



Cornus alternifolia



Height	6-8 m
Width	6-8m
Crown	round/spherical, half-open crown
Bark and branches	brown, green
Leaf	green
Flowers	cream white, flowers in May
Fruits	blue, black
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	5b (-26,0 to -23,4 °C)
Wind resistance	good
Other resistances	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
Fauna tree	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
Application	tree containers, small gardens
Shape	multi-stem treem

Small tree up to about 8 m, initially with a broad pyramidal crown that later becomes round. The lateral branches are grouped in nearly horizontal layers on the trunk. Like *C. controversa* and unlike other *Cornus* varieties, the leaf arrangement is alternate. The underside of the dark green leaf is bluish. In late spring, creamy white flowers in erect, flat corymbs appear along the entire length of the branches. They are followed by small, blue-black berries on conspicuous red stalks. Closely related to *C. controversa* and best regarded as a smaller version of this.