



Cornus florida



Height	4 - 7 m
Width	4-6m
Crown	wide, round, half-open crown, capricious growing
Bark and branches	grey, slightly flaking
Leaf	oval to ovate, dark green, underside grey, 7 - 13 cm
Autumn colour	red, purple
Flowers	green yellow, in small heads, 4 white bracts, May/June
Fruits	red berry-like stone fruits, circa 1.5 cm
Spines/thorns	None
Toxicity	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
Soil type	well-drained soils
Soil moisture	withstand short flood
Paving	tolerates no paving
Winter hardiness zone	6b (-20,5 to -17,8 °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	small gardens, patio gardens
Shape	clearstem tree, feathered tree, multi-stem tree
Origin	eastern North America

Starting from a shrub and growing into a small tree with multiple stems and a spherical crown. When maturing the branches may hang down a little, making the crown as wide as it is high. The tree grows slowly. Twigs turn from red brown into grey. Mature trunks get grey spots due to flaking. The leaf is dark green and the underside is grey. In autumn it colours beautifully from scarlet red to violet. Each head with inconspicuous little flowers is surrounded by 4 bracts that are large and have a white to slightly pinkish-red hue. This makes the inflorescence in full bloom very decorative. The ovate fruits are circa 1.5 cm across and are red coloured. The plant is shallow rooting with a fibrous root system and requires a rich soil with a high humus content, that is not too dry.