



## Asian Viburnum

*Viburnum punctatum*

Height: 19 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ☐ ☒

Hardiness Zone: 7b

Other Names: Konakaran

### Description:

A large multipurpose shrub covered in creamy white flower clusters in spring followed by red berries, fall color ranges from purple to red; excellent as a large hedge or screen, also makes a nice accent plant, flaking older bark is attractive

### Ornamental Features

Asian Viburnum features dainty cymes of creamy white flowers at the ends of the branches from early to mid spring. The red fruits are held in abundance in spectacular clusters in mid summer. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The glossy pointy leaves turn an outstanding purple in the fall. The mottled brown bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

### Landscape Attributes

Asian Viburnum is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. 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.

Asian Viburnum is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Asian Viburnum  
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**Planting & Growing**

Asian Viburnum will grow to be about 19 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 2 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.

This shrub 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 is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This species is not originally from North America.