



Cornus florida CHEROKEE DAYBREAK ('Daybreak')



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| Height | 4-7 m |
| Crown | round/spherical, dark, dense crown, capricious growing |
| Bark and branches | grey |
| Leaf | variegated, off white/ green |
| Autumn colour | red |
| Flowers | white, flowers in May |
| Fruits | red |
| Spines/thorns | None |
| Toxicity | usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock |
| Soil type | loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil |
| 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 | parks, cemeteries, large gardens, small gardens, patio gardens |
| Synonyms | Cornus florida 'Cherokee Daybreak' |

Grows from a shrub into a small, multi-stemmed tree with a broad, somewhat irregular, round crown. The branches may tend to droop as the tree ages, making the crown as wide as it is high. The leaves are dark green with creamy white margins. In autumn they turn a splendid pink to deep (pinkish) red. Each head of inconspicuous flowers is surrounded by four white bracts. Unfortunately, susceptible to mildew. The plant is shallow rooting with a fibrous root system and requires humic soil, which is not too dry. On excessively dry soil, the leaf is sensitive to sunburn.