Winter Beauty Dogwood

Cornus sanguinea 'Winter Beauty'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Bloodtwig Dogwood

Description:

A highly ornamental shrub characterized by bright orange-yellow stems that are tipped with red twigs, fall color is golden-yellow tinged with red; attractive flowers and fruit; a fine choice for winter landscapes



Winter Beauty Dogwood stems
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Ornamental Features

Winter Beauty Dogwood has clusters of creamy white flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring. It has green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval leaves turn an outstanding gold in the fall. It produces deep purple berries in late summer. The red bark and harvest gold branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.



Winter Beauty Dogwood in winter
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Landscape Attributes

Winter Beauty Dogwood is a dense multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spreading

Winter Beauty Dogwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

Planting & Growing

Winter Beauty Dogwood will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.