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Shrubs

ABELIA

Glossy Abelia

(*Abelia x grandiflora*)—Broadleaf evergreen shrub with glossy, dark green foliage. White, fragrant flowers emerge late in the summer and continue on until frost. Comes through the winter best in protected locations. May freeze back in hard winters. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

ALMOND

Dwarf Flowering Almond

(*Prunus glandulosa* 'Rosea Plena')—Very popular shrub with outstanding floral display early in the spring. Literally covered with wonderful double-pink blossoms from top to bottom. Plant in well-drained soils. Height 4-5', spread 3-4'.

ALTHEA

(Rose-of-Sharon)

(*Hibiscus syriacus*)—Upright growing shrub with hollyhock-like flowers. Blooms Aug.-Sept. An old-time favorite and a good choice for color late in the summer. Mature height 8-10', spread 5-6'.

'Amplissimus'—Double, red flowers.

'Aphrodite'—Single, pink flowers.

'Ardens'—Double, purple flowers.

'Azurri Satin' ('DVPazurri')—Great blue flowers without the seed production. This strong-growing selection produces large, single, rich blue flowers from mid-summer until fall.

NEW!—'Blue Angel' ('Greba')—Large, single, rich blue flowers with a red center. A heavy bloomer that just keeps going all summer! Height 8-12', spread 6-10'.

'Blueberry Smoothie' ('DS01BS')—Double flowers of purplish-blue. A heavy bloomer that just keeps going all summer.

'Lady Stanley'—Double pink flowers.

'Lil' Kim' ('Antong Two')— Finally, a dwarf Rose-of-Sharon! This heavy bloomer has white flowers with a showy red eye, all on a plant that stays much shorter than other selections. Introduced from South Korea. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Lil' Kim Red' ('SHIMRR38')—An addition to the Lil' Kim series. Handy, dwarf, compact habit with rich, deep rosy-red flowers. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Lil' Kim Violet' ('SHIMRV24')—This addition to Lil' Kim series has the same nice dwarf, compact habit as the others but with plum-violet flowers. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Raspberry Smoothie'—A heavy bloomer with beautiful double, fuchsia-raspberry flowers.

AZALEA

Azaleas can be quite successful if attention is paid to detail when growing them. Site them on the north or east side of your house for protection against the summer heat and winds. Plant them in soil that has been heavily amended with compost or peat moss and treated with soil sulfur to provide an acidic root environment. Keep mulched and don't forget to water through dry weather. Fertilize with an azalea food on a regular basis.



Bloom-A-Thon Hybrids

(*Rhododendron* 'Bloom-A-Thon Hybrids')—This group of azaleas blooms great in the spring and then reblooms over the rest of the season. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Lavender'—Lavender flowers.

'Pink'—Double, pink flowers.

'Red'—Bright red flowers.

'White'—White flowers.

Exbury Hybrids

(*Rhododendron* 'Exbury Hybrids')—Deciduous, upright grower. Foliage is green in the summer and yellow, orange and red in fall. Flowers are very bright, almost fluorescent. One of the easiest types to grow. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

NEW!—'Arneson Gem'—Large flowers of gold and orange.

'Gibraltar'—Flame-orange flowers.

Girard Hybrids

(*Rhododendron* 'Girard Hybrids')—Very hardy, large flowering evergreen azalea. Foliage turns reddish in the late fall and remains the rest of the winter. One of the best evergreen azaleas for our area. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Crimson'—Large crimson flowers.

'Fuchsia'—Dark reddish-purple flowers.

'Pleasant'—Large white flowers.

'Rose'—Deep rose-red flowers.

Northern Lights Hybrids

(*Rhododendron* 'Northern Lights Hybrids')—Extremely hardy (to -40°F) deciduous azalea. These selections are actually from a Minnesota breeding program, so you know they can handle Kansas winters. Compact growth. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Golden Lights'—Bright, golden-yellow, fragrant flowers.

'Lemon Lights'—Lemon-yellow flowers.

'Mandarin Lights'—Brilliant, mandarin-orange colored flowers.

'White Lights'—Pink buds opening to large white, fragrant flowers.

BARBERRY

Bagatelle Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Bagatelle')—This is a great little selection, similar to Crimson Pygmy but with smaller leaves and a tighter, more compact growth habit. Height 12-18", spread 18-24".

Bonanza Gold Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* 'Bogozam')—A dwarf Barberry with outstanding bright golden-yellow foliage. Low maintenance plant which forms a small dense mound. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

Concorde Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Concorde')—This compact, dwarf introduction has shown itself to hold a better deep purple-red color through the heat of the summer than 'Crimson Pygmy'. Considered by experts to be one of the best! Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

Crimson Pygmy Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Crimson Pygmy')—One of the most popular plants we carry. This dwarf Barberry with intense, blood-red foliage is perfect for putting a little punch of color into the landscape. Height 2', spread 2-3'.

Crimson Ruby Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Crizumam')—Brilliant crimson-red foliage and a very uniform, consistent growth habit. Maintains a dwarf habit with little or no effort. Use as a dramatic accent in mixed plantings. Height 18-24", spread 18-24".

Golden Nugget Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* 'Monlers')—A dense, compact Barberry with brilliant golden foliage. Great for small areas. Height 12-18", spread 18-24".

Golden Ruby Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* 'Goruzam')—Similar to 'Crimson Pygmy' in habit but with orange-red foliage. New growth emerges blood red and then as leaves mature they develop a golden margin. Striking variegation! Height 18-24", spread 18-24".

Helmond Pillar Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Helmond Pillar')—A narrow, upright form with deep purple-red leaves. Narrow, columnar form makes a striking statement in the landscape. Height 3-5', spread 1-2'.

Orange Rocket Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* 'Orange Rocket')—An upright, columnar form with vibrant coral-orange new growth. Bright orange-red fall color. Height 3-4', spread 1-2'.

NEW!—Pygmy Ruby Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* 'Pygruzam')— Compact form with shiny, deep red leaves. Height 12-18", spread 2-3'.

Rosy Glow Barberry

(*Berberis thunbergii* var. *atropurpurea* 'Rosy Glow')—Leaves are a stunning blend of rose-pink and deep blood-red. New growth shows the most intense color variation, while older leaves tend to mature to a more uniform deep reddish-purple. Prefers full sun. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

BAYBERRY

Northern Bayberry

(*Myrica pensylvanica*)—An upright growing shrub with waxy, dark green foliage. Leaves are very aromatic when crushed, and are used to make bayberry candles. Foliage will remain evergreen through much of the winter. Very tolerant of pruning. Height 6-10', spread 5-6'.

BEAUTYBERRY

Early Amethyst Purple

Beautyberry

(*Callicarpa dichotoma* 'Early Amethyst')—A great shrub for adding color to the fall garden. Arching branches are covered with small bright lilac-purple fruits by late summer and extending into the fall. For best fruit production prune heavily each spring. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

BLADDERNUT

American Bladdernut

(*Staphylea trifolia*)—An interesting native shrub found growing in timbered areas. Develops into a large, multi-stemmed, suckering shrub. Produces three-lobed, Chinese lantern-like seed capsules in the fall, each containing up to several seeds, creating a "bladder nut". Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

BLUE-MIST SHRUB

Blue-spirea are also commonly known as Bluebeard or Blue-mist Shrub and are in fact not actually Spireas at all. Technically these plants aren't even considered true shrubs, but instead classified as subshrubs which means they act kind of like a shrub and kind of like a perennial. Plan on cutting them back hard each spring to start the season, much like you would with the perennials in your garden. Plant them in full sun and well-drained soil. This is a great plant for butterfly gardens.

Petit Bleu Blue-Spirea

(*Caryopteris x clandonensis* 'Minibleu')— A more compact selection, still with deep blue flowers and dark green foliage. For best appearance, treat as a perennial and cut back to 3-6" each spring. Plant in well-drained soil. Height 2-2 1/2', spread 2-3'.

Dark Knight Blue-Spirea

(*Caryopteris x clandonensis* 'Dark Knight')— This small flowering shrub has deep blue-purple flowers late in the summer and into the fall. Leaves have a silvery-gray cast to them. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

Sunshine Blue II Common

Bluebeard

(*Caryopteris incana* 'SMNCVH')—Bright sunny-yellow foliage and rich amethyst-blue flowers. Blooms from late summer into the fall. Treat as a perennial and cut back to about 3-6" each spring. Needs well-drained soil. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

BOXWOOD

Green Gem Boxwood

(*Buxus x 'Green Gem'*)—A tough hybrid boxwood from a Canadian breeding program. Great winter hardiness with good green color. Slow growing and naturally globe shaped. Requires very little pruning. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

Green Mountain Boxwood

(*Buxus x 'Green Mountain'*)—A hybrid boxwood with great winter hardiness and outstanding foliage and a slightly upright growing habit. Dark green leaves through the growing season, bronzing slightly through the winter. Height 3-5', spread 2-3'.

Green Tower Boxwood

(*Buxus sempervirens* 'Monrue')—A very narrow growing form, perfect for use as an accent plant or narrow hedges. Tolerates trimming nicely, and doesn't bronze out through the winter. Height 6-8', spread 18-24".

Green Velvet Boxwood

(*Buxus x 'Green Velvet'*)—A vigorous, globe-shaped, hybrid boxwood with dark green foliage that retains its color in the winter. Excellent plant for hedges and borders. Very hardy! Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

Wintergreen Korean Boxwood

(*Buxus microphylla* var. *koreana*)—A Korean Boxwood selection with handsome light green foliage and very small leaves. Growth is very dense, making it great for small hedges. Extremely winter hardy. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

BUCKEYE

Bottlebrush Buckeye

(*Aesculus parviflora*)—An absolutely stunning, large flowering shrub. Wide-spreading, suckering habit with dark green summer foliage changing to yellow in the fall. Covered with upright, 8-12" long panicles of white flowers early in the summer. Spectacular!!! Height 8-12', Spread 8-15'.

BUCKTHORN

Fine Line Buckthorn

(*Rhamnus frangula* 'Ron Williams')—A neat introduction that combines the fern-like foliage of the Willowleaf Buckthorn with the narrow, upright habit of the Columnar Tall Hedge Buckthorn. Would make a great accent plant in a shrub border or in a perennial planting. Height 5-7', spread 2-3'.

Willowleaf Buckthorn

(*Rhamnus frangula* 'Asplenifolia')—An outstanding specimen plant for a special spot. Leaves are narrow, similar to a willow giving the whole plant a graceful, ferny appearance. This plant looks great around water features, creating a willow-like appearance. Height 10-12', spread 6-10'.

BURNING BUSH

Compact Burning Bush

(*Euonymus alatus* 'Compactus')—Also called Dwarf Winged Euonymus, Dwarf Burning Bush, and sometimes just plain old Burning Bush. A much more compact, slower growing form of the species made popular because of its brilliant red fall color. Height 4-6', spread 4-5'.

BUSH-HONEYSUCKLE

Butterfly Bush-honeysuckle

(*Dierroilla sessilifolia* 'Butterfly')—A Dutch introduction with rich yellow flowers held in upright clusters from May to July. Dark green glossy summer foliage that changes to a wonderful purple in the fall. Very tough plant. Prune back hard each spring for best appearance. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

BUTTERFLY-BUSH

Butterfly-bush

(*Buddleia davidii*)—A fast growing, medium-size shrub with stunning lilac-like flowers through the heat of the summer and on into the fall. Flowers come in a variety of colors. Will grow and bloom best if pruned nearly to the ground each winter. Great for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds as well as adding a lot of summer color to the garden.



'Adonis Blue' ('Adokeep')—Deep blue flowers of good size and fragrance on a more compact plant. Selection out of a breeding program aimed at producing smaller, more compact plants. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Black Knight'—Very dark violet-purple with large panicles. Our most popular variety. Height 5-8', spread 4-6'.

'Blue Chip Jr.'—Very small form with a more compact habit. Rich lavender-blue flowers from summer to frost. Plant in full sun and well-drained soil. Height 12-24", spread 18-24".

'Miss Molly'—Sangria-red flowers throughout the summer and on into fall with a nice compact habit. This introduction from NC State University is an offspring of 'Miss Ruby', and is most red of any Butterfly Bush introduced to date. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Miss Ruby'—Bright reddish-pink flowers on a compact plant. Introduced by the JC Raulston Arboretum in North Carolina. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

NEW!—'Miss Violet'—Loads of dark purple-violet flowers from summer until fall. Compact full habit. Seedless. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Nanho Purple' (var. *nanhoensis*)—Highly fragrant, magenta-purple flowers on a more compact, semi-dwarf shrub. Height 4-5', spread 4-6'.

'Pink Delight'—Fragrant, true pink flowers in panicles 12-15" long. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'Pink Micro Chip'—A small plant with an abundance of orchid pink flowers through the summer and into the fall. Height 18-24", spread 18-24".

NEW!—'Pugster Blue' (SMNBDBT)—This plant may be smaller but the flowers aren't! Dwarf, compact growth with full sized flowers all summer and into the fall. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Purple Haze'—This compact selection is part of the Lo & Behold Series and is perfect for smaller spaces. Produces fragrant, long-lasting, purple-blue flowers throughout the summer and into the fall on a smaller sized plant. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Royal Red'—Rich purple-red flowers on large panicles. Fragrant. Height 5-8', spread 4-6'.

BUTTONBUSH

Buttonbush

(*Cephalanthus occidentalis*)—Loose, rounded shrub with creamy-white flowers produced in round heads. Glossy foliage. Great for naturalizing or planting in a wet site. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

CHERRY

Nanking Cherry

(*Prunus tomentosa*)—This is a good plant for wildlife plantings. White flowers will develop into bright red, 1/3" cherries. Needs well-drained soil. Height 6-10', spread 10-12'.

CHOKEBERRY

Brilliant Red Chokeberry

(*Aronia arbutifolia* 'Brilliantissima')—A great plant for mass plantings. Showy clusters of white spring flowers develop into bright red, 1/4" fruits in the fall and remain on the plant through most of the winter. Dark green summer foliage changes to brilliant red in the fall. Tolerates wet soils. Height 5-8', spread 4-6'.

Iroquois Beauty Chokeberry

(*Aronia melanocarpa* 'Morton')—This is a beautiful dwarf form with all the same wonderful characteristics as the species. White flowers in the spring, dark green, glossy foliage through the summer and finishing in the fall with abundant

clusters of black fruits and wine-red leaves. Looks great in mass plantings. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

NEW!—McKenzie Black

Chokeberry

(*Aronia melanocarpa* 'McKenzie')—This form was selected by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service for use in both conservation and landscape plantings. This form is also popular for edible fruit production. Produces abundant clusters of purplish-black juicy fruits high in anthocyanins and flavanoids. Height 5-7', spread 4-6'.

Viking Black Chokeberry

(*Aronia melanocarpa* 'Viking')—An introduction from Europe. Dense habit with dark green glossy leaves that turn brilliant red in the fall. Abundant clusters of white flowers in May followed by large clusters of black fruits in the season. Tolerates wet or dry soils. Height 3-6', spread 6-8'.

CLETHRA

Hummingbird Summersweet

Clethra

(*Clethra alnifolia* 'Hummingbird')—'Hummingbird' is an outstanding dwarf selection. Fragrant white flowers are produced in abundance on a small compact plant. Does best in moist to wet soils. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

CORALBERRY

Blade of Sun Coralberry

(*Symphoricarpos x chenault* 'Blade of Sun')—A dramatic selection of a very tough plant. New growth is golden-yellow to orange and remains golden-yellow through the season. Foliage will take on a more green color in the shade. Height 2-3', spread 3-6'.

Indiancurrant Coralberry

(*Symphoricarpos orbiculatus*)—An upright, spreading shrub with slender, arching branches. Attractive coral-red fruits cover the stems in the fall and throughout the winter. A great plant for understory plantings or for naturalizing. A native selection. Very tough! Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

Scarlet Pearl Snowberry

(*Symphoricarpos x doorenbosii* 'Scarlet Pearl')—Stunning clusters of long-lasting, dark pink fruits cover the stems, weighing them down to create a beautifully arching, graceful plant. Extremely tough plant that will grow in full sun to part shade. Drought tolerant once established. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

COTONEASTER

Cranberry Cotoneaster

(*Cotoneaster apiculata*)—A small shrub with spreading, arching branches covered with small shiny leaves. Pink blossoms line the branches in the spring, followed by red berries in the fall. The fruits look like little cranberries...you figure out the rest. Height 2-3', spread 3-5'.

Eichholz Bearberry Cotoneaster

(*Cotoneaster dammari* 'Eichholz')—Bright green leaves take on a gold to orange-red winter color that provides a dramatic background for the carmine-red fruit. Excellent fast growing, semi-evergreen groundcover. Height 12-15", spread 6-8'.

Variegated Cotoneaster

(*Cotoneaster horizontalis* 'Variegatus')—Low, spreading form with dainty, glossy green leaves edged in white. Shiny red fruit and orange-red leaves in the fall. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

CRAPEMYRTLE

Common Crapemyrtle

(*Lagerstroemia indica*)—Southern landscapes are filled with this plant, providing colorful flowers from summer into the fall and often growing to small tree size proportions. Unfortunately crapemyrtles are not winter hardy enough in our area to be expected to perform similarly. However they can certainly still be enjoyed in our gardens. Mulch heavily and plan on using them as a cut back shrub much like we do with Butterfly-bush. Early in the spring remove any winter-killed wood and wait for new growth to emerge. One word of advice, be patient. Crapemyrtles will be very late to show any signs of life in the spring, often not producing new growth until late May. Planting on southern exposures will provide more winter protection. Another suggestion, crapemyrtles make a great addition into container gardens for lots of summer color on porches and patios. Height 3-5' (some plants could get larger with mild winters), spread 3-4'.

Tall Forms (Height 4-8'+)

'**Dynamite**' ('Whit II')—Crimson flower buds that open to bright cherry-red flowers.

NEW!— '**Pink Velour**' ('Whit III')—Magenta-pink flowers from summer until fall. Spring growth is burgundy-red.

'**Rhapsody in Pink**' ('Whit VII')—Wine-red new growth and soft pink flowers.

'**Siren Red**' ('Whit VII')—Dark red flowers. Wine-red new growth.

Dwarf Forms (Height 3-5')

'**Pink Ruffles**'—Light pink flowers.

'**Princess Holly Ann**' ('GA 0701')—Cherry-red flowers from summer to fall.

'**Velma's Royal Delight**'—An introduction from Kansas State University with improved

winter hardiness. Deep magenta flowers. Will still freeze to the ground in many winters, but comes back more reliably than other forms. Mulch heavily to provide additional winter protection. Height 3-6', spread 3-6'.

'**Zuni**'—Medium-lavender flowers.

Miniature Forms (Shorter than 3')

'**Pocomoke**'—A U.S. National Arboretum introduction with deep rose-pink flowers from mid-summer until frost. Height 1-2', spread 2-3'.

'**Violet Filli**'—Beautiful violet flowers on a very compact, dwarf plant. Bred in Lincoln, NE and reported hardy to 30 below zero. Height 12-15", spread 12-15".

DAPHNE

Carol Mackie Daphne

(*Daphne x burkwoodii* 'Carol Mackie')—A beautiful selection with dramatic green and white variegated foliage and light pink, highly fragrant flowers. Needs moist but well-drained soil and light shade. Can be difficult to establish. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

NEW!—Eternal Fragrance

Daphne

(*Daphne x transatlantica* 'Blafra')—Spring flowers are small, white and intensely fragrant. Can rebloom sporadically through growing season. Forms a small rounded plant over time. Needs moist but well-drained soil and light shade. Can be difficult to establish. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

DEUTZIA

Chardonnay Pearls Deutzia

(*Deutzia gracillis* 'Duncan')—New growth is a rich chartreuse, fading to lime-green through the heat of the summer. Pearl-like buds open to fragrant white flowers in the spring. Eye-catching effect! Needs to be planted in light shade. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

Nikko Slender Deutzia

(*Deutzia gracillis* 'Nikko')—Shorter and more compact than the species. Good white flowers early in the spring. Looks stunning in mass plantings. Height 1-2', spread 2-3'.

DOGWOOD

Gray Dogwood

(*Cornus racemosa*)—This plant is tough and is in fact native over much of the eastern half of the United States. It will grow just about anywhere from full sun to heavy shade and in soils that are wet or dry and everything in between. Creamy-white flowers in the spring and small white fruits in the later summer. Tends to have reddish

fall color. Great for naturalizing areas and for wildlife. Has a suckering tendency. Height 8-15', spread 8-15'.

'**Huron**' ('Hurzam')—A smaller, more rounded selection. Extremely adaptable plant that will do well in almost any location. Creamy-white flowers in the spring followed by burgundy fall foliage and clusters of white berries. Tough plant! Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'**Muskingum**' ('Muszam')—A tough plant for just about any site. Small size and spreading habit make it a great choice for mass plantings in tough areas. Beautiful brick-red fall color and luminous white clusters of berries add to the display. Very low maintenance plant. Height 18-24", spread 3-4'.

Red Stem Dogwood

(*Cornus sericea*)—This plant is best known for its stunning winter show of brightly colored stems. A fast grower that loves moist sites. Will produce an abundance of small, creamy-white berries that birds really love. We carry several selections, and all perform well if given a little extra water through dry stretches of summer. When you are thinking about adding winter color into your landscape, keep these plants in mind. Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

'**Ivory Halo**' (*C. alba* 'Bailhalo')—A compact selection of Redstem Dogwood with dramatic green and white variegated foliage and brilliant, blood-red winter stems. The red stem color intensifies in the fall and winter. This is a great plant for adding color into the garden throughout the year. For added effect, plant against a backdrop of evergreens, a fence, or a wall. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

'**Isanti**'—Dense, slow-growing shrub with bright red bark all winter long. White flowers in late spring and white fruit in late summer. This form will tend to stay fuller and more compact than others. Height 5-6', spread 4-5'.

ELDERBERRY

American Elderberry

(*Sambucus canadensis*)—A neat, tough, native shrub great for wildlife and the garden. This plant is best known for its prized sweet purple-black fruits. Can be used for jellies, pies, juice and wine; don't forget the birds love them too! Large clusters of white flowers in early summer. Great for naturalizing. If you are growing them for their fruits, prune sparingly. Plant with another variety for best fruit production. For best appearance for landscape use, prune hard each spring.

'**Adams**'—Selected for its abundant fruit production and grown commercially. Height 6-10', spread 8-12'.

'**Bob Gordon**'—A very productive selection! Fruit clusters are large and tend to hang downward, making them more difficult for birds to get to. Height 6-10', spread 8-12'.



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‘York’—A commercially grown form known for producing larger fruits than most other selections. Height 8-12’, spread 8-12’.

European Elderberry

(*Sambucus nigra*)—This is the European cousin to the American Elder. It is grown primarily for its foliage effect, although flowers and fruit are attractive as well. For best appearance use as a cutback shrub by pruning to the ground each spring. This will keep the plant smaller and more compact and produce more dramatic foliage.

‘Black Lace’ (‘Eva’)—Deeply cut, dark blood-red foliage has the appearance of a Cutleaf Japanese Maple. Actually might be a good substitute for that plant in hotter, dryer sites... then again, maybe not. Height 6-8’, spread 8-10’.

EUONYMUS

Manhattan Euonymus

(*Euonymus kiautschovicus* ‘Manhattan’)—Medium to large leaf variety of Spreading Euonymus that supposedly was discovered in Manhattan, Kansas. Has very deep green, glossy foliage that is more resistant to winter leaf burn. Can easily be sheared to make hedges. This is very attractive shrub that adds a nice richness to a landscape. Height 4-6’, spread 5-6’.

Wintercreeper Euonymus

(*Euonymus fortunei*)—This is a variable species with selections having just about any foliage color you could imagine. All are broadleaf evergreens, meaning they keep their foliage through the winter. Many will take on a burgundy to purple foliage color in the winter. They will do well in full sun and in considerable shade.

‘Canadale Gold’—Large, bright yellow and green variegated leaves. Height 3-4’, spread 3-4’.

‘Emerald ‘n Gold’—Emerald green foliage with a vibrant gold edge. One of the most popular forms we carry. Height 1-2’, spread 2-3’.

‘Gaiety’ (‘Emerald Gaiety’)—Dense plant with emerald-green leaves edged with creamy-white. Height 1-2’, spread 2-3’.

‘Moonshadow’—Dense, compact form with wavy, light yellow leaves, edged with thin green margins. Height 1-2’, spread 2-3’.

‘Purpleleaf’ (var. *coloratus*)—This low-growing, wide-spreading form is commonly used as a groundcover. Foliage is dark green through the growing season, changing to plum-purple for the winter. Very tolerant of both sunny and shady exposures. Height 12-18”.

FALSESPIREA

Ashleaf Falsespirea

(*Sorbaria sorbifolia*)—Outstanding, large white flowers in June. Suckers to form colonies over

time. Useful for borders, mass plantings, and bank covers. Height 6-8’, spread 5-10’.

‘Sem’—This is a more dwarf variety with the added plus of having more colorful foliage as well. Leaves emerge reddish-bronze, changing to chartreuse as the season develops. Bears abundant white flowers during the summer. Height 3-4’, spread 3-4’.

FILBERT (Hazelnut)

American Filbert

(*Corylus americana*)—A large suckering shrub that can be found growing natively in our area. Produces an abundant crop of sweet, edible nuts. Critters love them! Plant two or more for adequate cross pollination. Height 6-10’, spread 6-10’.

Harry Lauder’s Walking Stick

(*Corylus avellana* ‘Contorta’)—An unusual, striking selection of European Filbert with bizarrely curled and twisted branches. The winter effect is absolutely outstanding! Dark green leaves also are somewhat twisted. Rarely sets fruit. Named for an early 1900’s Scottish comedian whose trademark was a crooked walking stick. Height 6-9’, spread 6-10’.

Red Dragon Contorted Hazelnut

Corylus avellana ‘Red Dragon’—A release from Oregon State University. This one was actually rejected from their hazelnut trials because of low nut production but the beautiful purple foliage and twisted stems gave it a second life as an ornamental plant. Stunning! Height 6-10’, spread 6-10’.

FORSYTHIA

Gold Tide Forsythia

(*Forsythia x intermedia* ‘Courtasol’)—This is a groundcover type Forsythia introduced from France. Very compact, ground hugging habit. Lemon-yellow flowers in the spring. Moss-green summer foliage. Looks impressive in mass plantings. Height 11/2-21/2’, spread 3-4’.

Lynwood Gold Forsythia

(*Forsythia x intermedia* ‘Lynwood Gold’)—A heavy flowering form introduced from Ireland in 1935. It has been a staple here in America ever since. Erect branches are loaded with bright yellow flowers early in the spring. Deep green foliage. Height 6-8’, spread 8-10’.

Magical Gold Forsythia

(*Forsythia x intermedia* ‘KolGold’)—An introduction from Germany with a smaller growth habit and an intense floral display of bright, golden-yellow flowers early in the spring. A real show stopper when in full bloom. Stems can be cut late in the winter and forced inside for an early sign of spring. Height 4-5’, spread 4-6’.

FOTHERGILLA

Dwarf Fothergilla

(*Fothergilla gardenii*)—Beautiful blue-green leathery leaves. Flowers are borne early in the spring, are white and fragrant. Fall color is a stunning combination of red, orange, and yellow. A beautiful and unique plant. Plant in light shade and water through dry weather. Height 3-5', spread 3-4'.

HOLLY

Although most people don't realize it, Hollies come in a wide variety of shape and sizes. Some Hollies have evergreen foliage while some are deciduous. Some produce red fruits while others bear fruits that are black. Some have the foliage that we all tend to think of at Christmas time while others have small, rounded leaves like a boxwood. And the one that really gets people confused, some are male and some female. That is important to keep in mind because if fruit production is what you are after, only the female forms have the ability to produce fruits, but only if there is an appropriate male form to serve as a pollinator. With so much diversity, there really is a holly for almost every planting situation.

Inkberry

(*Ilex glabra*)—One of the toughest evergreen Hollies for our part of the country! Dark green, lustrous leaves adorn the plant through the summer and the winter. Will grow in both sun and shade and is very tolerant of most soil conditions, including damp sites. Prune heavily in early spring to maintain a full, dense bush.

'Nordic' ('Chamzin')—Selected for its compact habit and cold hardiness, this form makes a great accent, foundation, or hedge plant. A male selection. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Shamrock'—A slower growing, more compact form. Leaves are dark green throughout the year. Very tolerant of heavy pruning. Supposedly a male selection, but we have frequently seen fruit on them here so evidently it doesn't read the same books we do. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

Japanese Holly

(*Ilex crenate*)—A small-leaved holly with an appearance very similar to boxwood. Female forms produce small black fruits borne under the foliage. Very tolerant of trimming and shearing. Plant in protected locations for best success. Height and spread vary with selection.

'Sky Pencil'—A tall, narrow selection introduced by the U.S. National Arboretum. Dark green, glossy foliage and a very strict upright habit. Use as a dramatic accent or as a sculptural element for the garden. Height 6-8', spread 2-3'.

Meserve Holly Hybrids

(*Ilex x meserve*)—This group of hybrids are made up of forms that were selected for their increased winter hardiness as well as other desirable ornamental characteristics. Foliage has the traditional scalloped edge shape and fruits are a shiny deep red. Plant in shade to partial shade. Size and shape will vary by selection.

'Berri-Magic China' ('Mesdob' & 'Mesog')—There is really nothing magic about it, and here is the secret. Each pot has a 'China Boy' and a 'China Girl' Holly planted in it so you can get berry production without having to find room to plant another bush. It's as easy as that! Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'Berri-Magic Royalty'—Use this selection when you only have room for one plant. Each pot contains both a 'Blue Prince' and a 'Blue Princess' Holly, satisfying the plant's pollination needs while still producing fruit. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

'Blue Prince'—The male companion to go with 'Blue Princess'. Dark, blue-green foliage. One of the hardiest forms around. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

'Blue Princess'—Dark blue-green foliage and stems with an abundant production of bright red fruits. One of our most popular forms. Use 'Blue Prince' as a male pollinator. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

'Castle Spire' ('Heckenfee')—A compact, pyramidal form with beautiful, lustrous, dark green leaves and bright red berries. Use as a foundation plant or as an accent. Use 'Castle Wall' as a similar looking male pollinator. Height 5-10', spread 3-4'.

'Castle Wall' ('Heckenstar')—A broadly columnar to pyramidal selection with wonderful dark green foliage. Use as a foundation plant or an accent. A male selection, useful as a pollinator for 'Castle Spire' if a similar look is desired. Height 5-10', spread 3-4'.

'China Boy' ('Mesdob')—Excellent cold hardiness. Bright green foliage color. Male companion to go with 'China Girl'. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'China Girl' ('Mesog')—Lustrous, bright green foliage. More heat tolerant than other selections. Abundant bright red fruit. Use 'China Boy' as a male pollinator. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'Red Beauty' ('Rutzan')—This dramatic selection that combines Meserve Holly (*I. x meserve*) and Perny Holly (*I. pernyi*) to create a fantastic landscape plant. A narrow, conical form with dark glossy foliage and bright red fruits. Use 'Blue Prince' as a pollinator. Height 5-8', spread 3-4'.

'Sallywag' ('Monnieves')—A sport of 'Little Rascal' with a slightly larger, more upright growth habit, but still retaining a good compact character. Foliage is rich dark blue-green in the summer changing to deep purple in the winter. This also is a male selection, so it will not produce any fruit. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

Winterberry

(*Ilex verticillata*)—These Hollies lose all of their leaves in the winter, but retain large quantities of brightly colored, pea-sized, red to orange fruits that literally cover the stems through the winter. As well as being highly ornamental, the fruits are much sought after by birds as a winter food source. Plants are much hardier than evergreen types of Hollies and can be planted in full sun to light shade. Very tolerant of heavy soils. As with other Hollies, both male and female plants must be present for fruit production. Size varies with selection.

'Jim Dandy'—A male selection also called 'Dwarf Male'. A strong pollinator used with early blooming female forms. Use as a pollinator for 'Berry Heavy', 'Berry Nice', and 'Red Sprite'. Height 4-6', spread 4-5'.

'Red Sprite'—Most dwarf of any, with the largest fruit of all. Bright red fruits are 1/2" and stay on the plant for months. Pollinated by 'Jim Dandy'. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

HYDRANGEA

Bigleaf Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea macrophylla*)—An old-fashioned favorite, much sought after because of their unique rich blue flowers, Bigleaf Hydrangea can add a new dimension to your garden. Large clusters of flowers adorn the plant in June-July. Bold, lustrous, dark green foliage provides an excellent garden texture throughout the growing season. Flowers come in two forms, large snowball types and delicate lacecaps. Flowers range from pink to blue depending on soil conditions. In more alkaline soils, flowers will be more pink while it takes acidic soils and aluminum to produce the famous blue flowers. You will need to amend your soil with the appropriate product to produce the desired results. Plant in a protected, shaded site and mulch heavily in winter to protect flower buds. Height 3-5', spread 3-4'.

'BloomStruck' ('PIIHM-II')—Huge blooms on the ends of stout, red-purple stems and best yet, they bloom on old and new growth! Foliage has better heat tolerance than other selections that tend to wilt severely in mid-day summer heat. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Light-O-Day'—A beautiful variegated form that is reported to have more reliable blooms. Flowers are blue to pink lacecaps, but the plant is worth growing for the foliage effect alone. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Mini Penny'—This more compact version of 'Penny Mac' has also been called 'Half-a-Penny'. A heavy bloomer with reliable flowers and repeat blooming tendencies. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Nantucket Blue' ('Grenan')—A re-blooming selection with beautiful large blooms, produced on both old and new wood. Flowers can be made to color pink by adding agricultural limestone or blue by adding aluminum sulfate. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Twist-N-Shout' ('PIIHM-I')—A cross between 'Penny Mac' and 'Lady in Red' that combines the best of both parents. This reblooming lacecap has pink to periwinkle-blue flowers on both old and new wood. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

Oakleaf Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea quercifolia*)—Foliage, flowers and fall color all combine on this shrub to provide a fantastic display in the garden. Large, leathery, dark green, oak-shaped leaves develop spectacular fall colors ranging from wine-red to purple to deep, rich burgundy. Blooms go through a wonderful color transformation from white to purplish-pink to creamy-bronze. Height 5-8', spread 6-8'.

'Alice'—Extremely large (10-14") white blooms age to a deep rosy-pink. Dark green foliage becomes a beautiful burgundy-red in the fall. Very vigorous, hardy selection. Height 6-10', spread 6-10'.

NEW!— 'Gatsby Pink' ('JoAnn')—This form was selected because it's big white blooms have a strong tendency to transition into pink during the bloom cycle. Dark green summer foliage and colorful, mahogany-red fall color. This selection comes from Powell Gardens in Missouri. Height 6-8', spread 6-10'.

NEW!— 'Jetstream' ('PIIHQ-I')— Selected for its dense, compact, non-flopping habit, lustrous dark green foliage and impressive white flowers. Height 5-6', spread 4-6'.

'Munchkin'—This dwarf form is a U.S. National Arboretum introduction released in 2010. The offspring of another great dwarf selection, 'Sikes Dwarf', this selection is even more compact and rounded. Great summer blooms and attractive fall color. Height 3-4', spread 3-5'.

'Pee Wee'—A great little Oakleaf Hydrangea! This remarkable selection has 4-5" long white floral clusters in early to mid summer and fantastic wine-red fall color. An excellent form for the small garden or where space is limited. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Ruby Slippers'— U.S. National Arboretum introduction selected for its compact habit and great flowers. Large white panicles are held upright above the foliage in early summer. The flowers are reported to quickly turn pale pink deepening to rose. The result of controlled crosses between 'Pee Wee' and 'Snow Queen'. Height 3-4', spread 4-5'.

'Sikes Dwarf'—All the fantastic attributes of Oakleaf Hydrangea but in a smaller package! Showy white flowers late in the spring, attractive summer foliage and impressive red-purple fall color. Great for smaller yards. Height 3-4', spread 4-5'.

'Snow Queen' ('Flemygeal')—A more sun tolerant selection that develops a deep red-bronze fall color. Larger, fuller flowers are held more upright. A more compact grower. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

Panicle Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea paniculata*)—An excellent shrub for late summer color in the garden, and unfortunately often overlooked as a valuable landscape addition. Produces extremely large panicles of white flowers late in the summer that often progress through a wonderful color change into fall. Unlike most other hydrangeas, this species actually does best in full sun, but will tolerate some light shade and still bloom respectably. For best appearances though, water through dry stretches of weather. Can be heavily pruned to control size in the spring without interrupting flower production. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'Bobo' ('ILVOBO')—A dwarf Panicle Hydrangea with the same large white flower clusters that make this shrub so desirable. Blooms can take on a pinkish color as they age. Height 2 1/2'-3', spread 3-4'.

NEW!—'Fire and Ice' ('Wims Red')— An early blooming selection with bright flowers that have the potential to fade to pink as they finish and eventually darken to deep red by late summer or early fall. Maintained to a single trunk to create a tree form. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'Limelight'— An interesting introduction with bright lime-green flowers. Actually a lot more attractive than it sounds, this selection could be used to add some interesting color to the late summer landscape. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'Little Lime' ('Jane')—A smaller version of the popular 'Limelight' with the same great bright lime-green flowers as its namesake. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Little Quick Fire' ('SMHPLQF')— A slightly smaller selection of 'Quick Fire' with the same great flowers late in the spring. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Quick Fire' ('Bulk')—This much earlier flowering selection is reported to often bloom more than a month before other varieties. White flowers emerge in the spring and tend to age to a rich deep pink, all before other selections have started to bloom.

'Vanilla Strawberry' ('Renhy')— Enormous flowers! Blooms start off pure white and then if things go right, they age to pink and finally to strawberry-red. Height 6-8', spread 4-6'.

Smooth Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea arborescens*)—One of the easiest to grow species. Reliably produces masses of large white flowers every spring. Provide afternoon shade and water through dry weather. Very easy to grow. Height 3-5', spread 4-5'.

'Annabelle'—This popular, old variety is the dominant form found in cultivation. Produces large, white, rounded clusters of flowers in June-July that can reach up to a foot across. A heavy bloomer that does great in shady places.

'Incrediball' ('Abetwo')—Introduced as a new and improved 'Annabelle'. It came out of a breeding program where the goal was stronger stems. They got that and larger blooms too! Height 3-5', spread 4-5'.

NEW!—'Invincibelle Ruby' ('NCHA3')—

Flowers are a combination of bright ruby-red and silvery-pink. Dark green foliage and strong stems. Bloom reliably on new wood every spring. Easy to grow. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

HYPERICUM

(*St. Johnswort*)

Kalm Hypericum

(*Hypericum kalmianum*)—Bright yellow flowers and green to blue-green foliage. Very tolerant of hot dry exposures. Profuse bloomer in mid-summer. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Ames'—A very tough, carefree selection that forms a perfect, dense mound of blue-green foliage. Covered in masses of large, bright yellow flowers in mid-summer. An introduction from Iowa State University with increased winter hardiness. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Blue Velvet' (H. x 'Cfflpc-1')— A hybrid Kalm Hypericum with foliage that is much bluer than the species. Loaded with a spectacular display of bright yellow flowers mid season. Very tolerant of hot, dry, sunny locations. Super tough! Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Sunny Boulevard' ('Deppe')—A compact, mounding form with dark green leave and bright yellow flowers. Does well in lots of sun and tolerates drought fairly well. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

Sunburst Hypericum

(*Hypericum frondosum* 'Sunburst')—Small rounded shrub with bluish-green leaves. Bright yellow flowers that appear to be a miniature sunburst cover the plant during the summer. Great plant for hot, sunny areas. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

KERRIA

Double Flowering Japanese Kerria

(*Kerria japonica* 'Pleniflora')—Dense shrub covered with globe-shaped, golden-yellow flowers in May. Bright green twigs are attractive in winter. Does best in shade. Height 6-8', spread 6-10'.

Golden Guinea Kerria

(*Kerria japonica* 'Golden Guinea')—An improved selection with flowers larger than the species (up to 1 3/4-2" in diameter) that are borne freely over a long period of time. Wonderful, rich green foliage and stem color. Height 4-5', spread 4-6'.

LEPTODERMIS

Chinese Leptodermis

(*Leptodermis oblonga*)—This little known shrub is a real blooming machine! Produces small violet-purple, lilac-like blooms from late spring until frost. On top of that, they are even fragrant! Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

LILAC

Canada Hybrids

(*Syringa x hyacinthiflora*)—Developed in Canada, these vigorous lilacs are exceptionally hardy. Dark green, disease resistant foliage turns reddish-purple in the fall. Very fragrant flower clusters are produced in abundance early in the spring. Height 10-12', spread 10-12'.

'Pocahontas'—A very popular selection with deep maroon-purple buds that open to deep violet, fragrant, single flowers. Exceptionally hardy and vigorous. Height 10-12', spread 10-12'.

Common Lilac

(*Syringa vulgaris*)—The old-fashioned purple lilac that everybody knows and loves. Single lilac flowers in large panicles. Very fragrant blooms also work out nicely as a cut flower. An easy to grow shrub that has been a favorite for years. Numerous hybrids have been introduced that give us both single and double flowering forms in just about any color imaginable. Plant them in full sun and well drained soil. Height 8-12', spread 8-10'.

'Beauty of Moscow' ('Krasavitsa Moskv'y')—A vigorous selection with an abundant production of beautiful, double, pale pink flowers. Blooms are actually pink in bud, fading to white as they open and age. Height 10-12', spread 6-8'.

'Charles Joly'—Double, magenta flowers. One of the earlier French hybrids but still one of the favorites.

'Monge'—An outstanding, very popular French hybrid selection. Brilliant display of single, reddish-purple flowers. Long stems make this a good cut flower. Height 10-12', spread 8-12'.

'Purple'—An old-fashioned favorite! Extremely fragrant, single, lilac-purple flowers are a wonderful addition to the garden. Also great as a cut flower. Extremely tough and durable. Height 8-12', spread 8-12'.

'Sensation'—An outstanding selection with individual flowers that are purple with a pure white border. One of the best. Height 8-10', 8-12'.

'White' (var. *alba*)—Just like the Common Purple Lilac but with pure white flowers. Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

'Yankee Doodle'—One of the deepest and darkest purple forms available. A profuse bloomer with large, up to 8" long, flower panicles. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

Dwarf Lilac

(*Syringa meyeri*, *S. patula*, *S. microphylla* and *S. julinanae*)—This is actually a collection of three closely related species. All produce attractive, dark green, glossy foliage that has a unique, undulating habit making for an attractive shrub even out of bloom. Spring flowers are spectacular and typically very fragrant. Height and spread will vary with selection.

'Blooming Dark Purple' ('SMSJBP7')—Dark purple, fragrant flowers in the spring, blooming again in the fall with a few occasional flowers in between. Compact grower with good vigor. Height 4-6', spread 4-7'.

'Dwarf Korean' (*S. meyeri* 'Palibin')—One of the best! an excellent shrub for the landscape due to its smaller size and compact habit. Produces an awesome display of pinkish-lilac to lavender color flowers in the spring. Extremely fragrant! Excellent mildew and borer resistance. Hardy and easy to grow. Height 4-5', spread 5-6'.

'Miss Kim' (*S. patula* 'Miss Kim')—Purple buds that open to fragrant blue-purple flowers slightly later than 'Dwarf Korean'. Compact habit and small size makes it a great landscape plant. Easy to grow. Height 5-7', spread 4-6'.

Persian Lilac

(*Syringa x persica*)—A heavy blooming, faster growing species that bears an abundance of fragrant, pale lilac flowers about mid-May. Blooms at an early age. Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

Preston Hybrids

(*Syringa x prestoniae*)—A later flowering lilac that exhibits excellent vigor and hardiness. Very prolific, large panicles of flowers. These are wonderful selections to extend the lilac blooming season further into the spring.

'Donald Wyman'—Single, deep reddish-pink flowers. Considered by many to be the best of the Preston Hybrids. Height 8-10', spread 4-10'.

MAHONIA

(*Oregon Grapeholly*)

Compact Mahonia

(*Mahonia aquifolium* 'Compacta')—Compact dwarf form of the Common Mahonia. Bright yellow flowers in the spring and grape-like clusters of fruits developing through the summer. Leaves turn purplish-red in the fall and remain on the plant through the winter. A great choice for adding year-round color into the landscape. Plant in well-drained soil. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'. A 2005 Pride of Kansas Selection.

Common Mahonia

(*Mahonia aquifolium*)—Bright yellow flowers on a glossy evergreen shrub. New foliage is reddish-bronze changing to lustrous dark green for the summer season. Winter color is a deep purplish-bronze. Height 3-6', spread 3-5'.

MOCKORANGE

Blizzard Mockorange

(*Philadelphus lewisii* 'Blizzard')—Single, white, incredibly fragrant flowers on a dense, upright plant. This selection is prized for its hardiness and was in fact selected from seedling population collected in Canada. Now that is cold hardy! Height 4-5', spread 3-4'.

Miniature Snowflake Mockorange

(*Philadelphus* x 'Miniature Snowflake')—Double, fragrant flowers. Compact, dwarf shrub. Heavy bloomer. Originally selected as a branch sport of 'Minnesota Snowflake' by a nursery in Minnesota. Height 3-4', spread 2-3'.

NANDINA

Nandina is a beautiful plant, however its use in our area needs to be tempered with the knowledge that winter hardiness can be an issue. For best results we would recommend planting in protected areas such as southern exposures, mulch heavily and expect that some years will be better than others. Prune out deadwood in the spring and allow new growth from the base to fill the plant back in through the growing season. Size will vary by selection.

Fire Power Nandina

(*Nandina domestica* var. *nana* 'Fire Power')—Dense, mounding, more vigorous growing form with lacy leaves and spectacular red fall foliage color that carries into the winter. This is a dwarf form. Height 12-18", spread 18-24".

Sienna Sunrise Nandina

(*Nandina domestica* 'Monfar')—Intense, fiery-red new growth in the spring that changes to lush green through the summer. Red color returns to the foliage in the fall and remains through the winter. Winter hardiness can be an issue so plant only in very protected locations. Height 3-4', spread 2-3'.

NEW JERSEY TEA

New Jersey Tea

(*Ceanothus americanus*)—This plant can be found growing natively throughout much of the midwest. Produces small clusters of white flowers early in the summer. Plant in well-drained soil. Tolerates pretty rough conditions. Height 3-4', spread 3-5'.

NINEBARK

Amber Jubilee Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Amber Jubilee' TM ('Jefam'))—A more compact selection. New growth emerges with stunning yellow-orange tinged foliage that fully matures to a nice lime-green. Height 5-6', spread 4-5'.

Diablo Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Monlo')—This stunning selection of Common Ninebark has brilliant reddish-purple spring foliage similar to the purple-leaved plums. Clusters of white flowers in the spring add to the show. Plant in full sun. Renew by pruning to the ground in the spring if needed. Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

Little Devil Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Donna May')—A great little plant in a great little package! This more compact, dwarf form still comes with wonderful deep burgundy foliage and contrasting white-pink flowers late in the spring. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

Petite Plum Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Petite Plum' TM ('POIPD2'))— A compact, mounded form with striking burgundy foliage. Showy pink to white flowers in the spring. Tough! Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

Summer Wine Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Seward')—An impressive selection with wonderful, dark crimson-red leaves and a neat, compact habit. White to pinkish white flowers in the spring really stand out against the dark foliage. Use this plant to add a splash of color in the landscape. Height 4-6', spread 5-6'.

NEW!—Tiny Wine Ninebark

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'SMPOTW')—A dwarf form with small bronze-maroon foliage. Small clusters of pink to white flowers in the spring. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

PEARLBUSH

Lotus Moon Pearlbush

(*Exochorda x macrantha*)—This amazing little plant is literally covered with cascading, pure white flower clusters in the spring. Stunning! Height 4-5', spread 3-5'.

PLUM

Cistina Plum

(*Prunus x cistina*)— A popular shrub because of its stunning, reddish-purple foliage. Also produces attractive, light pink, fragrant flowers in the spring. Needs full sun and well-drained soils. Height 6-8', spread 5-6'.

POTENTILLA

Potentilla

(*Potentilla fruticosa*)—A refined, graceful shrub with beautiful, deeply lobed, bright green foliage. Brilliant strawberry-like blooms smother the plant in color throughout the summer. Prune back to 12-18" in early spring for best appearance. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Dakota Sunspot' ('Fargo')—Vivid yellow flowers and compact growth habit.

'Goldfinger'—Rich golden-yellow flowers and excellent heat tolerance.

'Pink Beauty'—Clear pink flowers in abundance! Color fades to white in hot weather.

PRIVET

Cheyenne Privet

(*Ligustrum vulgare* 'Cheyenne')—One of the best shrubs for planting a formal or trimmed hedge. Dark green foliage and a dense growth habit. This easy to grow shrub is very tolerant of heavy shearing. If left untrimmed, shrub will develop a large rounded habit and will actually have attractive white flowers in the spring and small black fruits by fall. Very hardy! Height 2-10', spread 2-10'.

Golden Vicary Privet

(*Ligustrum x vicaryi*)—A popular yellow-leaved hybrid introduced from England. Bright yellow foliage provides color all season long. Extremely tolerant of pruning. May freeze back some in extremely cold winters but quickly regrows. Height 4-8', spread 4-6'.

PUSSY WILLOW

French Pussy Willow

(*Salix caprea*)—An old-time garden favorite. Popular because of its showy, 1-2" long, fuzzy blooms also known as catkins that emerge early in the spring. Easy to grow. Forced stems in the house are a sure sign spring is right around the corner. Height 8-12', spread 6-8'.

Weeping Pussy Willow

(*Salix caprea* 'Pendula')—A stunning specimen plant! Very graceful, cascading foliage hangs to the ground. Looks great around water, spilling over a retaining wall or anywhere where its unique appearance can be enjoyed. Likes moisture. Height and spread can be controlled through pruning.

PYRACANTHA

Lowboy Pyracantha

(*Pyracantha coccinea* 'Lowboy')— A useful low-growing form. Showy white flowers in the spring and bright orange clusters of fruit in the fall. Semi-evergreen foliage adds additional winter interest. Height 3-4', spread 5-6'.

Yukon Belle Pyracantha

(*Pyracantha coccinea* 'Monon')—A good hardy selection that produces numerous clusters of bright orange berries in the fall following white flowers in the spring. Semi-evergreen foliage is great cover for birds, but is also effective as a windbreak or visual barrier. Height 6-10', spread 6-10'.

QUINCE

Orange Storm Quince

(*Chaenomeles x 'Double Take Orange Storm'*)—Large, double, bright orange, camellia-like flowers early in the spring. Blooms last for a long time and best yet, it's thornless! Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

Scarlet Storm Quince

(*Chaenomeles x 'Double Take Scarlet Storm'*)—Large, double, camellia-like flowers early in the spring. Blooms last for a long time and it's thornless! Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

Texas Scarlet Flowering Quince

(*Chaenomeles speciosa* 'Texas Scarlet')—An extremely popular dwarf form of the old-

Why don't my Hollies produce berries?!

Hollies produce male and female flowers on separate plants. The female flowers develop into the colorful fruits; the male flowers pollinate the female flowers making the fruit production possible. Plant female forms if you want showy fruits but remember to plant at least one appropriate male form nearby to act as a pollinator.

Evergreen Hollies

Female Selection Male Pollinator

'Blue Princess' 'Blue Prince'

'Castle Spire' 'Castle Wall'

'China Girl' 'China Boy'

'Red Beauty' 'Blue Prince'

Deciduous Hollies

Female Selection Male Pollinator

'Red Sprite' 'Jim Dandy'

fashioned flowering quince. Dark green, glossy compact growth. Attractive scarlet-red flowers early in the spring. Extremely tough! Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

RHODODENDRON

Rhododendrons are broadleaf evergreens that need a little extra care. They should be planted in acid soil that has been well amended with organic matter and sited away from the hot rays of our summer sun such as a north or east exposure. Mulch well and keep moist, but not wet, through dry weather.

Catawba Rhododendron

(*Rhododendron catawbiense*)—Very hardy rhododendron with large, leathery evergreen leaves. Flowers borne in large, 5-6" trusses in the spring. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

'Nova Zembla'—Red flowers with just a hint of violet.

'Roseum Elegans'—Lavender-pink to rosy-purple flowers.

P. J. M. Rhododendron

(*Rhododendron* 'P. J. M. Hybrids')—Very hardy rhododendron with small, dark green foliage that turns plum-purple in the fall. Bright flowers in the spring. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Compacta'—A vigorous form with larger flower clusters, more stout branching and more robust, thicker foliage. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

ROSE

If you are looking for a low-maintenance shrub that will provide color all season long then look no further. The shrub roses listed below will just do that. Numerous selections have been made through the years that have drastically improved the winter hardiness and disease resistance of this group as well as increasing flower production and decreasing the amount of care it takes to produce those blooms. Not just for the "rose garden" any more, shrub roses can and should be utilized like any other shrub in the landscape. Plant in full sun and enjoy the flowers.

Drift Rose

(*Rosa* x 'Drift' Series)—These shrub roses are kind of a cross between groundcover roses and miniatures. They have a nice low, spreading habit and are covered with abundant flowers throughout the season. These forms have been selected not only for their beauty, but also for their disease resistance and winter hardiness. Best yet, they are easy to grow!

'Apricot' ('Meimirrote')—Beautiful, double apricot blooms on a small, low-growing plant. A tough selection with greater disease resistance and winter hardiness. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Peach' ('Meiggili')—A low-growing selection, covered with small, soft peach colored blooms

all season long. A tough, disease resistant plant with good winter hardiness. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Pink' ('Meijocos')—Produces mass quantities of deep pink flowers with a soft faded center all season long. A tough, disease resistant plant with good winter hardiness. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Popcorn' ('Novarospop')—The color starts out yellow and then fades to a creamy-white. A low-growing selection with good disease resistance and winter hardiness. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Red' ('Meigalpio')—This low-growing selection is covered with small, medium red flowers all season long. Very tough and disease resistant plant with good winter hardiness. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

Easy Elegance Rose

(*Rosa* x 'Easy Elegance')—These roses have been bred for superior hardiness and disease resistance along with phenomenal flowers and repeat blooms. All are grown on their own roots. Size will vary by selection.

'Kashmir' ('BALmir')—Large, velvety red flowers more typical of a hybrid tea rose. Good fragrance and disease resistance. Height 3-4', spread 2-3'.



NEW!—'Music Box' ('BALbox')—Beautiful creamy-yellow and pink flowers. Good winter hardiness and disease resistance. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'Sweet Fragrance' ('BALnce')—Abundant, sweetly fragrant flowers from spring until frost. Blooms start a mix of coral, orange and yellow, opening to apricot and maturing to salmon-pink. Excellent disease resistance. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Yellow Brick Road' ('BALoad')—Welcome to the Land of Oz! This small, rounded, compact plant is covered with lemon-yellow flowers throughout the season. Blooms mature to a butter-cream. Excellent black spot resistance. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Yellow Submarine' ('BALine')—Flowers are lemon-yellow, aging to soft yellow and finally to white creating quite a color show. Slightly more upright in habit. Disease resistant foliage. Height 3-4', spread 2-3'.

Flower Carpet Rose

(*Rosa* hybrids)—A stunning group of groundcover-type shrub roses that provides delicate rose flowers, glossy, deep green, disease resistant foliage and non-stop blooms all summer. Freedom of care and maintenance make these excellent additions to the landscape.

'Amber' ('NOA97400A')—Flowers are peachy-orange, semi-double and fragrant, each with a yellow center and tinges of red toward the outside. Blooms fade to a soft seashell-pink. Exceptional disease resistance and very floriferous habit. Height 2-2 1/2', spread 3-4'.

'Coral' ('Noala')—Flowers open a wonderful coral, fading to pink as they age. Produces an abundance of flowers from late spring until frost. A lower maintenance selection with improved disease resistance and winter hardiness. Height 2-2 1/2', spread 3-4'.

'Pink Supreme' ('Noa168098F')—This is a new generation pink Flower Carpet Rose with a more compact habit. Heavy blooming from spring until frost. Fantastic disease resistance and exceptional winter hardiness. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Red' ('Noare')—Carmine-red flowers with bright yellow centers. The most popular of the Flower Carpet series and understandably so. Heavy bloomer all season long. Good disease resistance. Height 3-4', spread 3-5'.

'Scarlet' ('NOA83100B')—This selection in the Flower Carpet Series has double, bright scarlet-red flowers throughout the season. Exhibits excellent disease resistance and increased winter hardiness. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'White' ('Noaschnee')—The astonishingly large, pure white flowers on this groundcover rose emit a very subtle but sweet perfume. A wonderful addition to the moonlight garden or near a patio to enjoy during the early evening hours. Height 2-2 1/2', spread 2-3'.

Knock Out Rose

(*Rosa* x 'Radrazz')—One of the toughest and most disease resistant roses we carry. Produces abundant clusters of bright cherry-red blooms and wonderful rich green foliage. Blooms heavily all summer. Very hardy! Height 3-5', spread 3-4'.

'Carefree Sunshine' ('RADsun')—This introduction comes from the same breeder that gave us 'Knockout'. Bright yellow flowers from spring until frost with excellent disease resistance. Height 3-4', spread 4-5'.

'Double Knock Out' ('Radtko')—A double-flowering selection from the popular 'Knock Out' Rose. Still has the same great bright cherry-red flower color, disease resistance and winter hardiness as 'Knock Out'. Blooms continuously from late spring until frost. Attractive deep burgundy new growth. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

SERVICEBERRY

Saskatoon Serviceberry

(*Amelanchier alnifolia*)—This is a smaller-growing, shrubbier species of Serviceberry that has given rise to most of the selections grown commercially for their fruit. Attractive white flowers in the spring followed by juicy, sweet, bluish-purple fruits. Fabulous yellow, orange and red fall color. A very hardy native to the Great Plains. Height 10-15', spread 10-15'.

'**Regent**'—A compact form of Saskatoon Serviceberry with exceptional foliage and abundant, large, extra sweet berries. Native forms of this plant were heavily used by the Prairie Indians for food. Great eating! Height 4-6', spread 4-8'.

SMOKETREE

Smoketree

(*Cotinus* sp.)—Smoketrees are often grown as small multi-stemmed trees, but did you know that they can also be grown as big shrubs? They actually work great in that application as well, so we include a reminder of that here. We offer a nice variety of selections, many in both shrub and tree forms. **You will find information about them in our Tree Section under the listing SMOKETREE.**

SPICEBUSH

Spicebush

(*Lindera benzoin*)—An interesting native shrub that prefers moist, lightly shaded locations. Small, yellow, early spring flowers followed by bright scarlet fruits about a half an inch long (on female plants only). A strong spice odor is detectable from all parts of the plant. This is an important host plant to butterflies in the Swallowtail family. Height 6-10', spread 6-10'.

SPIREA

Petit Bleu Blue-Spirea

(*Caryopteris x clandonensis* 'Minibleu')—A more compact selection, still with deep blue flowers and dark green foliage. For best appearance, treat as a perennial and cut back to 3-6" each spring. Plant in well-drained soil. Height 2-2 1/2', spread 2-3'.

Bridalwreath Spirea

(*Spiraea prunifolia*)—An old-time favorite with a fantastic display of beautiful, double, white flowers early in the spring. Develops into a large, suckering shrub. Flowers are followed by dark green, glossy foliage. Height 4-8', spread 6-8'.

Dwarf Spirea

(*Spiraea* species and hybrids)—A large group of Spireas with many varying characteristics, but a few basic similarities, compact size and the ability to rebloom throughout the season. Very

tough and easy to grow, Dwarf Spirea provides a season full of brilliant color. Spring starts with an explosion of brightly colored foliage; bronzes, greens, russets and golds. Summertime brings an abundance of flowers, from crimson-red to rosy-pink to pure white, repeatedly produced in flushes until frost. Brightly colored foliage continues to adorn the plant and then in the fall, leaves take on a wonderful burgundy to finish off a spectacular season of color. If you wish to enhance flower and foliage production, prune back to 12-18" each spring, and prune lightly each time blooms finish. This may just be the perfect plant!

'**Anthony Waterer**' (*S. x bumalda* 'Anthony Waterer')—Sometimes called Red Spirea, this selection has bright rosy-red flowers and green foliage tipped with tinges of red. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'**Golden Elf**' (*S. japonica* 'Golden Elf')—This golden-leaf beauty is an incredibly dwarf Spirea with a spreading habit. A wonderful selection for adding a bright spot of color to a tiny niche in your landscape. Height 6-8", spread 18-24".

'**Goldflame**' (*S. x bumalda* 'Goldflame')—New growth is a wonderful combination of russet-orange and bronze-red, changing to a soft yellow-green. Flowers are pale pink. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'**Goldmound**' (*S. x Goldmound*)—A brightly colored hybrid, with golden-yellow leaves. Pale pink flowers. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'**Little Princess**' (*S. japonica* 'Little Princess')—Bright green foliage and light pink flowers. Extremely popular! Height 24-30", spread 2-3'.

'**Magic Carpet**' (*S. japonica* 'Magic Carpet')—Much like a miniature 'Goldflame', this selection has multi-colored foliage with combinations of bronze and russet-red giving way to light green. Flowers are bright pink and abundant. Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'**Shirobana**' (*S. japonica* 'Shirobana')—An interesting form with white, pink, and rosy-pink flowers all on the same plant. Foliage is bright green. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

Snowmound Spirea

(*Spiraea nipponica* 'Snowmound')—An excellent dwarf shrub with dense, dark green foliage and masses of pure white flowers. Flowers similar to 'Vanhoutte' but provides the owner with a plant that is smaller in stature. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

Thunberg Spirea

(*Spiraea thunbergii*)—A tough selection with wispy, fine-textured, "willow-like" foliage and a graceful growth habit. Blooms early in the spring with small, 1/3" diameter flowers before leaves emerge. Yellow to orange fall color.

'**Mellow Yellow**' ('Ogon')—Wispy, fine textured foliage is bright yellow instead of green. Great for color contrast in the garden. Snow-white flowers in the spring. Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

'**Pink Double Knock Out**' ('Radtkopink')—Like the name says, this is a double pink flowering form and another great introduction through the Knock Out series. It blooms heavily, has tremendous disease resistance and winter hardiness. A great low maintenance plant. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'**Sunny Knock Out**' ('Radsunny')—From the same rose breeder that brought us 'Knock Out'. Great disease resistance and wonderful dark green foliage. Flowers open bright yellow, turning creamy-white when fully open. Height 4-5', spread 3-4'.

Climbing Rose

A climbing rose from the same rose breeder and program that gives us the Knock Out Roses Series!

Although these roses are technically not Knock Out Roses, they are from the same rose breeder and the same rose breeding program that gives us the Knock Out Series. They share the same impressive qualities as the others, like great disease resistance, improved winter hardiness and lots and lots of flowers. We think you will enjoy them.

'**Ramblin' Red**' ('RADramblin')—A tremendous red climbing rose! Flowers are a rich, true red and borne in abundance all season long. Extremely disease resistant and also has great winter hardiness, rated at being hardy to 30 degrees below zero! If you are looking for a great red climber, this is it! Height 6-10', spread 5-10',

Rugosa Rose

(*Rosa rugosa*)—A very tough, virtually disease free rose. Heavy spring bloomer and then repeating sporadically through the rest of the season. Flowers may be single or double, white to pink and are followed by beautiful orange to brick-red rose hips (small fruits). Fall color varies from yellow to bronze, orange or red. This is a great plant. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

'**Therese Bugnet**'—A great Rugosa hybrid. Beautiful old-fashioned looking mauve-pink flowers with a wonderful spicy fragrance. Deep red foliage color in the fall and wine-red stems through the winter round out the year. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

'**White**' ('Alba')—A tough, hardy selection with all the same characteristics as the species but with white flowers. Attractive orange-red rose hips in the fall. Useful for tough sites. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

Other Hardy Shrub Roses—We have other fantastic shrub rose selections to offer as well in the spring season.

For more information on the varieties available, check out the ROSE section of this catalog.

Tor Spirea

(*Spiraea betulifolia* 'Tor')—A very dense, rounded shrub with a multitude of white flower clusters in the spring. Iridescent, light green summer foliage turns a vivid purple in the fall. This selection has some of the most sensational fall color you will come across and is truly worth planting for that feature alone. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Glow Girl' ('Tor Gold')—This is a gold-leaf version of Tor. It has great spring flowers, awesome summer foliage, great reddish-orange fall color and a very useful, compact habit. It's just a great plant! Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

Vanhoutte Spirea

(*Spiraea x vanhouttei* 'Renaissance')—One of the toughest shrubs around! Well known for its outstanding display of white flowers in the spring that cover its gracefully arching branches. Easy to grow and very tolerant of a wide range of growing conditions. Often mistakenly called Bridalwreath Spirea. Orange-red fall color. Height 6-8', spread 8-10'.

SUMAC

Fragrant Sumac

(*Rhus aromatica*)—This is a very tough, native shrub with outstanding ornamental characteristics. Summer foliage is a lustrous dark green. Leaves in fall will range from orange to red to reddish-purple. Yellowish flowers appear early in spring and female plants will produce small fuzzy red fruits in fall. Tolerates dry soils and grows in full sun to part shade. Height 4-6', spread 5-8'.

'Gro-low'—This is a popular low-growing form, great for use as a groundcover for tough areas from dry shade and tree competition to hot, exposed, open sites. It is a female form with good flowers and fruit. Fall color is orange-red to red. Very tolerant of trimming. Height 2-3', spread 6-8'.

Staghorn Sumac

(*Rhus typhina*)—An interesting plant. Large compound leaves are made up of numerous, small leaflets, creating a soft texture. Unusual clusters of crimson fruits appear at the tops of branches late in the summer and carry their effect into the winter. Wonderful fall color with leaves taking on reds, oranges, and yellows. Open, coarse branch structure through the winter, reminiscent of the antlers of a male deer, giving rise to the name "Staghorn". Very tough plant that requires little care once established. Height 8-12', spread 10-15'.

'Cutleaf' ('Laciniata')—Very similar to the species but with fine cut foliage that gives the plant a more feathery appearance. Fantastic fall color. Height 8-12', spread 10-15'.

'Tigereye' ('Baitiger')—A bright yellow variation of the ever popular Cutleaf Staghorn Sumac. Stunning golden-yellow foliage through the summer changing to brilliant

orange to scarlet-red in the fall. A beautiful plant for mass plantings or for specimen use. Very tolerant of dry, site conditions. Use this plant in combination with drought tolerant perennials for a dramatic effect. Height 6-8', spread 12-15'.

SWEETSPIRE

Henry's Garnet Virginia

Sweetspire

(*Itea virginica* 'Henry's Garnet')—Beautiful, fragrant white flowers up to 6" long in June-July and bright green, lustrous foliage that turns to shades of crimson, scarlet and purple in the fall. The foliage tends to hang on into mid-winter adding to appearance of the winter landscape. Rounded, arching shrub. Height 3-5', spread 4-6'. A 2001 Pride of Kansas selection.

Little Henry Virginia Sweetspire

(*Itea virginica* 'Sprich')—A more compact Sweetspire with excellent purple-red fall color. Sweetly scented, pure white flowers in early spring. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

NEW!— Short N' Sweet Virginia

Sweetspire

(*Itea virginica* 'Merlot')—A fantastic dwarf introduction selected for its impressive red fall color and compact habit. Wonderful white, lightly fragrant flowers late in the spring. Tolerates most soils including moist areas. Height 2 1/2-3 1/2', spread 3-5'.

VIBURNUM

Well-known horticulturist Michael Dirr once wrote, "A garden without Viburnums is akin to life without music and art," and nothing could be more true. Viburnums are very hardy and well adapted to Kansas conditions. Depending on the selection, they grow in full sun to considerable shade and offer a tremendous variation of floral, fruit, foliage and growth characteristics. There really is a Viburnum for almost every situation.

Arrowwood Viburnum

(*Viburnum dentatum*)—Lustrous, deep green foliage forms a dense, rounded shrub. Creamy white flowers in the spring, glossy red to reddish-purple fall color and blue to blue-black fruits that are good for wildlife make this an excellent selection. This viburnum adapts well to difficult sites.

'Blue Blaze' ('Blubzam')—A dense, low-growing dwarf form with exceptional ornamental characteristics. Lustrous green summer foliage changing to deep wine-red in the fall. Loads of creamy-white flowers in the spring followed by an abundant display of blue berries late in the season. Height 4-5', spread 5-6'.

'Deam' ('Deamii')—Exceptionally lustrous green foliage through the summer changing to outstanding raspberry-red to reddish-

purple in the fall. Creamy-white, non-fragrant flowers in the spring followed by brilliant blue-black fruits later in the season. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'Red Feather' ('J.N. Select')—Selected for both its impressive two-toned, maroon and rich green spring foliage as well as its reddish-purple fall color. Creamy-white flowers followed by blue clusters of small berry-like fruits. Height 8-10', spread 10-12'.

Blackhaw Viburnum

(*Viburnum prunifolium* and related species)—An extremely hardy Viburnum, useful as a very large shrub or an attractive small tree. Creamy-white flowers in the spring produce highly edible, pinkish, rose to black fruits late in the summer through the fall. Excellent burgundy fall colors. Good for eating and great for birds. Used for preserves since colonial times. Height 10-15', spread 10-15'.

'Nannyberry' (*V. lentago*)—A large suckering shrub or small tree. Glossy, dark green turns purplish-red in the fall. Creamy-white flowers are followed by persistent clusters of bluish-black fruits. Good winter food for birds. Very adaptable plant. Will grow in moist or dry soil, in sun or shade. Height 15-20', spread 10-15'.

'Prairie Knight' (*V. rufidulum*)—Selected from a lot of seedlings because of its superior characteristics. Beautiful form with an exceptionally full habit and amazing, lustrous, dark-green foliage. Attractive flowers and fruit typical of the species. A tough plant made for Kansas conditions. Height 10-15', spread 10-15'.

'Rusty Blackhaw' (*V. rufidulum*)—A handsome species with lustrous dark green foliage. Clusters of creamy-white flowers in the spring followed by clusters of dark blue fruits. Leaves turn a rich burgundy in the fall. Makes an attractive large shrub or small ornamental tree. Tremendously tough! Height 10-15', spread 10-15'.

Cranberrybush Viburnum

(*Viburnum* species)—The species included here all share similar floral, fruit and foliage characteristics. Leaves are 3-lobed like a maple. Flowers are white and borne in lacecap-type structures consisting of center cluster of small, fertile flowers surrounded by large, showy, sterile flowers. Fruits are bright red, small in size (1/4-1/3"), produced in large clusters and obviously reminiscent of a cranberry, hence the name, and birds love them.

'Compact' (*V. opulus* 'Compactum')—A compact form of the European Cranberrybush Viburnum. Showy white flowers in the spring followed by scarlet-red fruits that persist through the winter. Excellent for wildlife and landscape plantings. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

'Dwarf Cranberry' (*V. opulus* 'Nanum')—A tiny selection of a very large plant. Grown for its foliage, this cultivar rarely produces flowers. Growth is extremely dense and compact. Makes for an attractive plant, useful for tight areas. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Snowball' (*V. opulus* 'Roseum')—An old-

time garden favorite! Produces a multitude of large, 2 1/2-3", snowball-like clusters of flowers in the spring. It is easy to see why its called Snowball Bush! This is actually a sterile selection, so there is no fruit production. Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

Doublefile Viburnum

(*Viburnum plicatum* var. *tomentosum*)—This species can be separated into two forms, the Doublefile Viburnums (var. *tomentosum*) with their lacecap-type flowers and the Japanese Snowball Viburnums (straight species) with their snowball-type flowers. Flowers on both are white and produced in May, but only the Doublefiles will then produce fruit, red to black, in July to August. Fruits are excellent for attracting birds! Horizontal growth habit on many forms makes this plant look similar to Flowering Dogwood. Fall color is usually impressive and is usually reddish-purple. Plants benefit from a little extra water through dry stretches of summer weather.

'Copper Ridges'—An impressive selection with heavily textured foliage that almost looks like a green ruffled potato chip. Bright white spring flowers after leaves have emerged and maroon foliage color in the fall. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'Maresii'—An improved selection with a large growth habit. An impressive display of pure white flowers in the spring. Good reddish-purple fall color. Fruit set is variable. Height 8-12', spread 8-12'.

'Summer Snowflake'—Clusters of white flowers appear in the late spring and continue until frost. Wonderful for its long blooming period. We typically don't see this form producing fruit. Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

Fragrant Viburnum

(*Viburnum farreri*)—A rather loose growing shrub with clusters of fragrant, pinkish-white flowers very early in the spring. Foliage is bronzy-green in the spring, maturing to dark green for the summer and changing to reddish-purple for the fall. Height 8-12', spread 8-12'.

'Dwarf' ('Nanum')—A delightful, compact, dwarf selection growing only 2-3' tall. produces fragrant, pinkish-white flowers very early in the spring. Will occasionally produce some flowers in the fall. Height 2-3', spread 4-6'.

Fragrant Snowball-Type

Viburnum

(*Viburnum* species and hybrids.)—This is a collection of several related species and their numerous hybrids. While having slightly different characteristics, they all do share some similarities. In the spring all produce a snowball type flower, ranging from 2" in diameter to 5 and 6" in diameter depending on the selection. Most have a fantastically, sweet, spicy fragrance, making them an absolute must in the garden. All are attractive, full shrubs, perfect for use in the landscape in a variety of ways. Height and spread will vary with selection.

'Burkwood' (*V. x burkwoodii*)—A large, semi-

evergreen selection with highly fragrant, white, snowball-like flowers early in the spring. Extremely glossy, dark green foliage. Height 8-10', spread 6-8'.

'Cayuga' (*V. x 'Cayuga'*)—A beautiful Korean Spice Viburnum hybrid introduced from the U.S. National Arboretum in Washington. Large, highly fragrant, 4-5" diameter clusters of flowers early in the spring. A must have! Height 6-8', Spread 5-6'.

'Compact Korean Spice' (*V. carlesii* 'Compactum')—This Korean Spice selection is one of the best dwarf forms available. Beautifully fragrant, white flowers in the spring followed by dark green foliage through the summer, all in a more compact package. Perfect for use where space is limited. Height 2 1/2-3 1/2', spread 2 1/2-3 1/2'.

'Conoy' (*V. x burkwoodii* 'Conoy')—A wonderful, small Viburnum released from a U.S. National Arboretum breeding program. This dense plant has lustrous, dark green, semi evergreen foliage and abundant, snowball like white flowers with little or no fragrance. Has the potential for heavy fruit production as well. Height 4-5', spread 5-8'.

'Eskimo' (*V. x 'Eskimo'*)—A complex hybrid with a nice compact, small habit. Great floral show in the spring with an amazing display of 3-4" diameter, pure white flower clusters. Unfortunately flowers have little to no fragrance, but the plant makes up for it with the quantity of blooms produced. Summer foliage is a rich, glossy green and semi-evergreen, offering some winter interest as well. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

'Fragrant' (*V. x carlcephalum*)—The largest of the fragrant, semi-snowball Viburnums. Flower clusters are larger, up to 5-6" in diameter, pink in bud, finally opening pure white, and intensely fragrant. It is one of the latest semi-snowball types to bloom. Height 6-10', spread 6-10'.

'Juddi' (*V. x juddii*)—A Korean Spice hybrid that has amazingly fragrant, white flowers. Dark green summer foliage and reddish-wine fall color. Height 6-8', spread 5-6'.

'Korean Spice' (*V. carlesii*)—An old time garden staple. Light pink buds that open to pure white. Outstanding fragrance! Height 5-6', spread 4-5'.

'Mohawk' (*V. x burkwoodii* 'Mohawk')—One of the best! Early spring blooms start as bright red buds, changing to pink and finally opening to intensely fragrant, pure white flowers. Summer foliage is lustrous dark green changing to vibrant orange-reds to reddish-purples in the fall. A definite must for the garden! Height 6-8', spread 5-6'.

'Pink Dawn' (*V. bodnantense* 'Pink Dawn')—An early blooming hybrid selection with fragrant, rose-budded flowers that open to light pink. Green leaves develop a rich burgundy fall color. Height 6-8', spread 6-7'.

NEW!—'Spice Baby' (*V. carlesii* 'SMVCB')—

A more compact form of Korean Spice Viburnum. White spring flowers are highly fragrant, filling the garden with their spicy scent. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

NEW!—'Sugar n' Spice' (*V. carlesii* 'J.N. Select S')—The flower clusters are slightly smaller on this form but they are more plentiful...a pretty good trade! Sweet-spicy fragrance typical of the species. A great garden addition! Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'The Blues'—This selection of Korean Spice Viburnum is identical to the species with one big exception, foliage that matures to a distinctive blue-green. The darker, richer color makes it a stand out against the competition and of course, early spring blooms have an amazing fragrance typical of the species. A Classic Viburnums of Nebraska introduction. Height 5-6', spread 4-6'.

Leatherleaf Viburnum and Related Selections

(*Viburnum* species and hybrids)—This group of closely related species and hybrids provide us with some very valuable landscape plants. Selections are typically extremely tough and durable as well as being highly ornamental. Several have semi-evergreen tendencies that can be used to provide additional winter interest. While all produce attractive flowers in the spring, not all produce truly impressive fruit displays, but those that do are dramatic.

'Alleghany' (*V. x rhytidophylloides* 'Alleghany')—A fantastic, tough hybrid released from a U.S. National Arboretum breeding program. This deciduous to semi-evergreen form is great for use as a screen or a border. Showy, creamy-white flowers in the spring, dark green leathery foliage in the summer and bright red fruits late in the season. Fast growing. This selection is a hybrid of Leatherleaf Viburnum (*V. rhytidophyllum*) and 'Mohican' (*V. lantana* 'Mohican'). Height 8-10', spread 8-10'.

'Cree' (*V. rhytidophyllum* 'Cree')—A more compact form of Leatherleaf Viburnum introduced from the U.S. National Arboretum. Dark green leaves are evergreen to semi-evergreen into the winter. Abundant production of white flowers in the spring followed by red fruits, changing to black. Height 6-8', spread 6-8'.

'Decker' (*V. x pragense* 'Decker')—A selection of Pragense Viburnum made for its lustrous dark green leaves, pink-budded flowers that open to white, and exceptional hardiness. Height 6-10', spread 6-8'.

'Emerald Triumph' (*V. x 'Emerald Triumph'*)—A recent introduction with exceptional characteristics. Compact growth, lustrous dark green foliage, outstanding white 2-3" flowers, showy red fruits, and intense red to orange fall color. Extremely heat and cold hardy as well. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

'Leatherleaf' (*V. rhytidophyllum*)—This is a

semi-evergreen species with large, heavily textured, leathery leaves. Creamy-white flowers in the spring. Useful for borders, privacy screens and windbreak plantings. Tolerates quite a bit of shade, but does equally well in full sun. A good, tough species for Kansas landscapes that has been combined with other forms to produce some amazing hybrids selections. Those are listed below along with some other closely related species. Height 10-12', spread 10-12.

'Mini Man' (*V. burejaeticum* 'Mini Man')—The compact size of this miniaturized version of the Manchurian *Viburnum* makes this form a real possibility for the garden. A dense, rounded shrub with white flowers in the spring, red to blue-black fruits in the summer and rusty-red leaves in the fall equals lots of seasonal interest. Very tough plant! Height 4-6', spread 4-6'.

Linden Viburnum

(*Viburnum dilatatum*)—Creamy-white flowers literally smother this plant in the spring and are followed by bright cherry-red to scarlet fruit. The fall color ranges from a russet-red to a deep, rich burgundy. A full three-seasons of color make this an outstanding shrub.

'Cardinal Candy' (*'Henneke'*)—A fantastic selection with improved winter hardiness and an abundant crop of bright, scarlet-red fruits. Beautiful display of white flowers in the spring and russet-red to bronze foliage in the fall. Outstanding for its fruit display! Height 5-6', spread 4-6'.

Witherod -Type Viburnum

'Brandywine' (*V. nudum* 'Bulk')—Fabulous fruits! An impressive display of green, ivory, pink and blue berries decorating the plant towards the end of summer. Bright green foliage turns dark maroon-red in the fall. Plant with another variety for better fruit production. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

NEW!—'Li' Ditty' (*V. cassinoides* 'SMNVCCD')—A dwarf selection with the same great flowers, fruits and foliage of the species. Tolerates heavy soils. Needs to be planted with other forms of Witherod *Viburnum* if good fruit set is desired so cross-pollination can occur. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Winterthur' (*V. nudum* 'Winterthur')—This is actually a selection from a closely related species commonly known as Smooth Witherod *Viburnum*. A beautiful plant with lustrous, dark green foliage. Creamy-white flowers late in the spring followed by clusters of fruit that change from green to pink, then from pink to blue, and finally from blue to black late in the season. All colors are often present in the same fruit cluster. Fall color is stunning as well, ranging from red to reddish-purple. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

VITEX

Blue Puffball Vitex

(*Vitex agnus-castus* 'PIIVAC-II')—A true dwarf form with the same great flowers and foliage of the larger forms. Deep blue flowers from summer to fall. This is a winter tender shrub, so treat it like a perennial and cut back hard each spring to 6-12". New growth quickly develops in the spring and will bear flowers by summer. Thrives in our summer heat! Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

Delta Blues Vitex

(*Vitex agnus-castus* 'PIIVAC-I')—A compact selection with great blue-purple flowers in the summer. This is a winter tender shrub, so treat it like a perennial and cut back hard each spring to 6-12". New growth quickly develops in the spring and will bear flowers by summer. Thrives in our summer heat! Height 3-5', spread 3-5'.

WAHOO

Eastern Wahoo

(*Euonymus atropurpureus*)—A native plant, useful for wildlife plantings and naturalizing. Small, four-lobed capsules opens late in the season to reveal bright crimson fruits. A close relative of Burning Bush. Height 6-12', spread 6-12'.

WEIGELA

Old Fashioned Weigela

(*Weigela florida*)—A tough, reliable shrub that puts on a display of brilliant funnel-shaped flowers in late spring with a second flush appearing in late summer. Arching branches form a dense, compact shrub.

NEW!—'Crimson Kisses' ('Slingco 1')—Dwarf, compact habit with bright, lipstick red flowers in the spring and then reblooming sporadically into the summer. Height 2-3', spread 2-3'.

'Dark Horse'—A great compact form with rich deep burgundy foliage and contrasting dark pink flowers. Stays very small making it useful for those places where space is limited. Great foliage color! Height 18-24", spread 2-3'.

'Fine Wine' ('Bramwell')—The same great foliage color of 'Wine & Roses' with a much smaller, more compact habit. Deep burgundy foliage all season long. Great for the front of borders and landscape beds. Height 2-4', spread 3-4'.

'Magical Fantasy' ('Kolsunn')—Dramatic variegated foliage and prolific flowers. Leaves are dark green with a white margin and flowers are bright pink. All season color and interest. Height 3-4', spread 4-5'.

'Midnight Wine' ('Elvera')—WOW! Dark, metallic, burgundy-purple foliage and intense rosy-pink flowers on a compact, dense shrub. This one will knock your socks off! Height 12-18", spread 18-24'.

'Minuet'—An excellent dwarf form with ruby-red flowers. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'My Monet' ('Verwig')—A dwarf selection with green and white variegated foliage and purplish-pink flowers. A great compact plant for the front of borders. Height 12-18", spread 12-18".

NEW!—'Sonic Bloom Red' ('Verwig 6')—Bright, lipstick red flowers in the spring and then repeating periodically through the rest of the growing season. Height 5-6', spread 5-6'.

'Spilled Wine' ('Bokraspiwi')—Slightly smaller than 'Wine & Roses' but with the same great burgundy foliage color. Spring bloms are bright pink. Height 3-4', spread 3-4'.

'Variegated Dwarf' ('Variegata Nana')—New growth has bright green leaves with creamy-white margins. A compact habit and light, rosy-pink blossoms make this an outstanding plant. Height 3-4', spread 4-5'.

'Wine & Roses' ('Alexandra')—Dark burgundy-purple leaves and hot rose-pink flowers create a dramatic effect. Height 4-5', spread 4-5'.

WILLOW

Flamingo Dappled Willow

(*Salix integra* 'Flamingo')—Vibrant spring growth is a stunning combination of pink, green and white foliage. Color will fade to green over the season. This shrub or tree-like form does best in light shade. The tree-like form is the result of grafting on top of a short trunk. Prune both forms in the spring for best appearance. Shrub; Height 3-6', spread 3-6'. Tree form; 3-6', spread 3-6' (from top graft).

Dwarf Blue Arctic Willow

(*Salix purpurea* 'Nana')—Very fine-textured, airy shrub with wispy blue-green foliage. This is a great plant for color and textural contrast in the landscape. Tolerant of moist soils, but does equally well in average conditions. Height 3-6', spread 3-6'.

YUCCA

Adam's Needle Yucca

(*Yucca filamentosa*)—Stiff sword-shaped leaves having an attractive bluish coat. Produces showy white panicles of flowers that blast out of the landscape. Give it lots of sun, lots of hot weather and well-drained soil. This is about as tough and durable as they come. Bottom line, if you can't grow this one, it's time to turn in the shovel! Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Color Guard'—Intensely variegated foliage shines in any landscape. Green leaves have a bright yellow center that actually can turn pinkish in the fall. Tall flower stalks bearing beautiful white flowers rise from the plant in the spring. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.

'Golden Sword'—Bright variegated foliage, perfect for specimen use. Leaves are bright green with brilliant golden-yellow centers. Tall flower stalks produce beautiful white flowers in the spring. Height 2-3', spread 3-4'.