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BLACK CHOKEBERRY

Aronia melanocarpa

Beautiful, hardy, and beneficial medium-sized shrub, well suited for use in developed landscapes. Produces lovely flowers and edible fruit, and is forage for many wildlife species.

Growing Information

Sunlight Full sun to part shade
Soil Type Moist, well-drained
Height 3–6'
Flowering calendar June

Benefits for Wildlife

Leaves Yes
Flowers Yes
Fruit Yes
Seeds Yes
Host to caterpillar species:

Benefits for People

Pretty white flowers on female plants in spring, dark fruit and brilliant red leaves in fall. Edible fruit is used in jellies, wine, health drinks, etc. Cultivated as cash crop in Europe.

Natural Habitat

- Usually moist woods, but sometimes in open clearings

