

A JN Plant Selections, LLC Introduction

# Irish Setter™

## Gray Dogwood

*Cornus racemosa x amomum* 'J.N. Red Stem'



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Selected by Michael Yanny at Johnson's Nursery, Inc.™ in the late 1990's, Irish Setter™ was first noticed because its previous season's growth retained a red color all winter. Young plants cut to the ground in spring will have reddish-orange stems the following winter, like *Cornus sericea* (Red-twig Dogwood). Irish Setter™ looks mostly like its mother, *Cornus racemosa*, but is likely a hybrid with Silky Dogwood, *Cornus amomum*.

The plant has excellent resistance to Septoria leaf spot, which will often defoliate *Cornus racemosa*. In Fall, the clean glossy foliage turns to a shiny, rich, maroon color that can last up to 4 weeks, twice as long as either of its parents.

Irish Setter™ is slower to colonize than *Cornus racemosa*. It has the same creamy white, flat-topped, 2", clusters of flowers as the species in late May-early June.

**Growers Licenses Are Available**  
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H: 8-12' S: 8-12' Zone: 3 Exposure: Full sun - Part shade



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