Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups

Cornus 'KN30-8'



Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups flowers
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Height: 20 feet

Spread: 25 feet

Sunlight: ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Description:

A heavily flowering hybrid featuring long lasting pink blooms with magenta edges that cover it in spring; foliage turns a rich red in the fall; a great choice for a front yard accent tree. Needs wind protection.

Ornamental Features

Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups is smothered in stunning clusters of rose flowers with pink overtones and hot pink edges held atop the branches from late spring to early summer. It has attractive rose-variegated green foliage. The glossy pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding red in the fall. However, the fruit can be messy in the landscape and may require occasional clean-up. The peeling gray bark and antique red branches are extremely showy and add significant winter interest.

Landscape Attributes

Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups is a deciduous tree with an upright spreading habit of growth. 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 tree will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It is a good choice for attracting birds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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Planting & Growing

Dogwood Tree, Rosy Teacups will grow to be about 20 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 25 feet. It has a high canopy with a typical clearance of 6 feet from the ground, and should not be planted underneath power lines. As it matures, the lower branches of this tree can be strategically removed to create a high enough canopy to support unobstructed human traffic underneath. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 80 years or more.

This tree should be grown in a location with partial shade or which is shaded from the hot afternoon sun. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils, and is subject to chlorosis (yellowing) of the foliage in alkaline soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Clean up Rating (1-5) 1=least effort 5=most effort

Clean Up Rating (4): The fruit is approximately 1 to 1 1/2 inch berries turning pinkish red in the fall, generally eaten by birds. The fruit can be scooped or raked and bagged. Leaves can be blown or raked onto the lawn and mowed or bagged. Dogwood trees are under story trees that grow best in an established neighborhood that provides heat and wind protection from larger trees; it also requires well-drained acidic soils and adequate precipitation.