

# AMERICAN BEAUTYBERRY

*Callicarpa americana*

This is a deciduous, fast-growing shrub that will grow to six to eight feet tall and wide rather quickly. It has long, arching branches and yellow-green fall foliage, but its most striking feature is the clusters of glossy, iridescent-purple fruit which hug the branches at leaf axils in the fall and winter. It can be cut to 12 inches above the ground each winter to encourage more compact growth, flowers and fruit. It can also be left to mature naturally into a tall woody shrub. Birds love to feast on the fruit in the fall.



