

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

