Manchurian Viburnum

Viburnum burejaeticum

Manchurian Viburnum flowers
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Height: 15 feet

Spread: 12 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Description:

An uncommon shrub with multi-season interest; creamy white flower clusters in spring followed by berries that fade from red to glossy black and persist into winter, rich red-purple fall color; can grow large and leggy, use towards the back of the border

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Ornamental Features

Manchurian Viburnum is clothed in stunning creamy white flat-top flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring. The black fruits are held in abundance in spectacular clusters from mid summer to late fall. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval leaves turn an outstanding burgundy in the fall.

Landscape Attributes

Manchurian 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.

Manchurian Viburnum is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Manchurian Viburnum will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 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 fast 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 shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. 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.