

# PUCKER UP!®

*Cornus stolonifera* 'Neil Z'

pp#24,812, cbr#4767

Common name: red-twig dogwood



Landscape Info:	
USDA/AHS zones:	USDA 3/AHS 8
Mature height:	3-4'/.9-1.2 m
Exposure:	Part shade-sun
Irrigation:	Average to high

Features & Benefits:	
-	Foliage is glossy and highly corrugated, giving it superior leaf-spot resistance
-	Some winter color on stems; mostly grown for foliage interest
-	Tolerant of a wide range of soil conditions; one of the most shade-tolerant shrubs
-	Native to North America
-	Useful for mass plantings, hedges, specimens, rain gardens, and mixed borders.



Cultural info:		
pH Level:	5.6 – 6.2	
Nutrient Needs:	Average	
EC (2:1 extract):	0.6 – 0.9	
Light Level:	Moderate to high	
Watering:	Moderate to high	
Rooting Out Temp:	65 – 72° F/18.3 – 22.2° C	
Overwintering Temp:	Polyhouse, no heat	
Sales Window:	All season	
Blooms On:	Old wood	
Trimming/pruning:	Trim 1-3 times	
Vernalization:	Required	
Vigor Rating:	Slow-average	
Finish Size	Liner Size	Weeks of Active Growth to Finish
1 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	14-18 • 13-17 • 12-16
2 - 3 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	20-24 • 18-22 • 16-20

Grower Tips:	
•	Easy to grow and adaptable, but not tolerant of high heat and humidity.
•	Pucker Up is slower growing than most red-twig dogwoods. Foliage, not stem color, is the main feature.
•	Trim up to three times to develop a full habit; do not cut too hard as recovery may be slow. Similarly, avoid cutting into thick stems.
•	Though this variety is resistant to leaf spot, practice good sanitation to reduce the potential in production.
NOTES:	