



Aquidneck Island
Land Trust

Aquidneck Island Native Shrubs

Native shrubs make our local birds and pollinators happy! Turn to these when landscaping instead of their invasive counterparts. Check out the RI Native Plant Guide by URI for more info!



Swamp Rose
(*Rosa palustris*)



Common Juniper
(*Juniperus communis*)



Sweet Pepperbush
(*Clethra alnifolia*)



Northern Bayberry
(*Morella pensylvanica*)



Inkberry
(*Ilex glabra*)



**Red-osier
Dogwood**
(*Swida sericea*)



Winterberry
(*Ilex verticillata*)



Groundsel Tree
(*Baccharis halimifolia*)



**Smooth
Arrowwood**
(*Viburnum dentatum*)



Highbush Blueberry
(*Vaccinium corymbosum*)



**Northern
Spicebush**
(*Lindera benzoin*)



Smooth Sumac
(*Rhus glabra*)



**Great
Rhododendron**
(*Rhododendron maximum*)



Common Elderberry
(*Sambucus canadensis*)



Witch Hazel
(*Hamamelis virginiana*)





Shrubs can be picky about their growing conditions. Refer to the letters and symbols to pick what's right for your lawn!



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Soil: Dry Moist Wet Average



Full sun



Partial shade



Full shade

<p><u>M-W</u> Swamp Rose (<i>Rosa palustris</i>)</p>	<p><u>D-M</u> Common Juniper (<i>Juniperus communis</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-W</u> Sweet Pepperbush (<i>Clethra alnifolia</i>)</p>	<p><u>D-W</u> Northern Bayberry (<i>Morella pensylvanica</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-M</u> Inkberry (<i>Ilex glabra</i>)</p>
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- Mature H 3-6ft, W 4-8ft
- Native rose species
- Thrives in wetlands and streamsides
- Thorns grow in pairs
- Pink flowers



- Mature H 3-6ft, W 8-12ft
- Short spreading shrub
- Berries flavor gin
- Birds eat seed cones
- Deer resistant



- Mature H 4-8ft, W 4-6ft
- Seeds resemble peppercorns
- Aromatic white flowers
- Attracts pollinators
- Deer resistant



- Mature H 6-8ft, W 5-10ft
- Berries good for birds
- Grows quickly
- Resistant to deer
- Berries can be used to make candles



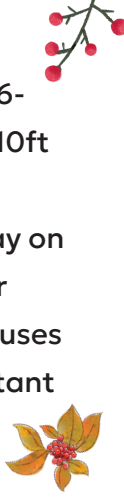
- Mature H 6-8ft, W 8-10ft
- Evergreen leaves
- Waxy black berries
- Good native replacement to Privet hedges
- Grows in a variety of conditions

<p><u>W</u> Red-osier Dogwood (<i>Swida sericea</i>)</p>	<p><u>D-W</u> Winterberry (<i>Ilex verticillata</i>)</p>	<p><u>M</u> Groundsel Tree (<i>Baccharis halimifolia</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-M</u> Smooth Arrowwood (<i>Viburnum dentatum</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-M</u> Highbush Blueberry (<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>)</p>
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- Mature H 5-9ft, W 5-10ft
- Bright red twigs
- White flowers and berries
- Helps prevent waterway erosion



- Mature H 6-10ft, W 6-10ft
- Bright red berries stay on into winter
- Medicinal uses
- Deer resistant



- Mature H 5-12ft, W 5-12ft
- Wispy white blooms
- Salt tolerant species
- Nectar attracts butterflies
- Can work as a hedge



- Mature H 6-12ft, W 4-10ft
- Berries are critical food source for birds
- Large white flowers
- Toothed leaves
- Deer resistant

- Mature H 6-12ft, W 8-12ft
- Birds and people enjoy berries
- White bell shaped flowers
- Bright red leaves in fall



<p><u>M-W</u> Northern Spicebush (<i>Lindera benzoin</i>)</p>	<p><u>D-AVG</u> Smooth Sumac (<i>Rhus glabra</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG</u> Great Rhododendron (<i>Rhododendron maximum</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-M</u> Common Elderberry (<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>)</p>	<p><u>AVG-M</u> Witch Hazel (<i>Hamamelis virginiana</i>)</p>
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- Mature H 8-15ft, W 6-15ft
- Early yellow flowers
- Supports early pollinators
- Birds enjoy nutritious berries
- Native alternative to Forsythia



- Mature H 8-16ft, W 12-20ft
- Hairy red berries
- Winter food source for birds
- Helps control erosion
- Twigs are hairless



- Mature H 10-20ft, W 10-20ft
- Evergreen
- Large leathery leaves
- White or pink flowers
- Deer resistant



- Mature H 15-20ft, W 15-20ft
- Large white flowers
- Birds enjoy berries
- Berries can be made into wine
- Very adaptable plant



- Mature H 20-25ft, W 15-20ft
- Late blooming
- Late season pollinator habitat
- Wide oval leaves
- Spindly yellow flowers
- Medicinal uses

