

Silky dogwood (*Cornus amomum*): This medium-sized shrub is found in wetlands, streams and moist areas. Its twigs and leaf undersides have silky hairs. Butterflies use its flowers for nectar and it is an important food source for mining bee species. Its fruits are eaten by songbirds and mammals and it is a larval host to spring and summer azure butterflies. Blooms May through June.

