### **Indian Plum**



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Oemleria cerasiformis

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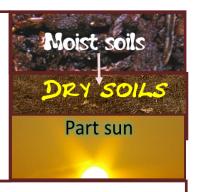
# Deciduous shrub Early Blo





#### **Cultural Uses:**

The berries are eaten in small quantities fresh, cooked or dried by several Washington Salish groups. The young leaves taste like cucumber and can be used in salads. The twigs are chewed and applied to sore places. The Saanich make a bark tea as a tonic.



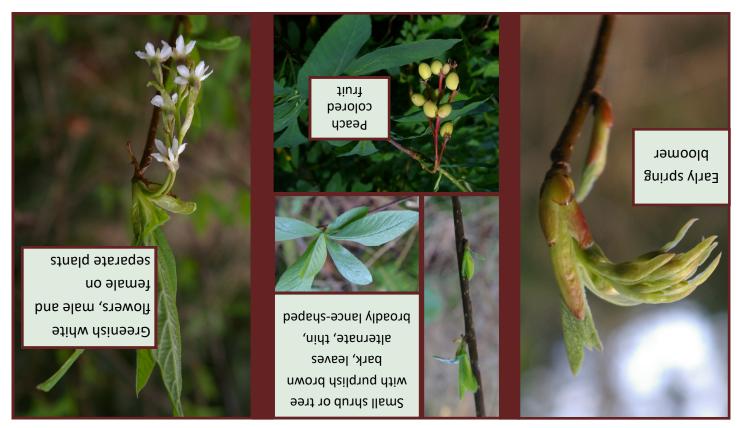
## **Ecology:**

Open woods, stream banks, open areas

#### General:

This deciduous shrub grows to 16.5 feet and produce clusters of white flowers in very early spring (February to April). The berries turn peach colored and then turn bluish-black, like small plums and attract hummingbirds. It is best used as a background plant in a garden due to its size.

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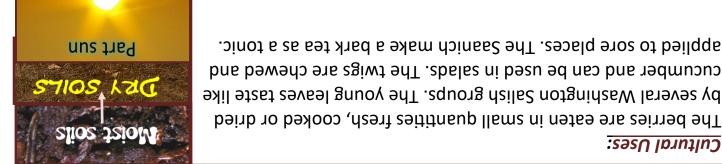


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