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RED-TWIG DOGWOOD

Cornus sericea, also *Swida sericea*

Beautiful flowering shrub with red stems when young.
Very attractive to wildlife (including deer). Colorful autumn foliage.

Growing Information

Sunlight	Full sun to part shade
Soil Type	Adaptable, moist, well-drained
Height	6–9'
Flowering calendar	May to June

Benefits for Wildlife

Leaves	Yes
Flowers	Yes
Fruit	Yes
Seeds	Yes

Host to 120 caterpillar species, including:

(*common names*) Definite Tussock Moth;
Crocus Geometer; Funerary Dagger Moth;
Red-Humped Caterpillar; Imperial Moth;
Polyphemus Moth; Io Moth; Cecropia
Silkmoth; Whitemarked Tussock Moth

Benefits for People

- Can be easily propagated by cuttings

Natural Habitat

- Riparian areas, wooded or open

