

AMERICAN PLUM

Prunus americana

Credit: NewJerseyYards

Description

American plum is a native, fast-growing, bush or small tree that often forms colonies and is commonly seen along fencerows, fields, and roadsides. It produces small reddish plums that can be eaten or made into jams.



Credit: ChiefRiverNursery

Information

CATEGORY	Deciduous
GROWTH RATE	Moderate
ADAPTABILITY	Full sun to partial shade, can thrive in well-drained soils
SHAPE	Thicket-forming
SIZE	10-20' tall, 15-25' wide

Seasonal value

It displays clusters of small white flowers in early spring, and the plums ripen in late summer. This important native tree attracts pollinators, songbirds, turkey, and deer.