

Siberian peashrub

Caragana arborescens

Description

Introduced to North America as an ornamental.

Habit

Deciduous shrub or small tree, ranging between 10-15 ft tall; narrow branching, gray bark and branches; young twigs, yellowish-green.

Leaves

Alternate, compound; 2- 4 in long consisting of 8 -12 pairs of leaflets; leaflets elliptic.

Stems

Dark, glossy green in color; less vivid and smooth with age.

Flowers

Yellow in color, single, tubular, at the end of a stalk that grows from the leaf axil; blooms in May through June.

Fruits and Seeds

Seed pod, 1- 2 in long; sharply pointed; cylindrical; slender; tan/ brown in color; smooth.



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Habitat

Native to Manchuria and Siberia. Found in savanna and woodland edge areas; poor, dry soils, tolerant to cold, fixes nitrogen.

Reproduction

By seed or cultivars by cuttings or grafting.

Similar

Other species of Peashrub (*Caragana* spp.).

Monitoring and Rapid Response

Repeated prescribed burning (will stump sprout) but will weaken, pulling, cut stump treatment with glyphosate; cut-stump or basal bark spray treatment around the stem with triclopyr.

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