

## **Riverbend Nurseries**

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### **Incrediball® Blush Smooth Hydrangea**

*Hydrangea arborescens 'NCHA4'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 3

#### **Description:**

An exciting new introduction to the world of hydrangeas, this shrub produces huge flower clusters on sturdy stems; best if treated like a perennial and pruned to a few inches from the ground in spring because it blooms on new growth

#### **Ornamental Features**

Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea features bold balls of pink flowers with silver overtones at the ends of the branches from mid to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The heart-shaped leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Incrediball Blush 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.

Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



*Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea in bloom*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea will grow to be about 5 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, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. 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.

### **Nursery Notes**

This variety of hydrangea performs best with at least 6 hours of sunlight. It needs morning sun with good afternoon shade to protect it from the hottest sun of the day.



*Incrediball Blush Smooth Hydrangea flowers (faded)  
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