

Botanical Name: Viburnum suspensum

Common Name: Sandankwa viburnum

Type of Plant: dicot; shrub Character evergreen

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape erect, rather stiffly branched, forms a full, rounded oval canopy, smaller branches have conspicuous lenticels

Height 8-10' Spread 6-8' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure outdoors full/partial sun, tolerates shade inland

Soil tolerates most; prefers deep, rich loam

Hardiness hardy (zones 8,9, 14-24)

Morphology:

Leaves pinnate, opposite, oval-oblong, 2-4" long, crenate-serrate and revolute margins, dark green above, paler beneath, shiny

Flowers white/pink, bell shaped, 1/4" across, arranged in fairly round, dense, terminal panicles; May-July

Fruit reddish drupe; turns black

Propagation: seed, semihardwood cuttings

Usage: attractive hedge or background plant, screens; valued more for its foliage than flower display

Landscape Care:

Watering prefers regular, tolerates some drought after established

Fertilizing balanced in spring, check for chlorosis in alkaline soils

Pruning to shape desired, can be sheared

Pests/Diseases aphids (bad problem), thrips, scale, mealybug

Special Conditions avoid using sulfur sprays on Viburnums

Origin: Japan Family: Caprifoliaceae