**Magnolia stellata • Star magnolia**

### Leaves
Unfolded leaves are visible on the plant. A leaf is considered “unfolded” if its entire length has emerged from the breaking bud, so that the leaf stalk (petiole) can be seen at its point of attachment to the stem.

### Flower buds
Fresh open flower buds are visible on the plant. Include flower buds that are still developing, but do not include wilted or dried buds.

### Open flowers
One or more open, fresh flowers are visible on the plant. The flowers will open in early spring before the leaves appear and are white with a pink tinge. Starburst-like flowers appear on the stem tips. Flowers are considered “open” when the reproductive parts (male stamens or female pistils) are visible.

### Fruits
One or more fruits are visible. The fruit is capsule-like, grouped with many others into a cone-like cluster. It changes from green to red or red-brown to tan, dark brown or gray and splits open to expose the seeds. Do not include empty capsules that have already dropped all of their seeds.

### Ripe fruits
One or more ripe fruits are visible on the plant. A fruit is considered ripe when it has turned tan, dark brown or gray and has split open to expose the seeds. Do not include empty capsules that have already dropped all of their seeds.

### Colored leaves
One or more leaves show some of their typical late-season color, or yellow or brown due to drought or other stresses. Do not include small spots of color due to minor leaf damage or dieback. Do not include fully dried or dead leaves that remain.

**Phenophases not shown:**
breaking leaf bud, falling leaves or fruit.