

Black Chokeberry



This native shrub has excellent four season interest. It is pest and care free. Fruit is eaten by the Ruffed Grouse and Cedar Waxwing. Edible berries will persist into the winter. The berries are high in anthocyanins and antioxidants and have important nutritional value. Current research is touting Chokeberries as the new “super berry”. The berries have also been used medicinally to treat colds. The fruit also contains pectin and can be used to thicken jams.

Photinia melanocarpa

- Hardiness: Zone 3-8
- Size: 3-8', will form colonies
- Habit: Multi-stemmed, vase shaped, suckering shrub. Slow growth rate.
- Fruit: Purplish black, 1/3" - 1/2" fruits September-November. Best for juice or jam
- Flower: White, May, Showy
- Culture: Prefers moist, well-drained soils. Will tolerate almost any conditions from wet to dry and sun to shade. Full sun for best fruit production.
- Uses: Border, massing, naturalizing, poor soils, great fall and winter interest, food, wildlife, medicinal, pectin

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