

# NORTHERN VIRGINIA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

# Annual Native Seedling Sale

The 2022 seedling sale features two packages of shrubs and trees that were specially selected because of their value to native bees, but they also serve as valuable food sources for other wildlife! They help clean our water and air, prevent soil erosion, provide valuable habitat, sequester carbon, and add beauty to your landscape. Enjoy!

# TREE-MENDOUS FLOWERS \$15

#### 2 American Hornbeam

(Carpinus caroliniana) 20-30' tall. Partial to full shade. Moist, well-drained soils.

Slow-growing understory tree with a smooth gray trunk that forms twists and bulges resembling muscles. Flowers are yellow-green catkins in mid to late spring. Shiny leaves turn orange to red in fall.

Host to butterfly species; birds and mammals feed on the fruits.

### 2 Canadian Serviceberry

(Amelanchier canadensis) 15-25' tall. Full sun to full shade. Moist, well-drained soils.

Produces white blooms April-May followed by red-purple fruits in June-August. Small tree or large, multistemmed shrub with beautiful fall color ranging from yellow to red. Grows well in moist woods and woodland borders.

Berries provide important food for birds and other wildlife.

### 2 Winterberry Holly

(Ilex verticillata) 6-12' tall. Full sun to full shade. Moist to wet soils.

Though a member of the holly family, the leaves of this shrub are neither sharply toothed nor evergreen. Shrubs are either male or female, with only females producing bright red berries which persist through winter. Does well in moist areas, such as low woods, along ponds and streams.

Wildlife value for birds.

## UN-BEE-LIEVEABLE BLOOMS \$15

#### 2 False Indigobush

(Amorpha fruticosa) 6-10' tall. Full to part sun. Moist soils.

Loose, airy shrub that forms purple flowers on 3-6 inch spikes, April-June. A deciduous plant that often forms dense thickets. Can tolerate wet soils; performs well at stream and pond edges and open woods.

Special value to native bees. Host and nectar source for many butterflies.

#### 2 Eastern Redbud

(Cercis canadensis)
20-30' tall. Full sun to full shade. Moist,
well-drained soils.

Produces beautiful, pink flower clusters April-May. Leaves are heart-shaped; fruits are brown to black pods, forming in mid-summer with some persisting until December. Performs well in open woodlands, thickets, and along streams. Special value to native bees. Attracts butterflies and birds.

#### 2 Silky Willow

(Salix sericea)

12' tall. Full sun to full shade.

Moist to wet soils.

Fast growing, multi-stemmed shrub with soft, silky catkins in May. High wildlife value for songbirds, small mammals, and beneficial insects. Lance-like leaves are silky below and turn yellow in fall.

Performs well in wet areas.

Highly valuable to native bees and other pollinators.

# ORDERING OPENS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022

Purchase your seedling packages online, at:

https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/soil-water-conservation/native-seedling-sale
You must purchase your seedlings in advance, no day-of sales or extras
will be offered.

WE ACCEPT THESE MAJOR CREDIT CARDS





Orders must be picked up on Friday, April 1 or Saturday, April 2, 2022, otherwise they will be donated to a reforestation project in Fairfax County. A full, nonrefundable payment must accompany your order.

You will receive a confirmation receipt and directions to the pickup site compliant with COVID safety guidelines at the Sleepy Hollow Bath and Racquet Club in Falls Church.

For questions or if you need accommodations, please email us at

ConservationDistrict@fairfaxcounty.gov

This program is offered in partnership with the Virginia Department of Forestry's Potomac Work Area and Fairfax County's Urban Forestry Management Division.