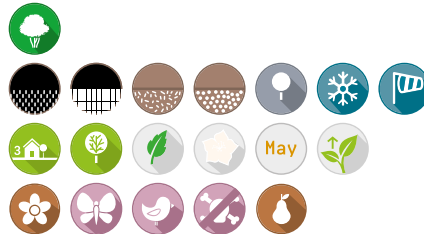




## Cornus alternifolia



<b>Height</b>	6-8 m
<b>Width</b>	6-8m
<b>Crown</b>	round/spherical, half-open crown
<b>Bark and branches</b>	brown, green
<b>Leaf</b>	green
<b>Flowers</b>	cream white, flowers in May
<b>Fruits</b>	blue, black
<b>Spines/thorns</b>	None
<b>Toxicity</b>	usually not toxic to people, (large) pets and livestock
<b>Soil type</b>	loamy soil, sandy soil, peaty soil, acid soil
<b>Paving</b>	tolerates no paving
<b>Winter hardiness zone</b>	5b (-26,0 to -23,4 °C)
<b>Wind resistance</b>	good
<b>Other resistances</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind
<b>Fauna tree</b>	resistant to frost (WH 1 - 6), can withstand wind, provides food for birds
<b>Application</b>	tree containers, small gardens
<b>Shape</b>	multi-stem treem

Small tree up to about 8 m, initially with a broad pyramidal crown that later becomes round. The lateral branches are grouped in nearly horizontal layers on the trunk. Like *C. controversa* and unlike other *Cornus* varieties, the leaf arrangement is alternate. The underside of the dark green leaf is bluish. In late spring, creamy white flowers in erect, flat corymbs appear along the entire length of the branches. They are followed by small, blue-black berries on conspicuous red stalks. Closely related to *C. controversa* and best regarded as a smaller version of this.