

Ilex verticillata



Family: Aquifoliaceae

Common Name: Winterberry

- Height: 3-12'
- Spread: 3-12'
- Light requirements: Full Sun to Part Shade
- Soil: Moist clay, loam, sandy,
- Flower color: Greenish white, Jun-Jul
- Fruit color: red, berry
- Fruit Time: Aug-Feb, requires male and female for fruiting; berries poisonous to humans
- Planting time: any time
- Growth: slow growing, upright, deciduous shrub
- Native Origin: Eastern US
- Good alternative to invasive nandina or heavenly bamboo
- Interesting Fact: Tolerant of erosion, clay soil, wet , boggy, or swampy conditions, air pollution, Birds eat the berries in the winter. Berries are toxic to humans.

Reference:

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?kempercode=d440>

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