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Little Rebel Dogwood

Cornus alba 'Jefreb'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 2a

Other Names: Tatarian Dogwood

Description:

A slow growing, compact and very hardy shrub; features dense green foliage in summer and brilliant, blood red stems in winter; excellent massed, or planted in small groupings; makes a great low hedge

Ornamental Features

Little Rebel Dogwood has clusters of creamy white flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color. The red branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Little Rebel 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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Little Rebel Dogwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Little Rebel Dogwood in bloom
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Little Rebel Dogwood foliage
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Planting & Growing

Little Rebel Dogwood will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a slow 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



Little Rebel Dogwood in winter
Photo courtesy of Jeffries Nurseries