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Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry

Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance (tree form)'

Height: 25 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

A great small tree prized for its abundance of showy white flowers in spring and consistently beautiful fall colors; an excellent three-season shade tree for small landscapes. Their berries resemble blueberries in size and color but taste sweeter.

Edible Qualities

Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry is a medium-sized tree that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces small blue round berries which are usually ready for picking from late spring to early summer. The berries have a sweet taste.

The berries are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves

Features & Attributes

Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry is covered in stunning clusters of white flowers rising above the foliage in early spring before the leaves. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. It produces blue berries from late spring to early summer. The smooth gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.



Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry in bloom

Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry flowers

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This is an open deciduous tree with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other landscape plants with less refined foliage. This is a relatively low maintenance plant, 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, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Aside from its primary use as an edible, Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry is suitable for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry will grow to be about 25 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 5 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This plant is typically grown in a designated edibles garden. It does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

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