Native Plants

Nannyberry

Botanical Name: Viburnum lentago

Sun Exposure: Full sun to partial shade
Blooms: May
Soil Types/Tolerance: Average, medium-drained soils.
Plant Habit: Large deciduous shrub that can reach widths of 6-12’ and heights of 14-16’.
Other Notes: Flowers give way in autumn to blue-black, berry-like drupes which often persist into winter and are quite attractive to birds and wildlife. Flowers attract butterflies and this shrub serves as a host to butterfly larvae. Prune immediately after flowering since flower buds form in summer for the following year.

Virginia Rose

Botanical Name: Rosa virginiana
Sun Exposure: Full sun to partial shade
Blooms: May-July
Soil Types/Tolerance: Moist, well-drained soils. Great for sandy soils.
Plant Habit: An upright shrub, 2-6’ tall, with numerous, bushy-branched, thorny stems; and showy, pink flowers. Attractive fall coloration.
Other Notes: A great food source for songbirds and attracts native pollinators, especially bees. Tea and jelly can be made from the fruits (rose hips) that are high in vitamin C.

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