

RED-OSIER DOGWOOD

Cornus sericea



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Mature Height	8-12 Feet	Soil Type	Widely Adaptable
Mature Spread	8-10 Feet	Flower Color	White and Yellow
Mature Form	Upright Oval	Foliage Color	Green
Growth Rate	Moderate	Fall Color	Reddish-Purple
Sun Exposure	Full Sun to Light Shade	Zones	2-7
Soil Moisture	Widely Adaptable		

The Red-osier Dogwood, *Cornus sericea*, is a freely spreading shrub with many stems. It can brighten a winter landscape with its shiny red coloring. The Red-osier Dogwood blooms in late May or early June with numerous white flowers in dense, flat-topped clusters. In August or September, pale blue berry-like fruits become visible on the shrub.

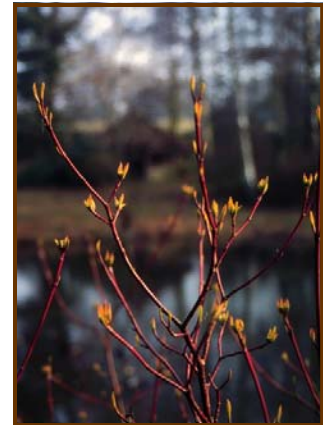
The Red-osier Dogwood is shade tolerant and adapted to both wet and dry sites and a variety of soil types. It is easily grown, but should be pruned periodically to maintain its vivid color. This shrub is particularly good for erosion control on stream banks because branch tips touching the ground will take root.



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