

North Dakota Tree Selector

Scientific Name: *Spirea x vanhouttei*

Family: Rosaceae (Rose)

Hardiness: Zone 3

Leaves: Deciduous

Plant Type: Shrub

Growth

Rate: Slow

Mature Height: 4'-7'

Longevity: Short

Power Line: Yes

Ornamental

Flowers: White

Fruit: n/a

Fall Color: Purple

Vanhoutte Spirea

Description

A medium shrub resulting from a cross between Reeves spirea (*Spiraea cantoniensis*) and threelobe spirea (*S. trilobata*) from China, originating before 1866. Vanhoutte spirea is widely planted, but the parent (*S. trilobata*) appears superior in quality.

Preferences

Light: Full sun to partial shade.

Water: Moderately drought tolerant.

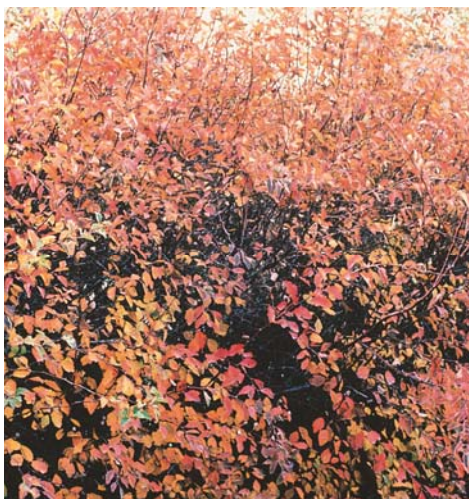
Soil: Adaptable to a variety of soils. Tolerates moderately high pH.

Comments

Also known as bridalwreath spirea for its white flowers and gracefully arching branches. Forms a beautiful fountain-like or vase shaped mound.

Prune as needed after it blooms in the spring.

Credits: Tree Selector Website, North Dakota Tree Handbook, <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=c293>



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