

Flowering Dogwood

Cornus florida

Height: 20-30' | Spread: 20-30' | Light: ☀-☀ | Moisture: Moist, Well-drained

The powdered bark of the trunk was reportedly used in toothpaste and black ink, and as an aspirin-like substance. Song and game birds eat the berries. Flowering dogwood is a shade-loving tree commonly found growing as an understory species near the forest floor. It is not tolerant of stresses such as heat, drought, pollution, or road salt. Easily susceptible to powdery mildew.



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