



Species: *Cornus florida*

(kore'nus flor'i-dah)

Flowering Dogwood

Cultivar Information

There are many cultivars and varieties of this species. Due to the extreme pest and disease issues associated with this plant, cultivar selection is of particular importance. Crosses with *C. kousa* have produced unique plants with disease resistance, see *C. kousa* for these cultivars.

* See specific cultivar notes on next page.

Ornamental Characteristics

Size: Tree < 30 feet

Height: 20' - 30'

Leaves: Deciduous

Shape: rounded to flat-topped, with horizontal, spreading branches

Ornamental Other:

Environmental Characteristics

Light: Part shade

Hardy To Zone: 5b

Soil Ph: Requires acid (pH 5.0 to 7.0)

Environmental Other: Filtered shade is best

Insect Disease

susceptible to borer, petal and leaf spot, anthracnose; important to minimize stress and therefore susceptibility to disease

Bare Root Transplanting

Any

Other

transplant B & B or from container, native to Northeast U.S.

Cultivars for *Cornus florida*Showing **1-11** of **11** items.

Cultivar Name	Notes
Cherokee Chief	'Cherokee Chief' - deep red bracts, good powdery mildew resistance
Cherokee Princess	'Cherokee Princess' - large white bracts; good powdery mildew resistance; improved hardiness
Cloud Nine	'Cloud Nine' - hardy; profuse flowering
First Lady	'First Lady' - variegated foliage; white flowers; poor disease resistance
Pluribracteata	'Pluribracteata' - double white flowers open late
Rubra	'Rubra' - pink flowers
Cherokee Brave	'Cherokee Brave' - Considered one of the best red forms, with deep pink bracts that have a white center; marked powdery mildew resistance
Weaver's White	'Weaver's White' - white flowers; good powdery mildew resistance
Cherokee Sunset	'Cherokee Sunset' - variegated dogwood with red flower bracts; pink-tipped new growth matures to a colorful combination of green and yellow, turning in the fall to a bright combination of pink, reds and purple; good powdery mildew and anthracnose resistance
Welch's Bay Beauty	'Welch's Bay Beauty' - double, gardenia-like flower that are almost 5 inches wide; horizontal to upright branching; white to pink spring flowers; good powdery mildew resistance
Appalachian Spring	'Appalachian Spring' - white flowers, marked anthracnose resistance

Photos



Cornus florida - Bark



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Cornus florida - Bud



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Cornus florida - Flower Buds



Cornus florida - Flowers



Cornus florida var. *rubra* - Flowers



Cornus florida - Habit, Flowers



Cornus florida - Bud



Cornus florida - Flower