

Clethra alnifolia Summersweet clethra

Plant type	Mid-height Shrub
Potential Size	Height 3-8 ft. Spread 4-6 ft.
Rate of Growth	Slow to Medium
Wetland Indicator Status	Facultative

Site Conditions plant prefers or can tolerate.

Soil Moisture	Moist to Average
Soil Drainage	Very poor to Moderately well
Soil Texture	Coarse to Fine
Light Preference	Full sun to Partial shade

Tolerance to:

Flood	Very tolerant
Drought/Heat	Intermediate
Soil Compaction	Resistant
Salt	Resistant

Substitutions using Similar & Associated Species

Plants similar by type, wetland status and light preference for Mid-Atlantic Forest Associations.

Sweetspire, Sweetbay magnolia

Landscape Value

Function	Small Group/ Specimen
Note:	Cultivars available

Wildlife Value Average
As food-source, nesting or cover



Range Map

