North Dakota Tree Selector

General

Scientific Name: Prunus tenella 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: Pink to red Fruit: Tan, oval shaped nut Fall Color: Yellow

Russian Almond

Description

A low, suckering shrub native to Western Asia and Eastern Siberia. Russian almond is hardy, however its suckering habit reduces its desirability as a landscape plant. Russian almond is very useful as part of a shelterbelt planting. The dense thickets it produces are excellent cover for wildlife. Abundant pink to rosy flowers appear in early spring.

Preferences

Light: Full sun.

Water: Fair drought resistance.

Soil: Prefers loamy soils. Adapted to a wide range of pH conditions.

Comments

Small brown nuts with a hard hairy shell up to 3/4" across are possible on this plant.

'Fire Hill' - Red flowers.

'Regal'- Released by USDA Plant Materials center in Bismarck. Useful in shelterbelts and other conservation plantings.

White Russian Almond - This variety has white flowers

Credits: NDSU Tree Selector Website, North Dakota Tree Handbook







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