



Plant Information

Common Name: American pussy willow
Scientific Name: *Salix discolor*
Plant Type: Shrubs

Physical Characteristics

Height/Spread: 2-4 meters tall and wide
Growth Rate: Fast
Flower Color(s): Yellowish-white
Foliage Color(s): Bluish-green
Bloom Time: Spring

Plant Description

Salix discolor, commonly known as the American pussy willow, is a fast-growing shrub with bluish-green foliage and yellowish-white flowers that bloom in the spring. This hardy plant is perfect for wet areas, offering erosion control and attracting beneficial pollinators like bees and butterflies. With a low maintenance level and the ability to thrive in various soil types, *Salix discolor* is a versatile addition to any garden or landscape. Consider planting it alongside red twig dogwood, winterberry, or river birch for a visually appealing and eco-friendly garden design.

Optimal Growing Requirements



Sun: Full Sun to Part Shade



Soil: Moist, well-drained



Water: Moderate Watering



Hardiness Zone(s): Zone 2-8

Maintenance & Care

Maintenance Level: Low
Potential Pests & Diseases: Susceptible to aphids and willow scab

Additional Information

Special Features: Attracts bees and butterflies, excellent for wet areas
Common Uses: Ideal for naturalizing wet areas, erosion control, and as a specimen plant

Notes



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