



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM PLANT CARE INFORMATION

Pawnee Buttes® Sand Cherry *Prunus besseyi* 'P011S'

DESCRIPTION: Sand Cherry is a deciduous shrub growing from New Mexico to the Dakotas. The glossy green leaves turn a lovely orange-red color in the fall. New growth is a rich red. Masses of fragrant white flowers appear before the leaves emerge in the spring. Black berries develop in the summer, attracting birds. Flowers attract bees and butterflies. An outstanding selection of our western native sand cherry, Pawnee Buttes® is a low growing, groundcover shrub 12 to 18" tall and 4 to 6' wide. In addition to the profusion of fragrant white flowers in early spring it has showy mahogany-red foliage in the fall. A wondergul drought resistant plant.

RECOMMENDED USE: A great mounding groundcover for sunny areas. Attracts wildlife.

CULTURE:



Hardiness: Down to -30°F.



Sun tolerance: Best in full sun.



Watering and feeding: Once established, give infrequent, deep waterings. Fertilize in spring.



Soil requirements: Needs well-drained soil.



Pruning: Prune only to shape after bloom, if desired.