



## **Annabelle Hydrangea**

*Hydrangea arborescens 'Annabelle'*

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: ☐ ☒ ☐

Hardiness Zone: 3a

### **Description:**

A hardy, showy shrub which features enormous ball-shaped white flower heads in mid summer, lasting for a long time; best if treated like a perennial and pruned to a few inches from the ground in spring, add fresh new season blooms to your garden

### **Ornamental Features**

Annabelle Hydrangea features bold balls of white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has forest green deciduous foliage. The heart-shaped leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Annabelle Hydrangea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. Its strikingly bold and coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced landscape composition.

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

Annabelle Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



*Annabelle Hydrangea in bloom*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Annabelle Hydrangea will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub performs well in both full sun and full 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 selection of a native North American species.