



## Pink or red dogwood - what's the difference?

Well, let's start with this.

- 1) I have seen descriptions range from pink to rose red to red to ruby red for many varieties of dogwoods.
- 2) we have in the nursery dogwoods with the same name from the same supplier with varying colors of pink to ruby red flowers on different trees.
- 3) if you Google 'Cherokee Brave' or 'Cherokee Chief' you will see many variations in color.



- Questions:
- Are the growers getting their liners mixed up?
  - Are they seedling vs. grafted plants?
  - Is the PH in the soil different?



The answer is: maybe! In my 38 years in the industry, I can't remember (not a good sign) seeing the dogwoods flowering so well this spring. The Pinks or Reds are in fact, the best I've seen. I would be happy with either color, next year they could be pinker or redder, who knows? And the white, are the brightest whites, outstanding!

I hope you have been enjoying the colors of Mother Nature. Thanks for making our landscapes so colorful.

Keep up the good work, Dan



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