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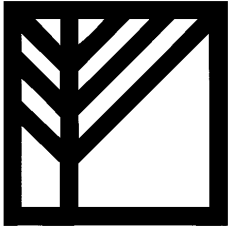
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### Family

Caprifoliaceae

### Origin

Selected by Michael Yanny of Johnson's Nursery in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin

### Hardiness

U.S.D.A. Zones 2-7

Not tolerant of excessive heat

### General Description and Habit

An upright, oval deciduous flowering shrub selected for its uniform habit, deep red new growth and excellent red fall color. Redwing™ will produce large clusters of glossy red fruits when plants are cross-pollinated.

### Size

Grows to 8' to 10' tall by 6' to 8' wide in 8 years.

### Growth Rate

Medium

### Ornamental Characteristics

#### FOLIAGE

Wine red new growth fades to bright medium green in summer.

#### FALL COLOR

Brilliant cranberry red foliage

#### FRUIT

Glossy red fruits in massive clusters adorn the plant throughout the fall and into winter for a wonderful show.

### Culture

As with any *Viburnum trilobum*, good culture and proper pruning are required to maintain a healthy specimen. Prefers well-drained but moist soil in partial to full sun. Sensitive to drought conditions.

### Pest and Disease Problems

Not serious. *Viburnum* borers can be a problem with stressed specimens.

### Landscape Value

Redwing™ is a selection of an underused native shrub that performs very well in modern landscapes. This viburnum makes a wonderful screening plant with four seasons of interest and is an alternative to *Viburnum opulus* in areas where *V. opulus* has become invasive. Redwing™ has been verified by Dr. Edward R. Hasselkus from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, as a true *V. trilobum*, not a hybrid. Some other cultivars in the trade are believed to be hybrids between *V. opulus* and *V. trilobum*.

### Propagation

Softwood cuttings in early summer.

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The Chicagoland Grows® Plant Introduction program is dedicated to the evaluation, selection, production and marketing of recommended and new plant cultivars. Plants selected for the program have proven to be adaptable to the Midwest and are made available to the commercial and retail landscape industry through an international network of growers and propagators.

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