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VARIEGATED LEAVES

Variegated leaves feature another colour besides green, such as white, yellow or cream. The non-green area is a result of no chlorophyll in the leaf in this particular area. Most variegated leaves do not follow a specific pattern but have more unique and random spotting.

Variegated leaves are a welcome sight to spruce up any setting. Their unique coloring helps to accent the landscape and brighten up a corner. Variegation ranges from mottled leaves, to yellow and green patterns to white accents on otherwise green leaves.



Cornus alba 'Ivory Halo' (Ivory Halo Dogwood) Zone 3 - Compact dense shrub with a fine texture. Light green and white variegated foliage. Brilliant red stems add winter interest. 1.5-2M/5-6' tall and wide. Pictured at right.



Acer platanoides 'Drummondii' (Harlequin Maple) Zone 4 - Variegated foliage with light green leaves and creamy white edge is unique to this variety. Growth habit is broadly oval. Leaves turn yellow for fall. 12M/40' tall by 9M/30' wide. Pictured at left.



Salix hakuro 'Nishiki' (Dappled Willow) Zone 4 - Variegated leaves emerge with pink new growth. Young leaves are variegated with white and green colours. Top grafted, standard form with a rounded crown. 2-2.5M/6-8' tall. Pictured at right.



Cornus mas 'Variegata' (Variegated Cornelian Cherry Dogwood) Zone 5a - Variegated leaves are blue-green with white margins. Small yellow flowers appear before the leaves in late winter to early spring and lead to red berries in summer. Multi-stemmed shrub with an oval growth habit. 6M/20' tall by 4.5M/15' wide. Pictured at left.

Cornus kousa 'Wolf's Eye' (Wolf's eye dogwood) Zone 5- Shrubby, broad form with white flowers. Narrow folded leaves emerge grey-green with a white margin. Autumn offers a rainbow of colours. The white margin fades to pink as the center of the leaf turns orange. 4.5M/15' tall and wide. Pictured at right.



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