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Aronia - Growing Guide

Growing Aronia

Chokeberry

Chokeberries are related to Sorbus and Pyrus and make attractive deciduous suckering shrubs. The flowers are white and appear in the spring but perhaps the best feature of this genus is its brilliant autumn colours and red or black fruits. They originate from woodland and swamps in North America and were first introduced into the UK at the start of the 18th century.

Aronia are extremely tough hardy plants that fit in well to a shrub border or can be grown as larger shrubs in a woodland context. They are often grown in the car parks of supermarkets which proves their resilience.

A. arbutifolia, the red chokeberry, has a bushy erect habit and grows 5-10ft in height eventually. The undersides of the leaves are covered in a grey hairy indumentum but are dark green above. The berries are red and the flowers are borne in corymbs 2½in wide. A. arbutifolia ‘Brilliant’ has superb bright red leaves in autumn.



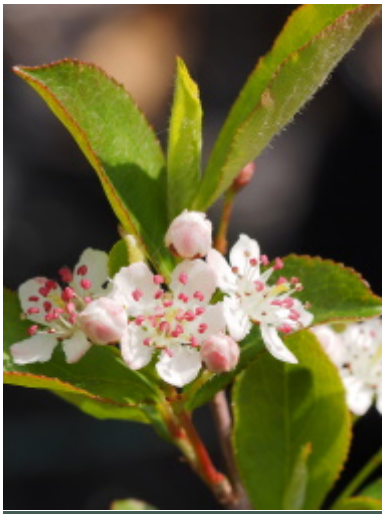
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Aronia melanocarpa



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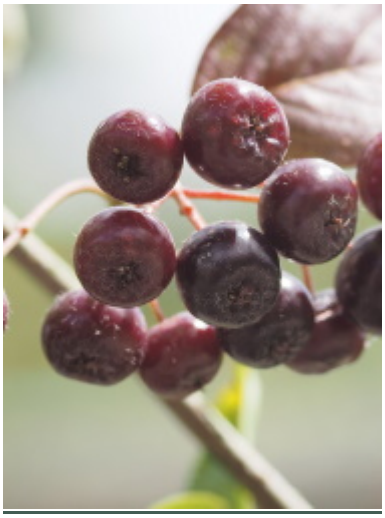
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