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We now have container shrubs ready for your fall planting. Many are Proven Winner varieties including 'Blue Muffin', 'Shiny Dancer', and 'Red Balloon' viburnums. We have additional plants in containers, come check us out!
Remember **'FALL IS FOR PLANTING'!**

Get a Jump Start on Next Year's Garden!

Even though most gardeners consider the spring the optimum time to plant perennials and shrubs, they do not realize there are many benefits of planting these items in the fall.

Perennials and shrubs planted in the fall become established without the temperature stress often experienced during the late spring and summer months. In many instances, this 'heat' stress reduces a plants appearance and growth during the summer and in extreme circumstances may even result in plant mortality. When plants are stressed during the entire growing season, they also may not be able to withstand the freezing temperatures during the winter months and could succumb to cold injury.

Fall planting allows perennials and shrubs to become established under much less stressful growing conditions. The roots can easily grow without having to support months of top growth and flowering during the summer. Additionally, with shortening days and cooler temperatures, there is less water lost through the leaves and the plants are less likely to wilt or suffer from transplant shock compared to spring or summer plantings. This allows the root systems to grow and get established under much less stressful conditions. Unlike spring planted perennials and shrubs, fall planted perennials and shrubs are usually well established prior to the start of active growth and before hot weather arises in the summer.

The warm soils of the fall are more suitable for rooting compared to cold spring soils. Surprisingly, root systems of fall planted perennials and shrubs continue to grow as long as the soil temperatures remain above 50° F. This root growth in the fall gives these plants a great head start for next spring. However, to allow adequate time for rooting, fall planting should occur at least 6 weeks before hard-freezing weather occurs. Most groundcovers and certain acid-loving plants like azaleas and rhododendrons prefer to be planted earlier in the year rather than in the late fall.

Fall is a wonderful time for planting perennials and shrubs. Planting hardy perennials and shrubs now gives you a jump start on spring chores and your fall plantings will deliver bigger and showier displays next year.



'Shiny Dancer' Viburnum

- **Hardy Zones**
 - 6 - 8
- **Exposure**
 - Part Sun to Sun
- **Season**
 - Spring
- **Mature Size**
 - 36 - 60 Inches

Medium sized, mounding shrub with spring flowers, deer resistant Mixed borders, mass plantings Prefers moist, well-drained soils. Prune lightly after flowering. Fertilize in spring. Super shiny leaves cover this compact plant! An extraordinary compact viburnum noted for its surreal waxy leaves that are tinged with an attractive red margin. Abundant creamy white flowers adorn this shrub in spring, The dark green, heavy textured, semi-evergreen leaves turn a rich burgundy-red in late autumn



Blue Muffin® *Viburnum dentatum* 'Christom'

- **Hardy Zones**
 - 3 - 8
- **Exposure**
 - Part Sun to Sun
- **Season**
 - Fall
- **Mature Size**
 - 60 - 84 Inches



Blue Muffin is a useful viburnum variety. More compact than other Arrowwood viburnum, it fits easily into the residential landscape. Easy to grow, with little or no maintenance required, Blue Muffin adapts to most locations with full sun to partial shade. Clean white flowers make for a crisp contrast with the glossy green leaves in early to mid-summer. The remarkably intense blue fruit that inspired the Blue Muffin name appear in late summer and fall. The fruit add interest to the fall landscape, and attract songbirds to the garden. Berries are not edible. May be trimmed after flowering (leave flowers for fall berries.) Native. Deer resistant. Fruit is good for birds but not humans. Native to North America

Makes a great hedge or foundation planting, excellent for residential landscapes. Also good in groupings, masses, and as a filler in the shrub border, good as a screen. Fruit production is increased by having another cultivar of Arrowwood nearby to cross pollinate the flowers. Chicago Lustre is a good pollinator. Local native stands of Arrowwood will also act as a cross pollinator. Prefers well drained soil but adapts well to a variety of soils. Possibly one of the most durable Viburnums for the East and Midwest.



Red Balloon™ *Viburnum*

Hardy Zones

4 - 8

Exposure

Part Sun to Sun

Season

Fall

Mature Size

72-96 inches

From a distance Red Balloon Viburnum appears to have loads of large red blossoms, but upon closer inspection you will notice these clusters are of bright red berries. Red Balloon is a very attractive shrub and easy to grow. It has a compact, rounded, upright, well branched habit that hold the abundance of tightly packed berry clusters in the late summer and well into fall. Red Balloon Viburnum gives a little show in the spring also with its crisp white flowers that appear in late spring. Beauty attracts beauty so don't be surprised when you see the butterflies checking it out. Viburnum Red Balloon is best suited in a part to full sun location with slight acidic soil that is moist and well drained. This Viburnum shrub blooms on old wood so it is recommended to trim to shape after it is done flowering.