

——Wildly Brilliant——

Scientific & common name	How to identify	When to prune	Flowers on	Sunlight requirements	Popular varieties
Hydrangea paniculata Panicle	Cone-sha ped flowers. Skinnier, saw toothed, matte leaves that grow in 3's at a node.	Late winter/early spring, before spring growth. They can be pruned into a tree shape. Prune to 1/3 plant size.	New growth	Full sun: At least 4 hours. Likes afternoon shade in hotter climates.	Limelight, Grandiflora, Berry White, Bombshell, Bobo
Hydrangea arborescens Smooth	Thin, floppy, heart-shap ed, matte leaves with course texture and long leaf stems.	Late winter/early spring, before spring growth. They can be pruned to the ground.	New growth	Widely adaptable. Can take full sun when plenty of water is available.	Invincibelle, Incrediball, Anabelle, Invincibelle Wee White, Lime Rickey, Invincibelle Ruby
Hydrangea macrophylla Mophead	Thick, crisp, somewhat shiny leaves with short leaf stems. Globe-sha	After flowering (summer), or in the late winter/early spring for the Endless Summer variety.	Old growth, though Endless Summer varieties can grow on old or new wood.	Partial shade to partial sun.	Endless Summer, Blue Enchantress, Nikki Blue, Blue Wave, Endless Summer Bloomstruck, Endless Summer Blushing Bride

	ped flowers.				
Hydrangea macrophylla Lacecap	Thick, crisp, somewhat shiny leaves with short leaf stems. Flat, lacy flowers with an open ring on the outside and closed buds in middle.	After flowering (summer), or late winter/early spring for the Endless Summer variety.	Old growth, though Endless Summer varieties can grow on old or new wood.	Partial shade to partial sun.	Wedding Gown, Cherry Explosion, Endless Summer Pop Star, Abracadabra Star, Let's Dance Diva, Let's Dance Starlight
Hydrangea macrophylla v. serrata Mountain	Thick, crisp, somewhat shiny leaves with short leaf stems. Small, lacecap flowers.	After flowering (summer) or late winter/early spring for those that bloom on both old and new wood.	Old growth, though many can grow on new or old wood.	Partial shade. Very cold and hardy.	Tuff Stuff, Tiny Tuff Stuff, Bluebird, Tuff Stuff Red, Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha
Hydrangea quercifolia Oakleaf	Red oak tree-shape d, big leaves that change color in autumn.	After flowering (summer).	Old growth.	Light shade to full sun. They need good sun and heat to bloom well.	Alice, Munchkin, Queen of Hearts, Snow Queen Sike's Dwarf, Snowflake, Pee Wee,

Hydrangea anomala heart-shap ed, dark green leaves that turn yellow in autumn. After flowering (summer). Old growth. At least 3 hours of full sun. Can take shade, but more blooms in more sun.
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