

Small Scale Trees and Shrubs by Amy Heilman



Common Name	Plant Name (Scientific)	Height	Comment
Alternate-leaf Dogwood, Pagoda Dogwood	<i>Cornus alternifolia</i>	20-25'	Graceful shape and lots of flowers.
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus</i> spp	18-30'	Thorny but have lovely leaves, provide excellent protection for nesting birds, & have bright orange berries in winter.
Ninebark	<i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i>	up to 6-10'	Fast growing and can be easily pruned to desired height. Birds love to hide in the dense branches. Early summer flowers are very attractive.
Serviceberry	<i>Amelanchier</i> species (spp)	20-30'	Berries for birds & people who like to make serviceberry jelly.
Sumac	<i>Rhus</i> spp	5-8'	Shrubs with clusters of red berries that persist into winter. They colonize and can spread quickly. Good all-season appearance.
Viburnum	Many viburnum species native to Michigan	9-20'	Grows quickly, tolerates shade, & sun. Birds like the berries. Excellent shrub for any garden. Amy has about 6 in her yard and plans to get more!
Witch Hazel	<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>	10-12'	Last deciduous shrub to bloom in autumn producing golden yellow flowers that are slightly fragrant. Attractive golden yellow fall leaf color. Tends to be deer-resistant.

NOTE: For further information see *Landscaping with Native Plants of Michigan* by Lynn Steiner, pp. 144-165 (deciduous shrubs and small trees).