



**Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood**  
*Cornus kousa 'Angela Palmer'*

Height: 10 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Kousa Dogwood

**Description:**

A lovely shrubby and spreading dogwood with large soft white bracts and light green foliage with white margins; late spring blooms last for several weeks; vigorous and tolerant of most soils except very wet or dry

**Ornamental Features**

Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood features showy clusters of creamy white flowers with white bracts held atop the branches from late spring to early summer. It has light green foliage edged in white. The textured heart-shaped leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. The peeling gray bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

**Landscape Attributes**

Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub 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 is a relatively low maintenance shrub, 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. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- General Garden Use



*Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood  
foliage*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Angela Palmer Chinese Dogwood will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is very fussy about its soil conditions and must have rich, acidic soils to ensure success, 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 winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.