



## **Tiny Quick Fire® Hydrangea**

*Hydrangea paniculata* 'SMNHPSB'

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 30 inches

Sunlight: ☉ ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

### **Description:**

The smallest, most versatile version of Quick Fire, featuring large conical flower heads that start white and fade to an attractive red-pink, lasting into fall; great for border fronts or massing in drifts

### **Ornamental Features**

Tiny Quick Fire Hydrangea features bold conical white flowers with creamy white overtones at the ends of the branches from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall colour.

### **Landscape Attributes**

Tiny Quick Fire 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 has no significant negative characteristics.

Tiny Quick Fire Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Tiny Quick Fire Hydrangea will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. It has a low canopy. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.



*Tiny Quick Fire Hydrangea flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Tiny Quick Fire Hydrangea in bloom*  
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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. To help this plant achieve 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.

Tiny Quick Fire 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.