BEST SHRUBS for MIGRATING BIRDS

(A LIST COMPRISED OF OHIO NATIVE PLANTS)

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Sambucus canadensis (American elder) (Adoxaceae, moschatel family, formerly Caprifoliaceae)

S. pubens (red-berried elder)

Viburnum dentatum (arrowwood viburnum) (Adoxaceae)

V. recognitum (northern arrowwood vib.)

V. molle (Kentucky vib.)

V. prunifolium (blackhaw vib.)

V. acerifolium (maple leaf vib.)

V. trilobum (Am. cranberrybush vib.)

Cornus alternifolia (pagoda dogwood) (Cornaceae)

C. drummondii (roughleaf dogwood)

C. racemosa (gray dogwood)

Juniperus virginiana (Eastern red cedar) (Cupressaceae, cypress)

Myrica pensylvanica (bayberry) (Myricaceae)

M. gale (sweetgale) (neo-native)

Aronia melanocarpa (black chokecherry) (Roseaceae, rose fam.)

Rhamnus lanceolata (lanceleaf buchthorn) (Rhamnaceae, buckthorn family)

R. caroliniana (Carolina buckthorn)

Styrax americana (American snowbell) (Styracaceae, storax family)

Xanthoxylem americanum (prickly-ash) (Rutaceae, rue family)

Euonymus atropurpureus (Eastern wahoo) (Celastraceae, staff vine family)

E. americanus (strawberry bush)

Ilex opaca (American holly) (Aquifoliaceae, holly family) Ilex verticillata (winterberry holly)

Lindera benzoin (spicebush) (Lauraceae, laurel family)

Ptelea trifoliata (wafer-ash, hop-tree) (Rutaceae, rue family)

Staphylea trifolia (American bladdernut) (Staphyleaceae, staff tree family)

Symphorcarpos alba (snowberry) (Caprifoliaceae, honeysuckle family)

S. orbiculatus (Indian currant)

Cephalanthus occidentalis (button bush)

(Fruit and nutlets ripen in later period, in autumn, versus late summer for most plants above, appropriate timing for supporting different set of birds, including ducks and several species of water shore birds. Button bush also a very important supporter of larvae of no fewer than 18 species of Lepidoptera, including the smeared dagger moth (Acronicta obinita), the promethean moth (Callosamia promethean), the hydrangea sphinx (Darapsa versicolor), the saddleback caterpillar (Acharia stimulea), and the cecropia moth (Hyalophora cecropia), all very interesting and important in both larval and adult forms.)

Ceanothus americanus (New Jersey tea)

(Supports azure and skipper butterfly species' larvae' as well as Bob White quail and other "game" birds, along with songbirds, which consume its seeds. Showy blooms and fragrant flowers. Used for tea. Draws hummingbirds.)