Waltons Garden Center
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Endless Summer® Hydrangea 'The Original'

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Bailmer'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Other Names: French Hydrangea, Bigleaf Hydrangea

Group/Class: Endless Summer Series

Description:

An absolute breakthrough for this much-desired species, this spectacular summer-bloomer is not only very hardy, but it blooms on both old and new wood; enormous deep pink globe-shaped flowers turn blue in acidic soil, somewhat coarse leaves

Ornamental Features

Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' features bold balls of hot pink flowers with blue overtones at the ends of the branches from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has forest green deciduous foliage. The glossy pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. 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 should only be pruned after flowering to avoid removing any of the current season's flowers. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' is recommended for the following landscape applications;



Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' flowers
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use
- Container Planting



Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. 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. It requires an evenly moist well-drained soil for optimal growth. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type, but has a definite preference for acidic soils. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Endless Summer Hydrangea 'The Original' makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used 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.