. Burn-resistant. Tear-drop shape matures to pyramidal. 5–10'h by 3–6'w

S010 **North Pole**—Columnar with dark green winter foliage, resistant to burn. Excellent landscape plant for narrow spaces or as an accent. A selection originating at North Star Nursery in Faribault, Minn. 10–15'h by 4–5'w

\$15.00—1 gal. pot:

S011 **DeGroot's Spire**—Narrow, upright tree with fine-textured, twisty foliage. Makes a good hedge grouped or a vertical accent all by itself. Grows slowly. 8–10'h by 3'w

### S012 **Aspen, Quaking** *Populus tremuloides*

Creates some of the best wildlife habitats in the temperate world. The classic trembling leaves on narrow, conical trees. Wonderful spring fragrance as the leaf buds open. Golden fall foliage. Fast-growing and spreading by underground roots. Wright County, Minn. 40–50'h by 20–30'w ○👉 \$10.00—3.5" deep pot

### S013 **Azalea, Mandarin Lights**

*Rhododendron*

Bright orange-red, lightly scented flowers. Mid- to late-spring flowers. This hybrid azalea series was a breakthrough developed at the U of M, with flower buds hardy to –35°F. Deciduous. Acidic soil. 4–5'h

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\$39.00—3 gal. pot

### S014 **Beauty Bush** **NEW**

*Kolkwitzia amabilis* Jolene Jolene

Abundant flowers on a compact, adaptable, and care-free shrub. Small pink bells with yellow centers line arching stems in spring. Foliage changes through the year. Young leaves emerge orange-copper, then change through gold to lime green in summer, then gold and orange for fall. Requires filtered to partial shade. Prune after blooming, if needed. Peeling bark provides winter interest. 3–6'h ○●🐝👉 \$13.00—5.25" pot

### **Beautyberry** *Callicarpa*

Grown primarily for its round, iridescent lilac-violet berries in large clusters along arching branches in September and October. Loved by birds and flower-arrangers. Planting more than one shrub encourages more berries. ○🐝👉

\$8.00—1 quart pot:

S015 **Purple C.** *dichotoma*—White to light pink flowers in summer, berries in fall, and yellow autumn foliage. May die back to the ground in winter. From China, Korea, and Japan. 3–4'h

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S016 **Pearl Glam**—Purple foliage and white flowers in summer, but the wait-for-it moment is its fall display of near-neon purple-magenta berries. Reliable in Minnesota, though it dies back to the ground like a perennial, blooming and fruiting on new wood the following season. 4–5'h by 3–4'w

### S017 **Birch, Dwarf**

*Betula x plettkei* Cesky Gold

Red-orange leaves herald the arrival of spring, then welcome summer by turning yellow. Multi-stemmed to form a low mound, or can be trimmed to form a small hedge or miniature patio tree. Slow-growing. Excellent for bonsai, beautiful in summer pots, and realistic as a miniature weeping willow for miniature gardens and model railroads. Or just use it wherever you need its delicate, lacy, feathery texture. 2–4'h ○●🐝👉 \$12.00—4" deep pot

### S018 **Bladdernut, American**

*Staphylea trifolia*

Understory tree with downward-facing clusters of bell-shaped white flowers in mid-May, giving way to papery, inflated 2" brown seed pods. In fall, the ripened seeds inside the pods rattle in the wind. Pods persist into winter and are good for dried flower arrangements. Seeds can be collected in fall and eaten raw or cooked. Suckering clumps can form colonies. Wright County, Minn. source. 10–15'h ○●🐝👉 \$13.00—3.5" deep pot



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wagon...you'll be  
glad you did!

Note: Plants in the Shrubs & Trees section are grown primarily as ornamental or wildlife value, though they may have edible parts (marked with 🍷). Plants in Fruit & Nuts are grown primarily for their edible properties, though they may also be ornamental.

### **Blue Beech** *Carpinus caroliniana*

Catkins and fruits look a little like dangling Japanese pagodas—first green, then becoming yellowish brown in clusters of three-winged nutlets. The smooth greenish gray trunk eventually becomes fluted with age and seems to have muscles. Grows very slowly. This great native tree grows well in heavy soil and lower light conditions. Tolerant of most soils. Also known as muscledwood. ○●👉

\$15.00—3.5" deep pot:

S019 **Blue Beech**—Corrugated blue-green leaves with serrated edges change to red, scarlet, and orange in fall. Horticultural source. 20–35'h 🐝👉

\$26.00—1 gal. pot:

S020 **Wisconsin Red**—Corrugated blue-green leaves with serrated edges. Selected by a Wisconsin breeder for its red, orange, and yellow fall color. Best color in sun. 15–20'h by 10–15'w 🐝👉

### S021 **Boxwood**

*Buxus x 'Glencoe'* Chicagoland Green

A hybrid from the Chicago Botanical Garden selected for its rounded shape, compactness, and cold hardiness. This is the evergreen shrub you see trimmed to flat-edged hedges in formal gardens and labyrinths. Small, shiny oval leaves. Can be kept much smaller by pruning. Best sited in winter shade to avoid burning in winter. 3–4'h ○●👉 \$9.00—4" deep pot

### **Bush Honeysuckle** *Diervilla*

Excellent for massing and erosion control because it colonizes, tolerating most soils. Small yellow flowers bloom all summer. Best leaf color in sun. Attracts multiple pollinators. Deer-resistant. ○●👉

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S022 **Kodiak Fresh** **NEW**—Foliage emerges orange-red in spring, turns bright lime in summer, then orange in fall. Tolerates dry shade. 2–3'h 🐝👉

S023 **Wild Bush Honeysuckle** *D. lonicera* 🍷—Dakota County, Minn., source. 4'h 🐝👉

### **Buttonbush** *Cephalanthus occidentalis*

Attractive landscape shrub with 1–2" honey-scented white flower clusters. Upright, arching branches and glossy leaves. Good for moist soils and even standing water. ○●🐝👉

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S024 **Sugar Shack**—Long prized as a Minnesota native shrub, this down-sized selection is perfect for your garden. Fragrant spiky spheres in early summer and reddish round fruit in early fall. 3–4'h

S025 **Wild Buttonbush** *C. occidentalis* 🍷—Long bloom time as green balls transform into showy mid-summer spherical fireworks. Fall seed heads are red, subsiding to brown as they persist into winter. Mason County, Mich., source. 10–15'h 👉



Arborvitae



Buttonbush

## Hydrangea ○●👉

### **Mophead** *Hydrangea*

Large, showy flower clusters are pink unless you acidify the soil, which turns them to lavender or purple. Blooms on old and new wood, so there will still be flowers later in the summer even after severe winters. Water daily when first planted. Protect from deer. ○●

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S054 **Let's Dance Sky View** *H. macrophylla x serrata* **NEW**—Heavy show of large flowers emerge pale pink to lavender blue with a pale green eye, then lose the green eye with age. Blooms summer-early fall. Good for summer containers. 2–3'h by 2–4'w

S055 **Wee Bit Giddy**

*H. macrophylla*—Covered in big, flattened clusters of flowers, each flower is a saturated rosy red or deep purple-violet, depending on acidity, with a bright lime green center. 2'h by 3'w



Mountain hydrangea

### **Mountain** *Hydrangea serrata*

Delicate, reblooming lace cap flowers are pink (or blue in acidic soil). Only prune soon after first blooming. ○●

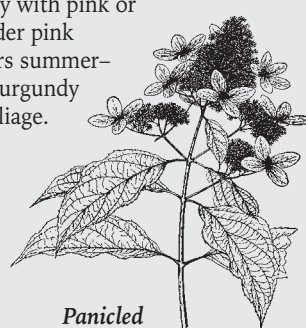
\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S056 **Tiny Tuff Stuff**—Light pink flowers, or maybe lavender blue even without acidification. 2'h

S057 **Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha**—Flower clusters the size of dinner plates starting in early summer. Its double light pink flowers have pointed petals that mature to deep pink. 2–3'h

S058 **Tuff Stuff Top Fun** **NEW**—Blooms

heavily with pink or lavender pink flowers summer-fall. Burgundy fall foliage. 2–3'h



Panicked hydrangea

### **Panicked** *Hydrangea paniculata*

Showy, conical flower clusters on arching branches that drape gracefully. Because it blooms on new wood, there are flowers even after the harshest winters. If needed, prune late winter to early spring. Flower color is not affected by soil acidity. ○●🐝

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S059 **Fire Light**—Creamy white, turning deep pomegranate red toward fall. Long-blooming, low-maintenance, and super hardy. 4–6'h

S060 **Fire Light Tidbit**—Covered with big green-tinged white flower clusters in summer which age to pink, then red. Brightly colored foliage in fall. Neatly mounded. 2–3'h

S061 **Little Lime Punch**—Egg-shaped flower clusters emerge lime green but change to white, then pink, then red from the bottom of the cluster up so that all colors are present at the same time. Summer bloom. 3–5'h

S062 **Puffer Fish** **NEW**—Covered in large clusters of fluffy white flowers that age to lime green with a new tuft of white flowers at the cluster tips. 3.5'h

### **Panicked continued**

\$15.00—5.25" pot (continued):

S063 **Quick Fire Fab**—Loosely textured, big white flower clusters in summer turn to blush, then watermelon pink, then red as the nights turn cool. Colors change from the bottom of the cluster up. Very early bloom time means three or more months of flowers. 6–8'h by 5–6'w

### **Snowball** *Hydrangea arborescens*

Large spherical clusters of flowers in late spring, lasting though summer and fall. Flower color is not affected by soil acidity. Good for dried arrangements or winter displays. Prune before growth starts in spring for a shapely plant and larger flowers. ○●🐝👉

\$16.00—5.25" pot:

S064 **Incrediball Blush**—Huge, flattened clusters of light to medium pink flowers in summer change to green with age. Sturdy stems mean no flopping. 4–5'h

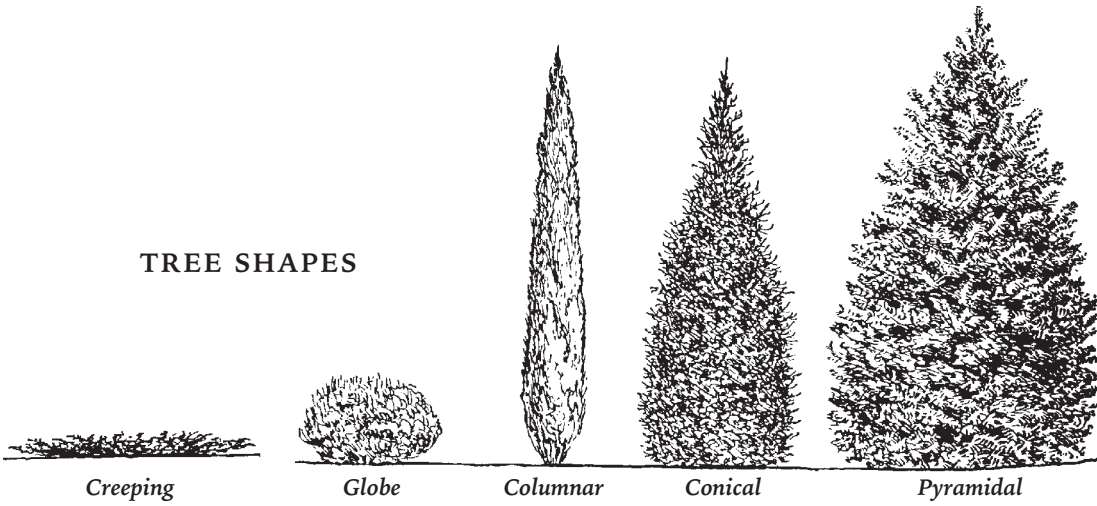
S065 **Invincibelle Sublime** **NEW**—Pale jade green flowers on strong stems. 3.5–5'h

See also HYDRANGEA, CLIMBING,  
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Shrub and tree widths are similar to their heights unless noted otherwise.

## TREE SHAPES



### Cardinal Bush *Weigela*

Popular shrub grown for its funnel-shaped flowers in late spring. Easy maintenance. ○●☞☞☞

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S026 **Czechmark Trilogy** *W. florida*—Flowers start out white, flow to pink, and deepen to red, all three colors at once on the plant. Bred in the Czech Republic, and noted for hardiness and extra-large flowers. 3–3.5'h

S027 **Midnight Sun** *W. florida*—Looking for fall leaf color even in the summer? Then this plant is for you! Red, orange, yellow, and green foliage early summer to fall. Small pink flowers. 1–1.5'h ☞

S028 **Midnight Wine Shine** *W. florida*—Glossy dark purple foliage is the darkest yet. Bright pink flowers are some of the first to bloom in spring. 1–1.5'h by 2–2.5'w

S029 **Sonic Bloom Pure Pink** *W. florida*—Deep pink buds open to light pink flowers with darker pink throats. Vase-shaped plant, with flowers from top to bottom. Blooms late spring to fall with a slight break midsummer. 3–5'h

S030 **Spilled Wine** *W. florida*—Wavy dark red leaves complement the hot pink-magenta flowers in spring and fall. 2'h by 3–4'w

S031 **Wine and Spirits** *W. florida* **NEW**—Bright white flowers emerge from light green buds, then shine against deep burgundy leaves. Mounded. 3–5'h

### Chokeberry, Black *Aronia melanocarpa*

White flowers with yellow to pink centers in spring and clusters of showy purple-black fruit from September through winter. Foliage turns brilliant red in fall. Berries are high in antioxidants; good for tart juice and jelly. Thrives in almost any soil. ○●☞☞☞

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S032 **Ground Hug** **NEW**—Tidy ground cover mat for slopes or hard-to-reach places. Selection of the native plant. 1'h by 3'w ☞

S033 **Wild Black Chokeberry** ☞—Upright and vase-shaped. Can be used for a native hedge, in rain gardens, or in naturalized areas. Prune, if necessary, in late winter. Mason County, Mich., source. 6–8'h by 5'w ☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞

S034 **Chokecherry** *Prunus virginiana* ☞

Long clusters of white blossoms are followed by red fruit, ripening to dark black-purple. In spite of the name, the fruit makes excellent jam or syrup. Can be grown as a dense hedge. Good in most soils. Mason County, Mich., source. 20'h by 6'w ○☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞

S035 **Crabapple** **NEW**

### *Malus x adstringens* Emerald Spire

Fragrant fuchsia-pink blossoms on a slow-growing columnar tree with small, persistent fruit and good disease resistance. Suitable for small gardens, narrow spaces, and city locations. Very hardy, from the Canadian prairie. The spring flowers are followed by dangling, clustered fruits that soften into the winter, providing food for cedar waxwings and other birds. 15–20'h by 6'w ○☞ \$99.00—5 gal. pot

S036 **Cranberry, American Highbush** ☞  
*Viburnum trilobum*

White flower clusters in spring. Red berries persist into winter. Flowers are good for butterflies, while the berries are excellent winter food for wildlife. Mason County, Mich., source. 8–12'h ○●☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞

### Cypress, False *Chamaecyparis pisifera*

Slow-growing, ferny evergreen. Deer-resistant. 6–10'h by 5–6'w ○●☞☞

\$13.00—5.25" pot:

S037 **Soft Serve**—Patience rewarded the breeder who coaxed this unusual sport to consistently produce its exceptionally soft, fern-like branches. Needles are bright green on top and blue underneath. Pyramidal shape.

S038 **Soft Serve Gold**—Stays golden all year. Pyramidal shape. ☞

### S039 Cypress, Russian

#### *Microbiota decussata* Celtic Pride

Very hardy and resistant to tip die-back. Low, dense evergreen. Light green foliage turns bronze in winter. Excellent for shade. Once established will tolerate dry conditions. 1–3'h by 3–5'w ○●☞☞☞☞

\$14.00—5.25" pot

### S040 Dogwood, Bloodtwig

#### *Cornus sanguinea* Arctic Sun

Yellow stems tipped in red provide unique winter interest. Small white flowers in spring, yellow-orange leaves in fall. A northern classic, great for winter interest with its colorful branches. Youngest twigs are the most vibrant, so pruning branches thicker than your thumb in March will keep winter color at its brightest. 3–4'h ○●☞☞

\$12.00—5.25" pot

### S041 Dogwood, Pagoda

#### *Cornus alternifolia* Golden Shadows

Iridescent yellow-green leaves, broadly edged in yellow. The foliage turns a reddish purple shade in fall. Prized for its horizontally layered branching structure, which accounts for its common name. Flat 3–4" clusters of fragrant white flowers in spring. Fruits are small blue-black berries that add considerable color in summer as they mature and are much appreciated by songbirds. Best in filtered shade and moist soil, but great fall color in sunny spots. Short-lived for a shrub; self-seeds. Cultivar of a Minnesota native species. 10–12'h by 6–8'w ○●☞☞☞☞☞

\$15.00—4" deep pot

### Dogwood, Red Twig *Cornus sericea*

A northern classic, great for winter interest with its red branches. Youngest twigs are the brightest, so pruning branches thicker than your thumb in March will keep winter color vibrant. ○●☞☞☞

\$13.00—5.25" pot:

S042 **Arctic Fire**—Compact with four-season interest. Clusters of small white flowers in spring, followed by burgundy berries in summer, red leaves in fall, and intensely red twigs in winter. 3–4'h

S043 **Arctic Fire Yellow**—Clusters of small white flowers in the spring, followed by white berries in the summer, red leaves in fall, and intensely yellow twigs in the winter. 4–5'h

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S044 **Wild Red Twig Dogwood** ☞—White flowers and green leaves. Rounded shape. Mason County, Mich. source. 8–10'h ☞☞☞☞☞

### Dogwood, Siberian *Cornus*

Creamy white flowers in late spring followed by white berries. ○●☞☞

\$8.00—3" deep pot:

S045 **Garden Glow** *C. hessei* **NEW**—Bright chartreuse-yellow summer foliage flushes with rose and burgundy in fall. Best color in light shade to dappled sun. Red stems are revealed for the winter after the leaves fall. Multi-stemmed mound that can be pruned back in the early spring. Adaptable and grows quickly. 4–5'h

\$15.00—1 gal. pot:

S046 **Bud's Yellow** *C. alba*—Stems are bright yellow and resistant to canker and stem dieback. Yellow fall color. 5–8'h ☞

### Elderberry *Sambucus*

Excellent foliage plants stand out in the landscape. Cut to the ground in spring to help improve their shape, but because the plants bloom on old wood, pruning in spring will come at the expense of flowers and fruit. Leaves and stems are poisonous, but not the berries, which are good for wildlife. Deer-resistant. ○●☞☞

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

S047 **Black Lace** *S. niger*—Intense purple-black foliage is finely lobed, giving it an effect similar to Japanese maple. Pink spring flowers are followed by blackish red fall berries that can be harvested or left on the plant to attract birds and wildlife. Full sun for best color. Can be pruned back for more formal settings. 6–8'h ☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞☞

### Elderberry continued

\$15.00—5.25" pot (continued):

S048 **Laced Up** *S. nigra*—Lacy near-black foliage for three seasons. Fuzzy pink flowers in early summer on a narrowly upright plant. If another variety is nearby (like Black Lace), it will produce black fruits. Light citrusy floral scent. 6–10'h by 3–5'w ☞☞

S049 **Lemony Lace** *S. racemosa*—Very deeply lobed chartreuse leaves with red-tinged new growth. Small white flowers in spring produce red fruit in fall (consumption not recommended of this species). Looks like a trunkless Japanese maple with its airy fine-textured foliage. 3–5'h

### Forsythia *Forsythia*

The classic spring-blooming shrub with yellow flowers lining arched branches in April. Named for the Scottish botanist William Forsyth, who was the superintendent of Kensington Gardens in London and a founder of the Royal Horticultural Society. Deer-resistant. ○●

\$14.00—1 gal. pot:

S050 **Northern Gold**—Developed in Canada, this variety is among the hardiest of this classic yellow harbinger of spring. 6–8'h

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S051 **Show Off Sugar Baby**—Deep yellow flowers from base to tip of the branches bloom in early spring. Easy to grow, tolerating any pH, clay soil, and air pollution. Drought-tolerant once established and seldom needs pruning. 2–3'h by 1.5–2.5'w

### S052 Fringetree, White

#### *Chionanthus virginicus*

Slow-growing U.S. native that is especially beautiful in spring when profuse white flowers appear before the foliage. Blue-black fruit may follow in the summer. Yellow fall color. 6–8'h ○●☞☞

\$28.00—1 gal. pot

### S053 Ginkgo *Ginkgo biloba* Mariken

Shrubby dwarf variety, suitable for small gardens or even for bonsai. Spreading, somewhat weeping shape. Very slow growth, about 3–6" a year. This variety produces no (smelly) fruit. Fan-shaped leaves turn brilliant gold in fall. An excellent urban tree, tolerating deer and air pollution. Often called a fossil tree, since it is the last of its kind. 2–3'h ○●☞☞

\$79.00—2 gal. pot

### Hydrangea see box, page 48

### Juniper *Juniperus*

Evergreen, deer-resistant landscape shrubs. Easy to grow, withstanding cold, heat, drought, road salt, and air pollution. ○●

\$10.00—3" deep pot:

S066 **Mint Julep** *J. x pfizeriana*—Arching branches. Good for bonsai, topiary, or a hedge. 4–6'h by 4–8'w

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

S067 **Gin Fizz** *J. chinensis*—Abundant pale green and blue berries on a dark green cone-shaped tree. 10–18'h by 7–10'w

S068 **Tortuga** *J. communis*—Mound of jade green foliage. In Spanish, "tortuga" means "turtle." 2'h by 2–4'w

### S069 Juniper, Spreading

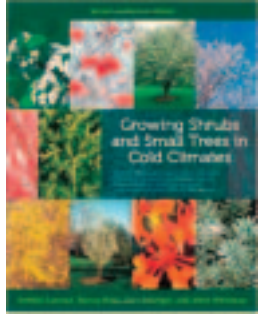
#### *Juniperus procumbens nana* Japanese Dwarf

Slow-growing, spiny blue-green needles hug the ground. New growth is bright green, foliage may turn purple in fall. Popular for bonsai. RHS Award of Garden Merit. From Japan. Useful as a ground cover and tolerant of deer, rabbits, drought, and slope. 1'h by 6'w ○●☞☞

\$13.00—1 gal. pot

### About those stars...

Throughout this section, you will notice trees and shrubs that are marked with four or five stars (★★★★). These plants have been noted by Lonnee, Rose, Selinger, and Whitman in the 2011 edition of *Growing Shrubs and Small Trees in Cold Climates* as some of the very best plants available on the market.



Chokeberry



Juniper

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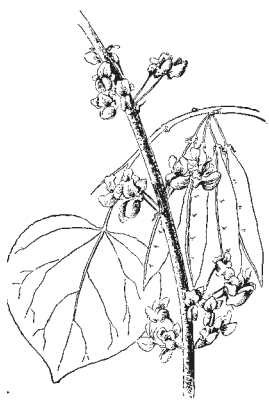


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## Korean Spicebush *Viburnum carlesii*

Dense flower heads, up to 3" across, are light pink changing to white with outstanding vanilla fragrance. Colorful berries if a different Korean spicebush variety is nearby to pollinize. Burgundy fall color. Deer-resistant. ○●🍯

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

- S070 **Spice Baby**—At last, a compact variety for small spaces that keeps all the charm of larger ones. Red spring buds followed by light pink to white flowers. Red berries. 3.5–5'h
- S071 **Spice Girl** **NEW**—Vigorous grower with blush white flowers. Red berries in fall. 6–7'h

## S072 Larch, Siberian *Larix sibirica* **NEW**

Lacy, needle-like light green leaves turn bright yellow in fall before leaf drop. Fruiting and pollenizing cones are separate on the same tree. Large, fast-growing, extremely cold-tolerant deciduous conifer native to northern Europe and Asia. Sometimes used for lumber due to density and rot-resistance of the wood. Resin may be chewed as gum. Low-maintenance, deer-resistant, but intolerant of urban pollution. 80'h by 20–30'w \$17.00—1 gal. pot

## Lilac *Syringa*

Nothing says spring in Minnesota like fragrant lilacs. Prune flower clusters as needed immediately after blooming. Long-lived and easy to grow. Deer-resistant. ○🍯🦋

\$14.00—1 gal. pot:

- S073 **Late-Blooming S. villosa**—Buds open several weeks later than common lilac, with abundant rosy lavender clusters up to 8" long and sweetly fragrant. 6–12'h

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

- S074 **Baby Kim**—This smallest lilac grows in a neat mound. Purple buds become lavender and light lavender flowers. 2–3'h

\$16.00—5.25" pot:

- S075 **Bloomerang Dark Purple**—Reblooming dwarf lilac produces purple-pink flowers from deep purple buds in spring and, after a rest period during the heat of summer, blooms again. It comes back, as its name says. Deer-resistant. Good fragrance and mildew resistance. 3–4'h

- S076 **Bloomerang Dwarf Pink**—2.5–3'h

- S077 **Bloomerang Purpink S. x pubescens** **NEW**—One of the most prolific rebloomers, with pink, purple, and purple-pink flowers all at once. Vigorous but compact. Mildew-resistant. 3–5'h by 2–3'w

- S078 **Scंतरara Double Blue S. x hyacinthiflora**—Early bloomer with lush, fully double blue-lavender flowers. Bred for fragrance. Compact and rounded, with good resistance to mildew. 6–8'h

- S079 **Scंतरara Pura S. x hyacinthiflora**—Abundant dark mulberry buds open to bright lavender. 4–6'h

\$28.00—2 gal. pot:

- S080 **Beauty of Moscow S. vulgaris** **NEW**—Double florets in shades of white to blush pink on highly fragrant 8" flower clusters in May. 1943 introduction, resistant to powdery mildew. 8–12'h by 6–7'w

- S081 **Donald Wyman S. prestoniae**—Purple-lavender buds open to reddish lavender flowers on large pyramidal spikes two weeks later than common lilac. Non-suckering. \*\*\*\* 8–10'h

- S082 **Sensation S. vulgaris**—Large trusses of very showy purplish-red florets, each sharply edged in white in late May. Very hardy hybrid of the common lilac. 8–15'h by 6–12'w



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## Magnolia *Magnolia*

These northern-hardy magnolias need rich, well-drained soil. Most varieties bloom in early to mid-spring, with leaves emerging after flowers fade. Water frequently in hot, dry weather. ○●

\$61.00—5 gal. pot:

- S083 **Jane M. liliiflora x M. stellata**—Blooms late in the spring (avoiding frosts), then intermittently through summer and into early fall. Tulip-shaped flowers are deep pink to purple on the outside and pure white inside. Light fragrance. Grows best in full morning sun and part shade in the afternoon. 20'h by 15–30'w

\$90.00—2 gal. pot:

- S084 **Spring Welcome** **NEW**—White 3–4" semi-double flowers bloom from pale pink buds, even after early spring frosts. Yellow-green to bronze fall foliage. Makes a dense, multi-stemmed shrub or can be pruned into a small specimen tree. Fragrant. From the NDSU breeding program in North Dakota. 15–20'h

- S085 **Sunsation**—Yellow 6" flowers have a rosy pink blush towards the base. Blooms a bit later than other magnolias, saving the buds from the risk of late frosts. Pyramidal shape. By Roy G. Klehm of Wisconsin. 25–30'h by 15–20'w

## S086 Maple, Japanese

### *Acer palmatum* *Atropurpureum*

Red to red-purple leaves turn bright red in fall. Exquisite in both color and shape, this ornamental is great in a large summer pot or as a focal point in the garden. Protect from winter wind and sun for outdoor success in Minnesota, or bring indoors. 15–20'h ○●🍯 \$15.00—3.5" deep pot

## S087 Maple, Korean

### *Acer pseudosieboldianum*

Elegant tree that resembles the coveted Japanese maple, but is reliably hardy here. Multi-stemmed with fingered leaves in vibrant shades of yellow, orange, and red in fall. Attractive clusters of small greenish white flowers with burgundy bracts. Moist soil. \*\*\*\* 15–25'h by 15'w ○● \$15.00—3" deep pot

## Mockorange *Philadelphus coronarius*

The common name refers to the captivating citrus fragrance of the flowers. Makes a good, low maintenance hedge. Its Latin name means "brotherly love." ○●

\$14.00—5.25" pot:

- S088 **Illuminati Arch**—Very double white flowers in early summer and robust, crinkly leaves. Arching shape. Blooms on old wood. 4'h by 2'w

- S089 **Illuminati Tower**—Branches that grow up instead of out create four-sided "towers" covered with sweet-smelling single white flowers in early summer. 3–4'h by 1.5'w 🍯

## Ninebark *Physocarpus opulifolius*

Maple-like leaves on arching stems. A shrub for year-round interest, including peeling strips of bark in winter. Blooms June–July, followed by interesting seed pods. Best with protection from the hottest sun. A Minnesota native shrub with many cultivars. ○●🍯

\$14.00—1 gal. pot:

- S090 **Dart's Gold**—Excellent contrast shrub with bright yellow-green foliage and showy clusters of white flowers in summer. 5'h

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

- S091 **Ginger Wine**—Spring leaves emerge orange and turn burgundy. Clusters of white flowers open from deep pink buds. Red seed heads. 5–6'h

- S092 **Summer Wine Black**—Dark purple-black foliage with pink-tinged white flowers. Dramatic accent plant. 5–6'h

## S093 Oak, Bur *Quercus macrocarpa*

Known for its wide, open crown and massive trunk. Its large sweet acorns in their fringed cups are an important wildlife food and the tastiest acorn for people: roast the acorns like chestnuts. Grows from the savanna of southeastern Minnesota to its far north. Many moth species use oaks for larval food. So adaptable it's happy Alaska to Texas. Slow-growing, long-lived, and drought-resistant. Good drainage. Manitoba source. 60–80'h by 60'w ○●🍯🦋 \$32.00—2 gal. pot

## S094 Pussy Willow *Salix discolor*

A multi-stemmed shrub that often blooms before the snow melts and before its own leaves are out. Fuzzy gray catkins gradually turn yellow with pollen. Grows well in moist places other shrubs don't like. The flowers provide one of the first spring nectar sources for many insects. Horticultural source. 20–25'h ○●🍯🦋 \$26.00—2 gal. pot

See also WILLOW, page 51

## Redbud *Cercis canadensis* Minnesota Strain

One of the first trees to bloom, in some years as early as mid-April. Showy bundles of half-inch blossoms cover its dark branches before it leafs out. It's like a swirling cloud of rosy pink floating above the multi-stemmed trunk. Heart-shaped leaves turn warm yellow in fall. This cultivar was selected for hardiness at the U of M Landscape Arboretum. 20–30'h by 25–35'w \*\*\*\* ○●🍯 S095 \$15.00—3.5" deep pot S096 \$60.00—2 gal. pot



Rhododendron

Rhododendrons and azaleas need acid soil.

Rhododendrons keep their leaves in winter.

Azaleas do not. Mulch to protect their shallow roots from drying.

## Rhododendron *Rhododendron*

Early-blooming shrubs with evergreen leaves. Acidic soil. ○●🍯

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

- S097 **Black Hat**—Dark purple foliage and a much longer bloom period make this an improvement on the standard hardy rhododendron, with the same glorious rose-violet flowers. 3'h

- S098 **Dandy Man Color Wheel** **NEW**—First bright red buds, then ruffly blossoms with light pink uppers, deep pink undersides. Blossoms later turn pure white, all colors present at the same time. Good heat resistance. 4–8'h

- S099 **Dandy Man Pink**—Clusters of bell-shaped pink flowers with dark pink speckles. Good heat tolerance. Formerly known as Handy Man Pink. 6–8'h

- S100 **Dandy Man Purple**—Lush deep purple blossoms. Good heat tolerance. Formerly known as Handy Man Purple. 6–8'h

Roses see box, page 51

## S133 Seven Sons Tree

### *Heptacodium miconioides* Temple of Bloom

Larger flower clusters and deeper red flower look-alikes than the species. Attractive reddish brown bark peels away in narrow strips to reveal pale brown inner bark. After blooming, each flower's base (its calyx) turns red and extends, resembling flowers with red petals, lasting until November. Large clusters of jasmine-scented white flowers in whorls in September when few other shrubs bloom. Each contains six tiny flowers around a central knob (in bud, these look like seven little heads). A multi-stemmed shrub that can be trained as a tree. Native to China, but quite rare. Best in a protected spot. 8–10'h ○🍯🦋 \$17.00—5.25" pot

## Smokebush *Cotinus coggyria*

After the tiny June flowers have bloomed, their many filaments form showy pink 6–8" plumes of "smoke" through September. Open spreading shrub with oval leaves. ○●

\$16.00—5.25" pot:

- S134 **The Velvet Fog**—Abundant, large reddish pink puffs contrast with bluish green foliage. Blooms midsummer. 5–8'h by 6'w

- S135 **Winecraft Black**—Purple leaves in spring darken to almost black in the summer and then welcome fall by turning red and orange. Rounded shape and relatively compact size make this a good plant for urban gardens. 4–6'h 🍯

## Snowberry *Symphoricarpos*

An upright, arching shrub that gradually forms a thicket by underground stems. Very hardy, adaptable, and easy. Prune back to 12" in early spring for best fruit display. Branches with berries make an unusual cut "flower." Deer-resistant. ○🍯🦋

\$15.00—5.25" pot:

- S136 **Proud Berry**—Clusters of tiny pink-tinted white flowers in summer are followed by the real show: waxy pink half-inch berries that stay on the bare branches into winter, providing food for birds. 3–4'h

- S137 **Wild Red Snowberry S. orbiculatus** 🍯—Native with purple-red berries that persist through the winter. Flowers are yellow-white, flushed with rose June–July. Good for erosion control. Tolerant of moist soils, also. Wild seed from Dakota County, Minn. 3–5'h by 4–8'w 🍯

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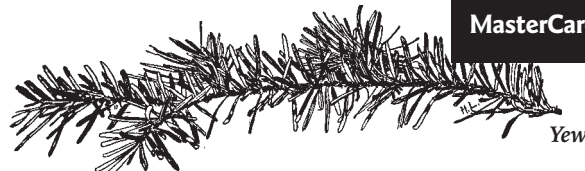
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## Snowberry continued

\$15.00—5.25" pot (continued):

S138 **Wild White Snowberry** *S. albus* 🌿—White berries in fall. Good for erosion control. Dakota County, Minn., source. 3–6'h 🌿

## S139 **Spirea, Ash Leaf**

**Sorbaria sorbifolia** Mr. Mustard

Long-lasting leaves in bright colors including yellow, white, orange, and pinkish red that mellow to green. Adaptable. Makes a fine low hedge or accent plant with sumac-shaped leaves and vertical white flower clusters through summer. Elegant, space-saving, and beautiful. Deer-resistant. 2–3'h 🌿🌿🌿🌿 \$14.00—5.25" pot

## S140 **Spruce, Bird's Nest**

**Picea abies** *nidiformis*

Flat-topped with a hollow center, this spruce looks just like its name. Slow-growing and extremely hardy, this is a good choice for adding year-round structure to your garden. The lush, bright green branches will keep the garden looking alive all winter. Excellent for bonsai. 2–4'h by 4–6'w 🌿 \$18.00—1 gal. pot

## S141 **Sumac, Fragrant** 🌿

**Rhus aromatica** Gro-Low

Glossy dark green foliage and superb orange-red fall color. Profuse tiny yellow flowers. Good for slopes. A low-maintenance ground cover that works well in all types of soil. Cultivar of a native Minnesota shrub. \*\*\*\* 1–2'h 🌿🌿 \$15.00—5.25" pot

## S142 **Sumac, Staghorn**

**Rhus typhina** Tiger Eyes

Gold cultivar of cutleaf staghorn sumac, a Minnesota native. New growth is bright chartreuse, quickly changing to yellow, both colors contrasting nicely with its rosy pink leaf stems. Fall color is yellow, orange, and intense scarlet. Colony-forming, with spreading underground roots, so it's good for natural screening and prevention of soil erosion. Give it enough room or plant with root barriers. Rated by the Xerces Society as "special value to native bees." Extra-hardy. 6–8'h 🌿🌿 \$33.00—2 gal. pot

## S143 **Summersweet**

**Clethra alnifolia** Hummingbird

Creamy white 4–6" flower spikes on a compact shrub. Blooms more abundantly than other varieties and suckers less. Fragrant bottlebrush flowers late summer to fall, with color and pollen when few other plants are in bloom. Multi-stemmed, round plants with deep green leaves turning yellow in fall. Seed heads provide winter interest and food for birds. Likes damp feet and acidic soil. Can tolerate full shade. Will sucker. 3–4'h by 4–5'w 🌿🌿🌿 \$18.00—8" pot

## S144 **Sweetfern** *Comptonia peregrina*

Fragrant deep green, fern-like foliage makes very nice tea. The flowers are catkins followed by fruits that look like green burs. Not a fern, despite the name. Grows well in sand and spreads if it likes the location. Wind-pollinated shrub that doesn't attract bees or butterflies, but it is an extremely popular host plant for a wide variety of caterpillars: geometer moths, miner moths, dagger moths, underwings, saturniid, hawk and sphinx moths. Horticultural source. 2–3'h by 4–6'w 🌿🌿🌿 \$32.00—1 gal. pot

## S145 **Sweetshrub**

**Calycanthus floridus** Simply Scentsational

Waterlily-shaped burgundy flowers with a strong, fruity fragrance line up in pairs along the stems. Blooms late spring to midsummer. Seed capsules provide winter interest. Glossy, dark green leaves and yellow fall foliage. 6'h by 4–5'w 🌿🌿 \$16.00—5.25" pot

## S146 **Willow, Dappled**

**Salix integra** Flamingo

Leaves are variegated with white all summer. Red stems in winter. Similar to Hakuro Nishiki, but more upright, with smaller leaves, and more red in the branches and new growth. Showy white, green, and pink foliage makes the tree look as though it's in bloom in spring. Can be trained to a standard to make a nice "lollipop" tree. 6–8'h 🌿 \$23.00—2 gal. pot

See also PUSSYWILLOW, page 50

## Winterberry *Ilex verticillata*

Upright, rounded, slow-growing shrubs with glossy dark foliage and white flowers. Good in foundation plantings and hedges. Excellent for wet soils. These are cultivars of a Minnesota native. Deer-resistant. Note: Both pollenizing and fruiting plants are needed to get berries, but you need only one pollenizer for up to 20 fruiting plants. Plant within 40' for best fruit set. 3–4'h 🌿🌿

\$13.00—5.25" pot:

S147 **Berry Poppins**—Dwarf, upright shrub with loads of red fruits that persist through winter. 🌿

S148 **Mr. Poppins**—A compact pollenizer with the same white flowers as the fruiting plants.

## S149 **Wintercreeper, Variegated**

**Euonymus** *Canadale* Gold

Bright green leaves with a gold edge turn pink-red in cold weather. Colorful evergreen forms a dense mound. 4'h 🌿🌿 \$8.00—2.5" pot

## **Yew** *Taxus x media*

A great landscape shrub that is adaptable and easy to grow. The best evergreen for shade. Does not like wet soil. 🌿🌿🌿

\$13.00—5.25" pot:

S150 **Stonehenge**—Fast-growing, slender column that stays in shape. 8–10'h by 3–6'w

S151 **Stonehenge Dark Druid**—Tight, round shrub that can be used like a boxwood, even in shade. 3–4'h by 2.5–3'w



# Roses *Rosa* 🌿🌿🌿🌿

All are on their own root and need full sun unless marked with the part sun symbol.

## Climbing Roses

The upright canes of these roses can be trained to a trellis or allowed to ramble or spill over a wall.

S101 **Above and Beyond**—This rose gives Minnesotans a new color choice in climbers. The orange flower buds open to apricot semi-double or double flowers with a mild spicy scent. Blooms mid- to late spring with occasional repeat flowers in summer. The canes have excellent hardiness. Developed by Dr. David Zlesak at the University of Wisconsin, River Falls. 10–14'h \$30.00—2 gal. pot

S102 **John Cabot**—Blooms from early summer until frost in a range of shades from orchid-pink to fuchsia-red. Orange hips. From the Canadian Explorer series. 5–9'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S103 **John Davis**—Medium pink climber with red canes. Spicy scent. Repeat bloomer from the Canadian Explorer series. 6–8'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S104 **Rise Up Amerness** (NEW)—Buttery amber-colored flowers bloom all summer without deadheading. Very fragrant. Can be pruned to be a shrub. 3–5'h by 2–3'w \$15.00—5.25" pot

S105 **Rise Up Lilac Days**—Unusual pink-lavender color for a climber. Semi-double 3–5" flowers bloom in flushes starting in midsummer with five to 10 flowers on each stem. Fragrant and nearly thornless. Also called Lilac Bouquet. 5–8'h by 2–4'w \$15.00—5.25" pot

## Modern Shrub Roses

Modern shrub roses (which means varieties that came into cultivation since 1867) are long-lived.

S106 **At Last**—Clusters of double flowers start out sunset pink-orange and become a paler shade. Continuous bloom with dead-heading. Fragrant and easy. 2.5–3'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S107 **Aurora Borealis** (NEW)—Clusters of coral pink flowers. Low-maintenance and Canada-bred, from the Vineland 49th Parallel program. 3'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S108 **Campfire**—Ever-changing mixture of soft yellow and pink. Continuous bloomer from early summer until hard frost. 2–3'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S109 **Chinook Sunrise**—A new rose from the Vineland Research and Innovation Centre in Ontario with abundant flowers that start deep coral and get lighter as they open, ending a pale pink. Repeat blooms in different stages for a kaleidoscope of color. Very cold-hardy. 4–5'h \$30.00—2 gal. pot

S110 **Emily Carr**—Semi-double dark red 3" flowers. Bushy, fast-growing, and repeat-blooming. From the Canadian Artists series, it honors Emily Carr, an early 20th century Canadian painter who often chose Native American (Haida) subjects. 3'h by 4'w \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S111 **Flavorette Honey Apricot** (NEW)—Bred for good eating and vigor, the lush peach-colored petals have a sweet fruity flavor. Use in salads, sweets, smoothies, or whatever else you can think of. Blooms through summer. From Serbia, this is the first in a planned series of edible roses. 3–4'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S112 **Julia Child**—Magnificent butter yellow double flowers. Strong, sweet licorice scent from late spring to early summer. Compact plant with dark green, glossy foliage. A tantalizing tribute to a great chef. Heat-tolerant. 4'h \$11.00—4" deep pot

S113 **Marmalade Dream**—Peachy orange. Bred in Manitoba. 3'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S114 **Morden Centennial**—Clusters of fragrant, double, cupped 6" flowers in pure pink from summer into fall. Persistent large bright orange-red hips for winter visual interest. Vase-shaped. 3–4'h by 6'w \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S115 **Never Alone**—Petite shrub rose from Morden, Manitoba. Full 2" flowers with wide magenta-red edges blending to white toward the center. Part of the sale price go to support cancer patients and their families. 2'h by 1'w \$19.00—1 gal. pot

## Modern Shrub Roses continued

S116 **Oscar Peterson**—Semi-double white flowers punctuated by yellow stamens. Rebloomer. Great for the extreme north from the Canadian Artists series. 3'h \$19.00—1 gal. pot

S117 **Oso Easy Double Red**—Rosy red double flowers with orange undertones in summer. Rounded shape. 3–4'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S118 **Oso Easy Italian Ice**—Orange buds open to yellow petals trimmed with pale pink. Has a nice mounded shape and blooms profusely with no need for deadheading. 1–3'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S119 **Oso Easy Lemon Zest**—Canary yellow flowers keep their color and stand out against glossy leaves. Lots of buds. Doesn't need deadheading and only needs minimal pruning. Prefers moist, well-drained soils. 1–3'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S120 **Reminiscent Coral** (NEW)—Old-fashioned romantic-style roses with classic fragrance. Developed for winter hardiness in Serbia and new to the U.S. market. Beautiful cut flowers. Blooms all summer without deadheading. Masses of coral-pink petals around a copper center. Fully double. 2–3.5'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S121 **Reminiscent Crema** (NEW)—Palest possible yellow flowers with light yellow toward the center. Fully double. 1.5–3'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S122 **Reminiscent Pink**—Fully double light pink. 3–4'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S123 **Ringo**—Opens yellow with a red ring around the center and changes to light yellow and then white with pink around the center. All colors at once. Reblooms. 3–4'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S124 **Ringo All-Star**—Red and light orange petals turn pink and lavender. Continuous bloom means you have all these colors at once. The Royal Horticulture Society Rose of the Year in 2015, but new to the U.S. 2–3'h 🌿 \$15.00—5.25" pot

S125 **Ringo Double Pink** (NEW)—Pale pink semi-double flowers have yellow centers surrounded by burgundy and pink rings. 2–3'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S126 **Sunorita**—Flowers open orange and then transform into rich hues of gold and yellow as they widen and mature. Continuous blooming. Formerly Sunsay. 3–4'h \$15.00—5.25" pot

S127 **Yukon Sun** (NEW)—Yellow double flowers bloom continuously on this newest introduction from the Vineland 49th Parallel program in Canada. 3'h 🌿 \$19.00—1 gal. pot

## Northern Accents Roses

A University of Minnesota series, not available for several years but now back in limited production.

Blooms from late spring through fall in three to four flushes of clustered 1.5–2" flowers. Lightly fragrant and excellent for cutting. Foliage remains glossy all season. Polyantha type. Prune in late winter. 3'h

\$34.00—2 gal. pot:

S128 **Lena**—White singles with blush pink edges, like large apple blossoms.

S129 **Ole**—Ivory pink doubles turn to white.

S130 **Sigrid**—Hot pink to dark magenta cupped doubles.

S131 **Sven**—Violet pink semi-doubles reveal white at the center and yellow stamens.

## Wild Rose *Rosa blanda*

S132 Pink 2–3" flowers with scalloped edges and yellow centers bloom June and July. Penny-sized bright red rose hips persist through winter unless eaten by wildlife. Minnesota's most common native rose. Nearly thornless stems may form large thickets over time. Host plant for the apple sphinx moth caterpillar. Also known as meadow rose and smooth rose. Upper Midwest source. 4–7'h by 1–2'w 🌿🌿🌿🌿 \$19.00—1 gal. pot

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