Dogwood Tree, Eddie's White Wonder

Cornus 'Eddie's White Wonder'

Height: 30 feet

Spread: 20 feet

Sunlight: ◐

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Description:

A fabulous hybrid adorned with striking white blooms in spring, and foliage that changes to a rich red in the fall; vigorous grower with an erect habit and slightly pendulous branches

Ornamental Features

Dogwood Tree, Eddie's White Wonder is smothered in stunning clusters of white flowers with white bracts held atop the branches in mid spring. It has attractive dark green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental and turn an outstanding red in the fall. It features an abundance of magnificent crimson berries from early to mid fall. The fruit can be messy if allowed to drop on the lawn or walkways, 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, Eddie's White Wonder is a deciduous tree with a stunning habit of growth which features almost oriental horizontally-tiered branches. 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, Eddie's White Wonder is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent



Dogwood Tree, Eddie's White Wonder flowers
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Dogwood Tree, Eddie's White Wonder in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Dogwood Tree, Eddie's White Wonder will grow to be about 30 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 feet. It has a high canopy of foliage that sits well above 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 medium 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 and 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 (2): The fruit is approximately 1/2 to 3/4 inch berries, eaten by birds. Leaves and berries 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.