



Shrub Yellowroot
Xanthorhiza simplicissima

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

Description:

A mat-like spreading shrub with erect leggy stems; a North American native plant that is an excellent alternative to invasive groundcovers; prefers well drained soil but will tolerate heavy wet soil; brownish purple flowers in spring add seasonal interest

Ornamental Features

Shrub Yellowroot is draped in stunning clusters of burgundy flowers with indian red centers along the stems in mid spring before the leaves. Its glossy pointy pinnately compound leaves are green in color. The foliage often turns indian red in fall. It produces yellow capsules from early to mid fall.

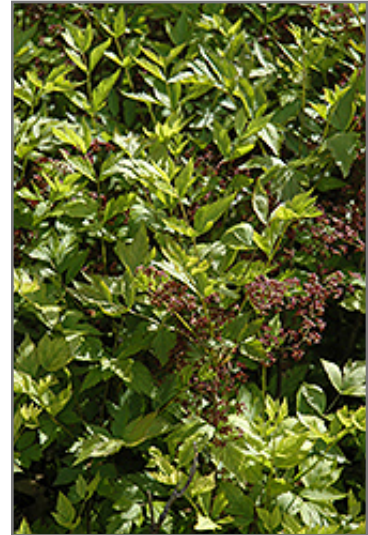
Landscape Attributes

Shrub Yellowroot is an herbaceous perennial with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively fine texture sets it apart from other garden plants with less refined foliage.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Shrub Yellowroot is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens



Shrub Yellowroot flowers
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Planting & Growing

Shrub Yellowroot will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This plant does best in partial shade to shade. It prefers to grow in moist to wet soil, and will even tolerate some standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is native to parts of North America.