

Woodbine – from <http://search.linders.com/12070003/Plant/4029/Woodbine>



*Parthenocissus inserta*

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**Height:** 40 feet

**Spread:** 30 feet

**Sunlight:** ○ ●

**Hardiness Zone:** 3

**Description:**

A durable native vine closely related to Virginia creeper and quite similar in most respects, except that it won't cling to masonry and thus shouldn't be used to climb buildings; makes a great groundcover, looks lovely trailing down stone walls

**Ornamental Features:**

Woodbine has dark green foliage which emerges brick red in spring. The serrated palm-shaped leaves turn an outstanding red in the fall. Neither the flowers nor the fruit are ornamentally significant.

**Landscape Attributes:**

Woodbine is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous vine with a twining and trailing habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This vine will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Woodbine is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- General Garden Use
- Hedges/Screening
- Groundcover

**Plant Characteristics:**

Woodbine will grow to be about 40 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 feet. As a climbing vine, it tends to be leggy near the base and should be underplanted with low-growing facer plants. It should be planted near a fence, trellis or other landscape structure where it can be trained to grow upwards on it, or allowed to trail off a retaining wall or slope. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This vine performs well in both full sun and full shade. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist locations, and should do just fine under typical garden conditions. It is considered to be drought-tolerant, and thus makes an ideal choice for a low-water garden or xeriscape application. It is not particular as to soil type or pH, and is able to handle environmental salt. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments.

This species is native to parts of North America.