Longfellow's Greenhouses

Ivory Halo Dogwood

Cornus alba 'Ivory Halo'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3

Description:

A compact and very hardy shrub, well suited for color contrast in many garden applications; features very showy white-variegated foliage and brilliant red stems which show up well against the winter snow

Ornamental Features

Ivory Halo Dogwood has attractive white-variegated green foliage on a plant with a round habit of growth. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color. It has clusters of creamy white flowers at the ends of the branches in late spring. It produces white berries in mid summer. The red branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Ivory Halo 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.

Ivory Halo Dogwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Ivory Halo Dogwood
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Ivory Halo Dogwood foliage
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Planting & Growing

Ivory Halo Dogwood will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



Ivory Halo Dogwood in spring
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