Amur Cherry

Prunus maackii

Height: 40 feet

Spread: 30 feet

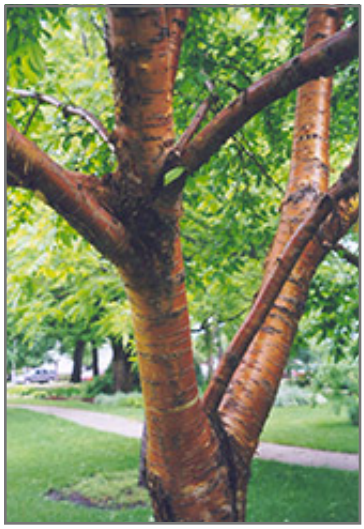
Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Other Names: Amur Chokecherry

Description:

A ravishing four season accent tree, with panicles of white flowers in spring, good fall color and amazing glowing bronze-red bark peeling in strips, very showy in winter; fast growing and hardy, best in a garden setting as it doesn't like competition



Amur Cherry bark
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Amur Cherry features showy racemes of fragrant white flowers hanging below the branches in mid spring. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding lemon yellow in the fall. The black fruits are held in clusters in late summer. The peeling coppery-bronze bark is extremely showy and adds significant winter interest.



Amur Cherry
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Landscape Attributes

Amur Cherry is a deciduous tree 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 tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease

Amur Cherry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade

Planting & Growing

Amur Cherry will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 4 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This tree should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.



Amur Cherry in fall
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