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Silver Dollar Hydrangea Hydrangea paniculata 'Silver Dollar'

Height: 5 feet Spread: 5 feet Sunlight: O O

Hardiness Zone: 4

## **Description:**

An audacious medium-sized shrub covered in absolutely gigantic mop-like clusters of sterile white flowers, like PeeGee flowers on steroids; start out white and fade to pink over the season, long-blooming; a relatively coarse shrub needing regular pruning

## **Ornamental Features**

Silver Dollar Hydrangea features bold conical white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid summer to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

## Landscape Attributes

Silver Dollar Hydrangea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Silver Dollar Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



Silver Dollar Hydrangea flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Silver Dollar Hydrangea in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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## **Planting & Growing**

Silver Dollar Hydrangea will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.



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