

RED PYGMY[™] **Cornus x 'D-376-15'** PP# 15,219 Botanic name: *Cornus florida* L. var. *rubra* West

'Rutnut' Red Pygmy[™] **Dwarf Flowering Dogwood**

Rare dwarf Red Dogwood. Ideal for a tiny garden, for Japanese-style gardens, as specimen, or when paired with other dwarfs of comparable size and shape, particularly white dwarf dogwood cultivars of comparable height and flowering at same time.

'Red Pygmy' is a true genetic dwarf, staying under 3 feet for the first 5 years or so, and topping out at 7 feet after a decade. Young plants are floriferous, producing over 50, somewhat twisted, deep pink/red blooms, produced consistently each year. Flowers late-April into May in NJ. Dense branching with side-branches gives a mounded appearance.

Despite the small scale of the tree, the dark-pink/red flowers are sized typical of standard *C. florida*, 3"+ diameter, creating a late-spring spectacle. Fall colors are attractive orange and medium brown, and fruit are bright red. Culture, other attributes and features comparable to *C. Florida*. Zone 6a hardiness.



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