



Hydrangea guide for landscapes

Hydrangea arborescens – Smooth Hydrangea

These hydrangeas will always flower year after year. They flower on new wood and should be trimmed back after they flower or in the fall. They will flower in shade as well as full sun. If planted in the shade they have a tendency to flop and may need to be supported. In full sun watering is very important.

Varieties carried:

Annabelle – Has large pure white ball shaped blooms

Incrediball – Has larger pure white blooms than Annabelle and sturdier stems

Incrediball Blush – Similar to the original incrediball but with large blush pink blooms

Invincibelle Spirit II – A pink flowering Annabelle. Smaller but deeper pink blooms than Incrediball Blush

Invincibelle Mini Mauvette – Dwarf mauve pink flower

Invincibelle Wee White – Dwarf white flower

Invincibelle Limetta – Dwarf lime green flower. (Grows larger than Wee White)

Hydrangea serrata – Mountain Hydrangea

These hydrangeas have better bud hardiness than macrophylla hydrangea which makes them a more reliable bloomer. These plants have lace cap flowers. This variety grows best in shade or partial sun. flower colors range from pink to blue depending on the soil ph. These plants flower on old wood so do not trim plants back in the fall. The best time to trim them is in the summer after they flower.

Varieties carried:

Blue Bird – Hardy lace cap variety

Tuff Stuff- This variety is a rebloomer and has bigger florets than Blue Bird

Tuff Stuff Red- This variety is a rebloomer and has red flowers

Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha- This variety has larger flowers than Tuff stuff and is a very good rebloomer

Hydrangea macrophylla – Large Leaf Hydrangea

These hydrangeas are known as the 'Blue' flowering hydrangeas. They flower on old wood so do not trim these plants in the fall or spring. The best time to trim them is in the summer after they bloom. In Michigan, this hydrangea is not always a reliable bloomer depending on the year. The varieties that are listed as rebloomers are more likely to flower in our Michigan climate. Also, these plants will not bloom if they are over fertilized or watered and kept 'too happy.' These plants will grow in shade as well as sun but will have leaf wilt in full sun during the warmest part of the day so it is best to give them afternoon shade. Flower colors will range from pink to blue depending on the soil ph. Fertilize them with aluminum sulfate to produce blue color flowers.



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Nikko Blue – The macrophylla that everyone knows. Does not rebloom

All Summer Beauty – Rebloomer pink to blue flower

Forever and Ever Pink – Rebloomer pink flower

Glowing Embers – Deep pink/red flower glossy leaf

Cityline Paris - Dwarf red flower

LA Dreamin – Rebloomer multicolor flowers ranging from pink to blue on the same plant

Endless Summer Series

Original – The first reblooming macrophylla that came to the market pink to blue flower

Bloomstruck – Rebloomer has red stems. Deep pink/red to deep purple/blue flowers

Twist and Shout – Rebloomer lacecap pink to blue flowers

Blushing Bride – Rebloomer white flower

Summer Crush- Rebloomer, dwarf red flower

Let's Dance Series

Moonlight – Rebloomer pink to blue flower

Blue Jangles- Rebloomer compact grower pink to blue flower

Rhythmic Blue – Rebloomer grows larger than blue jangles pink to blue flower

Rave – Rebloomer deep blue/purple flower to a deep pink

Hydrangea paniculate-Panicle Hydrangea

These hydrangeas all have a cone shaped flower and are very reliable bloomers. They flower on new wood and it is best to trim them in the fall or early spring before bud break. These plants need full sun to part shade. If planted in too much shade they will not bloom. Many varieties start out flowering white and will fade to a lime green, pink, or red depending on the variety.

Varieties carried:

Phantom - Largest white flowers of all varieties we carry. Size 6-8'

Limelight - Large white/lime green flowers. Size 5-8'

Little Lime - Dwarf version of limelight with lime green flowers. Size 3-5'

Bobo- Smallest dwarf variety covered with pure white flowers that fade to a light pink Size 2.5-3'

Quickfire- Earliest blooming variety that fades to a nice pink/red. Size 5-8'

Little Quickfire- Dwarf version of Quickfire. Size 3-5'

Pink Diamond- White flowers that fade to a pink/red. Size 5-8'

Pinky Winky- Large flowers emerge white and fade to pink from the bottom gradually up to the top. Size 5-8'

Zinfin Doll - Has flowers similar to pinky winky but are denser. Plant grows smaller than pinky winky. Size 4.5-6'

Fire Light – Has full white flowers that fade to a deep pink/red. Size 5-8'

Vanilla Strawberry – Has large dense flowers that start out white and fade to a rich strawberry color Size 5-8'

Strawberry Sundae – A dwarf version of Vanilla strawberry. Dense Flowers fade to a light strawberry color. Size 4-5'



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Hydrangea quercifolia-Oakleaf Hydrangea

Oakleaf hydrangeas have large textured oak leaf foliage. The flowers are cone shaped, white in color and appear in June. Stems are exfoliating and have a similar appearance to river birch bark. Plants will grow in full sun to partial shade. Oakleafs flower on old wood so the best time to trim them is after they flower in July. They are more reliable to flower than macrophylla types. Prefers well drained soil.

Varieties carried:

Snow Queen – Improved selection with large pure white flowers

Alice – Large white flowers

Ruby Slippers – Semi-dwarf with flowers that fade to a nice deep pink

Gatsby Pink – Proven Winner has large white flowers that fade to a nice pink

Pee Wee – Dwarf with large white flowers

Skies Dwarf – Smallest dwarf variety