Prince Charles Serviceberry

Amelanchier laevis 'Prince Charles'



Prince Charles Serviceberry flowers
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Height: 20 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A small tree with an upright growth habit, very prominent white flowers in spring, and radiant fall color; makes an excellent accent tree for smaller yards

Ornamental Features

Prince Charles Serviceberry is smothered in stunning clusters of white flowers rising above the foliage in early spring before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval leaves turn an outstanding orange in the fall. It produces blue berries in late spring.

Landscape Attributes

Prince Charles Serviceberry is an open multi-stemmed deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance tree, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Prince Charles Serviceberry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Prince Charles Serviceberry will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more. While it is considered to be somewhat self-pollinating, it tends to set heavier quantities of fruit with a different variety of the same species growing nearby.

This tree does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.