

For Immediate Release
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RI Wild Plant Society Offering Ornamental Trees & Shrubs Mail Order

The RI Wild Plant Society is offering a selection of unusual shrubs and small trees for the garden through their Early Spring Plant Sale. These plants are not readily available at your local garden center. All plants are seedlings (5-8 inches tall) and cost \$10 for 2. To print out the order form go to the RIWPS website, www.riwps.org. The plants being offered include:

Dwarf Katsura Tree, a globe shaped dwarf that is slow growing and good for the small garden.

Cinnamon Clethra, a native of the high Smokey Mountains, with white flowers from July through August, and beautiful, bright buttery-yellow fall foliage.

Carolina Silverbells, a small tree with unusually large, white, bell-shaped flowers that cover the branches in late April to early May.

Sweetspire, *Itea Virginica*, a medium-growing shrub with multi-colored fall foliage.

Pink flowering Sweet Azalea, a 12 foot high shrub with equal spread, selected for its clear, bright pink, highly fragrant blooms. Spectacular fall color in bright yellow, red and burgundy.

Shoshoni Doublefile Viburnum, compact shrub with dark green leaves turning purplish red in fall. Three- to five-inch white flowers in May/June followed by red fruit that matures to black.

Hinoki False cypress, a broadly pyramidal, evergreen conifer with brilliant yellow, ferny foliage—a stunning plant.

These plants would make a spectacular addition to any garden. The Rhode Island Wild Plant Society will be accepting orders for these plants until April 20, 2007. For more information on the plants or ordering them, contact Russ Bragg, Chairman at russbragg@treetechinc.net or call (508) 222-5152. Plants may be picked up in East Greenwich, Slatersville or Tiverton.

RI Wild Plant Society is an educational non-profit conservation organization, dedicated to the protection and preservation of Rhode Island's native plants and their habitats. Your order will help the Society's statewide conservation efforts.