

Native Champaign County Shrubs



Scientific Name	Common Name	Type/Size	<u>Habitat</u>	
Alnus serrulata	Hazel Alder	10'+	Rocky streams, wet soils	
Amelanchier laevis	Shadbush	6'	Wooded slopes, borders of dry to moist woods	
Amorpha canescens	Lead plant	3'	Prairies, rocky wooded bluffs	
Amorpha fruticosa	False indigo, Indigobush	6-12'	Streambanks, moist soil	
Ceanothus americanus*	New Jersey Tea	3-4' shrub	Dry areas, prairies	
Celastrus scandens*	American Bittersweet	Long, twining vine	Any soil, prefers moist	
Cephalanthus occidentalis*	Buttonbush	3-15' shrub	Wet areas	
Clematis virginiana	Virginia Virgin's-Bower, Traveler's Joy, Love-Vine	Climbing vine	Heavy woods	
Cornus drummondii*	Roughleaf Dogwood	2-10'+ shrub	Moist soils, sand or clay, woods	
Cornus oblique*	Silky Dogwood	4-10'+ shrub	Low woods, water edges, wet prairies	
Cornus racemosa*	Gray Dogwood	3-15' shrub	Variety of situations	
Cornus stolonifera*	Red-Osier Dogwood	4-10'+ shrub	Wet, swampy areas, sandy soil	
Corylus americana*	Hazelnut	3-10' shrub	Variety of situations	
Dirca palustris*	Leatherwood	6'+ branching shrub	Moist, shaded areas	
Hamamelis virginiana*	Witch Hazel	20' shrub/tree	Ravine slopes, low woods	

Hydrangea arborescens*	Hydrangea	3-5' shrub	Wet, shady ravines	
Hypericum prolificum*	Shrubby St. John's Wort	Low, branching shrub	Low, open or shaded areas	
Lindera benzoin*	Spicebush, Spiceweed, Benjamin Bush	Stout, 6-12' shrub	Wet woods	
Lonicera prolifera*	Grape Honeysuckle	Climbing vine	Woods, stream banks	
Parthenocissus quinquefolia*	Virginia Creeper	Climbing vine	Woods	
Physocarpus opulifolius	Common or Eastern Ninebark	5-10' spreading shrub	Marshes, low woods	
Potentilla fruticosa	Shrubby or bush cinquefoil	2-4'	Fens, gravel prairies, limestone cliffs	
Ptelea trifoliate*	Wafer Ash	5-15' treelike shrub	Along streams and bluffs	
Rhamnus lanceolata*	Lance-leaved Buckthorn	Widely-branching shrub	Variety of situations	
Rhus copallina	Shining Sumac	4-30' shrub/tree	Dry, sandy soil	
Rhus glabra*	Smooth Sumac	4-12'+ shrub/tree	Dry, sandy soil	
Rhus typhina	Staghorn Sumac	10'+	Woods, gravel ridges	
Rosa carolina*	Pasture Rose	1.5-3' shrub	Open areas	
Rosa palustris	Swamp Rose	2-6' shrub	Wet areas	
Rosa rudiuscula		2-3' shrub	Prairies	
Rosa setigera*	Prairie Rose	4-12' arching stems	Open areas	
Rosa suffulta		18-30" shrub	Prairies	
Rubus allegheniensis*	Blackberry	2-6' shrub	Moist, rich soil	

Rubus argutus* (or R. ostryifoius)	Highbush Blackberry	3-6' nodding shrub	Hard, moist soil	
Rubus flagellaris*	Northern Dewberry	3-9' shrub stems	Any soil type, poor soils	
Rubus frondosus	Leafy-flowered Blackberry	3-6' shrub	Dry soils	
Rubus occidentalis*	Common Blackcap Raspberry	10-12' stemmed shrub	Most situations	
Salix longifolia* (or S. interior)	Sandbar Willow	5-15' shrub	Sandy shores, marshy regions	
Salix discolor*	Pussy Willow	6-12' shrub	Wet, swampy areas	
Salix humilis*	Prairie Willow	2-7' shrub	Prairies, open woods, slopes	
Sambucus canadensis*	American Elder, Elderberry	4-12' shrub	Open woods, along streams	
Smilax rotundifolia	Common Greenbrier	Large, climbing vine	Most soils	
Smilax hispida*	Hispid Greenbrier	Long, climbing vine	Rich moist woods, stream banks	
Spirea alba*	Meadow Spirea, Narrow- Leaved Meadowsweet	3-6' shrub	Open, wet ground	
Spiraea tomentosa (edge of range)	Hardhack, steeplebush	3-6'	Bogs, moist thickets, wet sandy swales	
Staphylea trifolia*	American Bladdernut	3-15' shrub	Slopes/stream banks	
Symphoricarpos orbiculatus*	Buckbrush, Coralberry, Indian Currant	2-4' shrub	Variety of situations	
Viburnum rafinesqueanum	Downy arrowwood	3-6'	Wooded slopes, rocky woods and bluffs, rocky stream beds	

Viburnum lentago*	Nannyberry	3-18' shrub	Near lakes and ponds
Viburnum prunifolium*	Blackhaw	6-24' shrub	Dry soil
Vitis aestivalis*	Summer Grape	Climbing vine	Woods, thickets
Vitis cinera*	Sweet Winter Grape	Climbing vine	Woods, thickets
Vitis vulpine*	Frost Grape	Climbing vine	Woods, thickets
Zanthoxylum americanum*	Prickly-Ash	5-25' shrub/tree	Low woods, poor soils

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