

Genus: *Nandina*

Common Name: Heavenly bamboo

Species: *domestica*

Cultivar:

Origin: India to Eastern Asia (China and Japan)

Family: Berberidaceae



Stanford

Kind of Plant: Shrub

Seasonal Habit: Evergreen

Growth Habit: Upright, vase-shaped

Height: 6-8 ft

Width: 3-4 ft

Light Needs: Sun, part shade, shade

Water Needs: Low - deep monthly watering in 6 hottest months.

Special Identifying Features

Leaves: Delicate, pinnately compound, leaflets 2" long, oval, pointed. New growth is pink to bronze. Many leaves turn red in winter.

Bark/Twig: Cane like stems

Flowers: Small cream colored flowers on long clusters (to 1 ft) in late spring to early summer.

Fruit: Small bright red berries 1/4" long on clusters, hang on much of the year. More fruit on tightly clustered groups of plants.

Disease(s): Nandina virus turns foliage red. Chlorosis in alkaline soil. Resists oak root fungus.

(Refer to Disease and Pest Control chart for treatments.)

Pest(s):

Special Points: Selective pruning is best, do not shear. Dwarf cultivars available: 'Compacta' grows to 4-5', 'Nana', 1', and 'Harbor Dwarf', 1 1/2-2'. Cut oldes canes to ground before new growth begins in spring to encourage new growth. Spreads slowly by suckers. Not a true bamboo; not invasive.

Campus Location: 1) Maps & Records, 2) Amy Blue Garden.