HAMMOCK SNAKEROOT

*Ageratina jucunda*

Hammock snakeroot is a low-growing, herbaceous to woody shrub that produces many clusters of white, flat-topped flowers. Its disc flowers are tubular. Hammock snakeroot's leaves are oppositely arranged and triangular with serrate margins. Hammock snakeroot flowers in summer through early winter. It occurs naturally in pine flatwoods, sandhills, hammocks, upland mixed woodlands, and along roadsides and stream banks. Flowers are attractive to a variety of bees, butterflies and birds, but the plant is poisonous to both humans and livestock if ingested.

Hammock snakeroot makes a nice low shrub border, but also works well in naturalistic plantings and in mixed beds. It can tolerate short periods of drought once established but prefers consistently moist soils.