

# Snow Tower Kousa Dogwood



A stunning flowering tree or large shrub with good fall color. Plant as a specimen or in small groupings on residential property around homes, near patios or in lawns. Also effective in shrub borders, woodland gardens, bird gardens or naturalized areas.



## *Cornus kousa* 'Snow Tower'

- **Use:** The a handsome, small- to medium-sized tree reaching a mature height of 30 feet. Sometimes referred to as the Chinese dogwood, this Asian cousin to our native flowering dogwood can be used as a specimen plant. Makes a perfect focal point or street tree with multiple seasons of beauty! Resistant to anthracnose and blights that native dogwoods are susceptible to. Mildly resistant to deer damage.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Part sun-shade. Best when planted under other trees, but not too deep a shade or poor flowering. Moist, well-drained soil, but not soggy. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. This tree does better in open areas like lawns than the native trees do but it prefers some light shade especially in the afternoon. It prefers well-drained acidic soil and while it tolerates some dry soil it will not survive in water-logged environments.
- **Growth:** Reaches 10-15 ft. tall and 4-8 ft. wide. Young trees grow in an upright fashion and in somewhat of a tower shape.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 4-8; Tree
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Deep green foliage turns attractive shades of red in autumn.
- **Flower:** Flowers (bracts to 7" wide) are white. Abundant flowering occurs in June (slightly later than flowering on most cultivars of this species). Fruits and nesting sites attractive to songbirds. Squirrels eat fruits as well.

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