## Wilson's Lifestyle Centre

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### **Confetti Hydrangea**



Confetti™ Hydrangea Hydrangea paniculata 'Vlasveld002'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 4a

#### **Description:**



Confetti Hydrangea flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

A showy compact selection, known for its towering, intricate panicles of white flowers that turn pink from the bottom up as the season progresses; great for small gardens and suitable for container gardening

#### **Ornamental Features**

Confetti Hydrangea features bold conical white flowers at the ends of the branches from early summer to late fall, which emerge from distinctive light green flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

#### Landscape Attributes

Confetti Hydrangea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Confetti Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting

#### **Planting & Growing**

Confetti Hydrangea will grow to be about 4 feet 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 slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

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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. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. 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.

Confetti Hydrangea makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.