

Washington Flora Checklist

A checklist of the Vascular Plants of Washington State Hosted by the University of Washington Herbarium

Family: Cornaceae

5 terminal taxa (species, subspecies, and varieties).

The Washington Flora Checklist aims to be a complete list of the native and naturalized vascular plants of Washington State, with current classifications, nomenclature and synonymy.

Taxa included in the checklist:

- Native taxa whether extant, extirpated, or extinct.
- Exotic taxa that are naturalized, escaped from cultivation, or persisting wild.
- Waifs (e.g., ballast plants, escaped crop plants) and other scarcely collected exotics.
- Interspecific hybrids that are frequent or self-maintaining.
- Some unnamed taxa in the process of being described.

Family classifications follow [APG IV](#) for angiosperms, PPG I (J. Syst. Evol. 54:563-603. 2016.) for pteridophytes, and Christenhusz et al. (Phytotaxa 19:55-70. 2011.) for gymnosperms, with a few exceptions. Nomenclature and synonymy at the rank of genus and below follows the [2nd Edition of the Flora of the Pacific Northwest](#) except where superceded by new information.

Accepted names are indicated with **blue type**, synonyms with **gray type**.

Native species and infraspecies are marked with **bold-face type**.

*Non-native and introduced taxa are preceded by an asterisk.

Please note: This is a working checklist, continuously updated. Use it at your discretion.

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Dicots:

Cornaceae [HC, HC2] Dogwood Family

Cornus [HC, HC2]

dogwood

Cornus canadensis L. [HC, HC2]

Sp. Pl. 1: 118. 1753.

bunchberry, puddingberry

(see also *Cornus unalaschkensis*)

Cornus nuttallii Audubon [HC, HC2]

Ornithological Biography 4: 482. 1838.

mountain dogwood, Nuttall's dogwood, Pacific dogwood, western flowering dogwood

Cornus occidentalis (Torr. & A. Gray) Coville [HC2]

Contr. U.S. Natl. Herb. 4: 117. 1893.

creek dogwood, western red osier

(see also *Cornus stolonifera*)

Cornus sericea L. ssp. *occidentalis* (Torr. & A. Gray) Fosberg [JPM]

Cornus stolonifera Michx. var. *occidentalis* (Torr. & A. Gray) C.L. Hitchc. [HC]

Cornus stolonifera Michx. [HC, HC2, ILBC2]

Fl. Bor.-Amer. (Michaux) 1: 92. 1803.

red-osier dogwood

(see also *Cornus occidentalis*)

Cornus sericea L., Ambiguous

Cornus sericea L. ssp. *sericea* [JPM]

Cornus stolonifera Michx. var. *stolonifera* [HC]

Cornus unalaschkensis Ledeb. [HC2, IFBC]

Flora Rossica 2: 378. 1844.

western bunchberry

Tetraploid presumably derived from hybridization between *C. canadensis* and *C. suecica*.