

Exochorda racemosa

(Common pearl Bush)

Exochorda is a deciduous shrub reaching 2 m in height. It has a rounded shape. The leaves simple oblong in shape and has no fall color change. The flowers are very showy white flowers blooming in April- May. The plant prefers full sun or partial shade, quite adaptable for tough conditions as soon its established. In order to keep nice tidy look needs heavy pruning time to time. Prune it after flowering as flowers appear on the old previous season's growth. Can be used for border. Exochorda looks spectacular during blooming time but less impressive during rest of the year.



Plant Image

Landscape Information

French Name: Exochorde, Arbre aux perles
Pronunciation: ek-so-KOR-duh ray-see-MO-suh
Plant Type: Shrub
Origin: China
Heat Zones: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Hardiness Zones: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Uses: Hedge, Wildlife
Size/Shape
Growth Rate: Moderate
Tree Shape: Round
Canopy Symmetry: Symmetrical
Canopy Density: Medium
Canopy Texture: Fine
Height at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 m
Spread at Maturity: 1.5 to 3 meters
Time to Ultimate Height: 10 to 20 Years

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Flower Image

Botanical Description

Foliage

Leaf Arrangement: Alternate

Leaf Venation: Pinnate

Leaf Persistence: Deciduous

Leaf Type: Simple

Leaf Blade: Less than 5

Leaf Shape: Oblong

Leaf Margins: Serrate

Leaf Textures: Rough

Leaf Scent: No Fragrance

Color(growing season): Green

Color(changing season): Yellow

Flower

Flower Showiness: True

Flower Size Range: 7 - 10

Flower Type: Solitary

Flower Sexuality: Monoecious (Bisexual)

Flower Scent: No Fragrance

Flower Color: White

Seasons: Spring

Trunk

Trunk Susceptibility to Breakage: Generally resists breakage

Number of Trunks: Multi-Trunked

Fruit

Fruit Type: Capsule

Fruit Showiness: False

Fruit Size Range: 0 - 1.5

Fruit Colors: Brown

Seasons: Spring

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Leaf Image

Horticulture Management

Tolerance

Frost Tolerant: Yes

Drought Tolerant: No

Requirements

Soil Requirements: Clay, Loam, Sand

Soil Ph Requirements: Acidic, Neutral, Alkaline

Water Requirements: Moderate

Light Requirements: Full, Part

Management

Invasive Potential: No

Susceptibility to Pests and Diseases: No

Pruning Requirement: Needed, to develop a strong structure

Fruit/ Leaves/ Flowers litter: No

Surface Rooting: No

Life Span: Less than 25

Edible Parts: None

Plant Propagations: Seed, Cutting

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