

Common Name: Serviceberry

Scientific Name: *Amalanchier alnifolia*

Sun Exposure: Prefers full sun

Average Size: Size varies, ranges from 10-25 feet tall

Moisture: Prefers dry to moist conditions

Elevation: Low to middle elevations

Soils: Well drained, dry coarse to sandy soils

Shape: Finely spreading shrub with many stems, branches opposite, lower branches often lying on the ground and rooting freely.

Foliage: Alternate deciduous, thin to round to oval shaped leaves

Flower: White, large (1-2.5 cm across) 5 petals, showy, leafy cluster of 3-20, Fragrant flowers appear from April through May.

Fruit: Dull-red at first becoming purple to nearly black, berry-like pomes (like miniature apples) with a white bloom, edible and sweet.

Notes:

- Also known as “Saskatoon”
- Provides important winter browsing for deer and elk
- Many wild bird species feed on the berries in August

