

<u>PRUNING SCHEDULE</u>	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	COMMENTS
Alpine Currant	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Handles hard pruning for rejuvenation. Can be shaped into a formal hedge.
Amur Maple	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Can be pruned into a single stem tree or multi-stem form.
Artic Willow	X	X	X	X	X		X	Prune the tops off every year for thicker growth.
Barberry	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Burning Bush		X	X					
Caragana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Handles hard pruning for rejuvenation.
Cedar	X	X						Trim not more than 2 - 4"
Cotoneaster	X	X					X	Handles hard pruning for rejuvenation. Can be shaped into a formal hedge.
Cranberry Highbush			X	X				After bloom period
Dogwood	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Double Flowering Plum			X					After bloom period
Dwarf Birch			X	X				
Dwarf Spruce		X	X					Only when absolutely necessary – evergreens do not handle pruning well.
Elder		X		X				After bloom period
False Spirea				X	X			After bloom period
Forsythia		X						After bloom period
Hikul Sea Buckthorn		X						
Honeysuckle Pink Flowering			X	X				After bloom period
Honeysuckle Sweetberry	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Handles hard pruning for rejuvenation.
Hydrangea ball shaped flowers		X						4 - 6" from the ground
Hydrangea cone shaped flowers		X						Trim off dead seed pods
Juniper	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Only when absolutely necessary – evergreens do not handle pruning well.
Lilac			X					After bloom period
Mockorange			X					After bloom period
Mugo Pine			X	X				While fresh growth is still slender
Nannyberry			X	X				
Ninebark			X	X				After bloom period
Potentilla							X	Remove 6 - 8" from to top to prevention snow damage, removal of seed
Roses Morden Variety	X	X		X				April - May trim to 12" from the ground. July for shaping and seed removal
Roses Rugosa	X	X		X				April - May light trim to shape. July for shaping and seed removal
Siberian Currant	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Handles hard pruning for rejuvenation. Can be shaped into a formal hedge.
Snowball			X	X				
Spirea Pink Flowering		X		X	X			July-August after bloom period
Spirea White Flowering			X	X				After bloom period
Yews	X	X	X	X			X	They will flush out with new growth after pruning – avoid late July to early October.

Trees: light pruning anytime and heavy pruning from October through May. Maples and Birches will bleed if pruned in spring – avoid pruning these in spring when they are quite young.

*Prune dead branches as soon as you discover them – the dead wood can become an entry point for pests and diseases, and it will heal faster if they are cut off right away.