



Smooth Sumac

Rhus glabra

Growing Information

- Sunlight: Full Sun, Partial, Shade
- Soils: Medium to dry
- Bloom Time: June, July
- Size: 10-20ft tall; spread 20-20ft

Colony-forming shrub – most noticeable for its brilliant fall color and bright red fruit. The plant is dioecious and only the female plants produce fruit. Sumac is effective where it has room to establish in its natural drift form. Colonies can be rejuvenated by cutting to the ground in mid-winter every few years. Great for dry, tough locations, especially on slopes. Great plant for restoration projects.

Garden Companions

Other species of sumac, Common Ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius*)

Nature Benefits

- Flowers attract pollinators
- Berries provide food for many birds
- Provides wild bees nesting materials and structure for their life cycles

Natural Habitat

Occurs in old field, hardwood forest edges, and dry uplands.

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