



## NANNYBERRY *Viburnum lentago* L.

**N**annyberry occurs statewide as a shrub or small tree reaching a height of 10–30 feet. It frequently is found growing in moist soils, often along the borders of swamps or streams.

The **leaves** are opposite, ovate, abruptly pointed, with fine sharp teeth. The upper surface is a lustrous deep green. The undersurface is lighter. The petiole is conspicuously flanged with a warty, wavy margin.

The dark blue **fruit** ripens in fall. It is about ½ inch long, ellipsoid, edible, sweet, tough-skinned, with a nipple-like tip. The fruit occurs in small drooping clusters on red-stemmed stalks, and does not shrivel or shrink when ripe.

The terminal **buds** are shaped like a pair of rabbit ears and bulge at the base. The 2 large bud scales extend beyond the end of the bud. They are nearly smooth and are purplish-brown to lead-colored. The smooth **twigs** of the season are gray to gray-brown. The **wood** is orange-brown and emits an unpleasant odor.

