



### **Invincibelle® Spirit Smooth Hydrangea** *Hydrangea arborescens 'NCHA1'*

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 3a

#### **Description:**

This hot new selection features enormous ball-shaped deep pink flower heads in mid summer, lasting for a very long time; best if treated like a perennial and pruned to a few inches from the ground in spring, blooms on new growth; somewhat coarse

#### **Ornamental Features**

Invincibelle Spirit Smooth Hydrangea features bold balls of hot pink flowers with rose overtones at the ends of the branches from early 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 color.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Invincibelle Spirit Smooth 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.

Invincibelle Spirit Smooth Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use
- Naturalizing And Woodland Gardens

#### **Planting & Growing**

Invincibelle Spirit Smooth Hydrangea will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. 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. However, you may want to keep it away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. 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.



*Invincibelle Spirit Smooth Hydrangea flowers*  
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*Invincibelle Spirit Smooth Hydrangea in bloom*  
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