Dart's Gold Ninebark

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Dart's Gold'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Eastern Ninebark

Description:

A hardy garden accent shrub with showy golden leaves all season long, small white flowers followed by showy reddish fruit, and interesting peeling papery bark for winter effect; extremely tough and durable, best foliage color is achieved in full sun

Ornamental Features

Dart's Gold Ninebark features showy clusters of white flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. It has attractive chartreuse deciduous foliage which emerges gold in spring. The serrated lobed leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding orange in the fall. It produces red capsules from early to mid fall. The peeling tan bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Dart's Gold Ninebark is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dart's Gold Ninebark is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Dart's Gold Ninebark flowers
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Dart's Gold Ninebark will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It has a low canopy, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under average home landscape conditions. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selection of a native North American species.



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