

# SMOOTH HYDRANGEA

## *HYDRANGEA ARBORESCENS*

### PLANT CHARACTERISTICS

 Size

3 - 5' high, 3 - 5' wide

 Sun/Shade

Full Sun to Part Shade

 Water

Medium

 Maintenance

Low

 Life Span

Woody Perennial, Zones 3-9



 Description

*Hydrangea arborescens*, also known as Smooth Hydrangea, Wild Hydrangea, Seven Bark and Hills of Snow is a fast growing woody perennial best grown in moist soils in full sun or part shade. Unlike most other hydrangea, the pH of the soil does not affect the color of its blooms. It produces tiny blooms initial white turning to green and brown/cream that grow in clusters resembling snow balls. The blooms make attractive additions to cut flower arrangements. It blooms on new wood each year so it should be cut back close to the ground in late winter. If not cut back then, spent and weakened stems can be removed in the spring. This hydrangea attracts butterflies and other pollinators and song birds feast on the seeds. It is prone to multiple insect and disease problems.

Source: [NC State Extension](#)



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