Cornus kousa - the hidden gem

A small to medium sized tree, Kousa Dogwood starts as a vase shaped tree when it is young. With age this tree develops into a rounded head with beautiful exfoliating bark on the trunks. Grown as both a multi-stem and single stem tree, Kousa is an easy addition to most landscapes. The ability to tolerate full sun to part shade, as well its ability to tolerate most well drained soils makes Kousa a popular tree.





And then there are the flowers and fruit. White bracts of flowers arrive on the tree in May/June. These flowers give way to a raspberry-shaped fruit. These red fruit persist for much of the summer, adding to this plant's color and charm.

Kousa Dogwood rounds out the season with a wonderful display of reddish-purple foliage late in the year.



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