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# North Dakota Tree Selector

## General

**Scientific Name:** *Sorbus decora*

**Family:** Rosaceae (Rose)

**Hardiness:** Zone 2

**Leaves:** Deciduous

**Plant Type:** Tree

## Growth

**Rate:** Medium

**Mature Height:** 25'-45'

**Longevity:** Medium

**Power Line:** No

## Ornamental

**Flowers:** Cream to white

**Fruit:** Red berry-like

**Fall Color:** Yellow

## Showy Mountain-Ash

### Description

Small to medium-sized tree native to eastern North America, as far west as northern Minnesota and Wisconsin. Canopy is upright-oval, changing to rounded form. Has excellent landscape value with white flower clusters in spring followed by red fruit from summer into late fall.

### Preferences

**Light:** Full sun.

**Water:** Medium water needs.

**Soil:** Prefers well drained loam soils, does not tolerate salinity.

### Comments

Showy mountain-ash does poorly in areas with hot, humid summers.

It is susceptible to fireblight and canker diseases.

Its species name comes from the Latin word *decorata* meaning decorative or showy in reference to the appearance of the fruit.



Credits: Tree Selector Website, <http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/PlantFinder/PlantFinderDetails.aspx?taxonid=286371&pt=14>

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