

Viburnum opulus

(European Cranberrybush)

European cranberrybush is a deciduous shrub that develops a round, mounded habit when mature. Its attractive maple-like leaves turn brilliant hues of yellow, red and dark purple in fall. Many flat clusters of white flowers appear in late spring to early summer, followed by berry-like fruits that turn bright red in fall. The best placing is in full sun, but European viburnum can also take part shade. Use this shrub as a shrub borders, for a screens, hedges.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name:	Viorne obier
Pronounciation:	vye-BER-num
Plant Type:	Shrub
Origin:	Europe, North Africa
Heat Zones:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Hardiness Zones:	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Uses:	Screen, Hedge, Specimen, Border Plant, Windbreak

Size/Shape

Growth Rate:	Moderate
Tree Shape:	Round, Spreading
Canopy Symmetry:	Symmetrical
Canopy Density:	Dense
Canopy Texture:	Fine
Height at Maturity:	3 to 5 m
Spread at Maturity:	3 to 5 meters
Time to Ultimate Height:	5 to 10 Years

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Flower Image

## Botanical Description

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### Foliage

**Leaf Arrangement:** Opposite

**Leaf Venation:** Parallel

**Leaf Persistence:** Deciduous

**Leaf Type:** Simple

**Leaf Blade:** 5 - 10 cm

**Leaf Shape:** Star

**Leaf Margins:** Dentate

**Leaf Textures:** Coarse

**Leaf Scent:** No Fragrance

**Color(growing season):** Green

**Color(changing season):** Yellow, Red

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### Flower

**Flower Showiness:** True

**Flower Size Range:** 7 - 10

**Flower Type:** Cyme

**Flower Sexuality:** Monoecious (Bisexual)

**Flower Scent:** Pleasant

**Flower Color:** White

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Trunk

**Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage:** Generally resists breakage

**Number of Trunks:** Multi-Trunked

**Trunk Esthetic Values:** Not Showy

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### Fruit

**Fruit Type:** Berry

**Fruit Showiness:** True

**Fruit Size Range:** 0 - 1.5

**Fruit Colors:** Red

**Seasons:** Spring, Summer

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### Horticulture Management

#### Tolerance

**Frost Tolerant:** Yes

**Heat Tolerant:** No

**Drought Tolerant:** No

**Salt Tolerance:** Poor

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#### Requirements

**Soil Requirements:** Clay, Loam

**Soil Ph Requirements:** Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

**Water Requirements:** Moderate

**Light Requirements:** Full, Part

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#### Management

**Toxity:** No

**Invasive Potential:** No

**Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases:** No

**Pruning Requirement:** Needed, to develop a strong structure

**Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter:** Yes

**Surface Rooting:** No

**Life Span:** 25-50 years

**Edible Parts:** None

**Pests:** Aphids, Borers

**Plant Propagations:** Seed, Cutting

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Fruit Image



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