

Itea virginica



Family: Iteacea Common Name: Virginia Sweetpire

- USDA Hardiness: Zones 5 to 9 (most of Virginia Beach and Norfolk are 8a, parts of Chesapeake are 7b)
- Height: 3-5'
- Spread: 3-5'
- Light requirements: Full sun to part shade
- Soil: Average, medium to wet, well-drained soil. Tolerates erosion, clay soil, wet soil
- Flower color: Tiny, white, fragrant flowers; good fall foliage color
- Bloom Time: June to July
- Planting time: any time
- Growth: Erect, rounded, deciduous shrub
- Native Origin: Eastern US
- Good alternative to invasive Japanese Barberry, *Berberis thunbergii*

References:

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org>

Photo References:

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