



Bearberry

Arctostaphylos uva-ursi

Growing Information

- Plant Type: Perennial
- Sunlight: Sun, part shade
- Soils: Average to dry moisture
- Bloom Time: White to pinkish bell-shaped flowers in April, May
- Size: 12inches tall, spreading to 15feet

Woody plant that is slow growing but can form large mats in the toughest of places. Technically speaking, it is a sub-shrub and is also called kinnikinick, sandberry, and hog cranberry.

Garden Companions

Inkberry (*Ilex glabra*), Eastern Woodfern (*Dryopteris marginalis*), Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)

Nature Benefits

- Birds and mammals eat the fruit.
- Host plant for several butterfly species including Hoary Elfin and Brown Elfin.

Natural Habitat

Occurs in roadsides, bog roads, dune edges and woodland edges.