



**Isanti Dogwood**  
*Cornus sericea 'Isanti'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 6 feet

Sunlight: ☉ ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

**Description:**

A compact and very hardy shrub, dark green foliage turns red-purple in fall, red stems, white flowers followed by white berries, ideal for general garden use in northern landscapes; excellent for massing; occasional suckering

**Ornamental Features**

Isanti Dogwood has clusters of creamy white flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. It produces white berries in late summer. The red branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

**Landscape Attributes**

Isanti Dogwood is a 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, and can be pruned at anytime. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Isanti Dogwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Isanti Dogwood*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Isanti Dogwood in winter*  
Photo courtesy of University of Minnesota

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Isanti 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 fast 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 is an amazingly adaptable plant, tolerating both dry conditions and even some standing water. 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 selection of a native North American species.