# Ruby Snow™ Hydrangea

***Hydrangea paniculata 'Bokorubs'***



*Ruby Snow Hydrangea flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Plant Height: 3 feet

Flower Height: 4 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 3

**Description:**

A stunning compact yet vigorous selection; showy panicles of billowy white flowers in summer, that mature to raspberry pink tones as they age; regular pruning recommended; needs slightly acidic well-drained soil

**Ornamental Features**

Ruby Snow Hydrangea features bold conical white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has attractive green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves are highly ornamental but do not develop any appreciable fall color. The dark red stems are very effective and add winter interest.

**Landscape Attributes**

Ruby Snow 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.

Ruby Snow Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

**Planting & Growing**

Ruby Snow Hydrangea will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity extending to 4 feet tall with the flowers, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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. 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.