

<< Redbud Row & Dogwood Grove >>

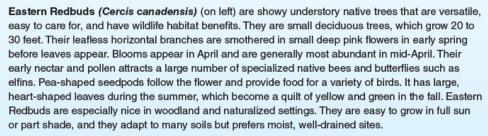








The Redbud Row and Dogwood Grove of understory trees showcase a stunning floral display mid-April into May, and has year-round interest.







Flowering Dogwoods (Cornus florida) (on right) are among the early spring-flowering native trees, and are regarded by many as unrivaled in beauty. They grow 15 to 25 feet in height (and may reach 30 to 40 feet in wooded areas). Flowering dogwoods have spreading horizontal branches and distinctive white flowers in spring. The 3" diameter flower clusters bloom mid-April to mid-May, attracting a number of butterflies and other pollinators. These deciduous native trees offer landscape interest for all seasons, beginning with a floral display in April, followed by deep, green foliage held on layered branches in the summer. With fall comes a brilliant show of scarlet to reddish purple foliage and bright red fruit (drupes) borne in small clusters. The fruit often lasts into December or until it is devoured by birds. The interesting bark texture and branches help create an excellent winter silhouette. Dogwoods prefer partial sun and nutrient-rich, well-drained soil. Because they grow in nature as understory trees, they prefer afternoon shade to shield them from blazing sunlight.











