



Conservation District Streambank Cuttings

Red Osier Dogwood- (*cornus sericea*)

- alternate names include American, red willow, and red twig dogwood
- a deciduous, many-stemmed shrub growing 3'-10' tall
- leaves are opposite with prominent lateral veins that curve toward the tip and smooth edges
- stems and twigs are dark red when young, gradually fading to grey-green, and becoming red again in the fall and winter
- tolerates extremely cold temperatures
- a characteristic species of swamps, low meadows, and riparian zones; also found in forest openings, open forest understories, and along forest margins
- the fruit is a food source and habitat for wild birds, and a nectar source for butterflies and hummingbirds (species native to Virginia)



Streamco Willow- (*salix purpurea*)

- alternate names include purple osier willow
- a deciduous, large shrub growing 8'-10' tall
- leaves are blue-green, alternate to spiraled, with silvery-blue undersides and short petioles
- first season's growth matures as purplish-red stems with shiny red buds, changing to a light olive-gray
- wet site or dry site tolerant, takes very well to shearing or heavy rejuvenation pruning
- fast growing, easily transplanted from containers, prefers moist soil along water sources in full sun
- provides good wildlife cover value



Bankers Dwarf Willow- (*salix x cotteti*)

- alternate names include cottett willow
- a deciduous medium sized shrub growing 6'-8' tall
- smooth, slender, tough, resilient branches that are lime green at first but later change to a darker green
- a sterile hybrid, therefore it produces no seed
- growth is rapid from cuttings, grows best on moist sites that are subject to periodic flooding and overflow
- provides late winter food to songbirds and other wildlife

