



ALTERNATE-LEAF DOGWOOD (*Cornus alternifolia*)



Soil Type: Sand or Loam

Moisture Moist

Drainage Requirements:
Good-excellent

Sun/Shade: Shade, but full sun with enough moisture.

Maximum Height:
up to 8-10 m (26-32ft)

Max Width/Spread:
up to 25 ft (7.5m)

Growth Rate: Slow

Flowers: Early Spring

Fruit: Late summer, early autumn

Human Edible Fruit?: No

Fun Fact: Also known as the Pagoda Dogwood, is named for its alternate arrangement of leaves, separating it from other dogwoods. This shrub needs moist soil all summer long so provide it with a generous amount of mulch unless planting near water. With ample space to grow, this species can look more like a tree if pruned properly.

Suitable For: Backyards where the tree has some shelter from winds.

Not Suitable For: Planting along streets. Intolerable of urban conditions. Poor soil conditions.

Maintenance Level: Low

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