

80 acres of trees & plants within the city limits



Amur Cherry* Prunus maackii

Height: 35 feet Spread: 25 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Other Names: Amur Chokecherry

Description:

A four season accent tree, with panicles of white flowers in spring, good fall color and glowing bronze-red bark peeling in strips, showy in winter; fast growing and hardy. Bark is susceptible to frost cracking. Newer improved varieties are available.

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.

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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Amur Cherry is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Shade



Amur Cherry bark
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Amur Cherry
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



80 acres of trees & plants within the city limits

Planting & Growing

Amur Cherry will grow to be about 35 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 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.

* This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details



Amur Cherry in fall Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder