

# *Cornus alternifolia*

## Pagoda Dogwood



Host plant for blue azure and  
summer azure butterflies

- 15 to 25 feet tall
- Spreads 20 to 32 feet
- Sun to light shade
- Tolerates a range of soil types but prefers moist, well drained acidic soils
- Flat-topped clusters of tiny creamy white flowers in spring
- Clusters of small fruits ripen from green to red and finally bluish black on reddish stems beginning in summer
- Strongly horizontal pattern of branches give this plant a layered appearance

