

*Cornus sericea*  
**Red-osier dogwood**



**Summer Foliage and Flowers**



**Fall Foliage and Fruits**

**Characteristics:** Broad-leaved, deciduous shrub

**Appearance:**

**Height** – 6-12 ft.

**Aerial Spread** – 6-12 ft.

**Flower Color** – White

**Flowering Period** – Late May through mid-June

**Fruit color-** White

**Fruiting period-** September

**Habitat (Community):** Forested seasonal wetlands, shrub wetlands, stream banks

**Hydrology:**

**Indicator Status** – Facultative wetland +

**Salinity** – freshwater; less than .5 ppt

**Non-Tidal Regime** – Irregularly to seasonally inundated or saturated

**Wildlife Benefits:** **Food** for eastern kingbird, brown thrasher, ring-necked pheasant, white-tailed deer, and other hoofed browsers, wild turkey, beaver, ruffed and sharp-tailed grouse, bobwhite, cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, woodchuck, raccoon, moose. **Cover and Nesting** for the American goldfinch.

**Distribution:** Newfoundland and southern Labrador to Yukon Territory, south to Nova Scotia, New England, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, New Mexico, Arizona, and California.