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Hydrangea arborescens 'Abetwo' pp#20,571, cbr#4166

Common name: smooth hydrangea



Landscape Info:		
USDA/AHS zones:	USDA 3/AHS 9	
Mature height:	4-5′/1.2-1.5 m	
Exposure:	Part-full sun	
Irrigation:	Moderate	

Features & Benefits:

- Improved 'Annabelle' hydrangea with stronger stems and larger flowers.
- Flowers start cream, turn to white, then go to jade green, which persists through autumn.
- Best flower set, size, and stem strength occurs in min. 6 hours of sun.
- Native to North America
- Great for landscaping and cut or dried flowers.



Cultural info:		
pH Level:	5.6 - 6.2	
Nutrient Needs:	High	
EC (2:1 extract):	0.6 – 0.9	
Light Level:	High	
Watering:	Average	
Rooting Out Temp:	65 – 72° F/18.3 – 22.2° C	
Overwintering Temp:	Polyhouse – no heat (where hardy)	
Sales Window:	All season; early summer bloom is persistent	
Blooms On:	New wood	
Trimming/pruning:	Pinch or shear 2-4 times	
Vernalization:	Required	
Vigor Rating:	Moderate to fast	
Finish Size	Liner Size	Weeks of Active Growth to Finish
1 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	8-10 • 7-9 • 6-8 (see notes)
2 -3 gallon	4" • QT	16-20 • 14-18

Grower Tips:

- Hydrangea arborescens grows quickly so is best grown in two gallon containers or larger. However, one gallon plants can be produced rapidly for same-season sales; any that do not sell can then be shifted to three or five gallon cans and turned in an additional 10-14 weeks.
- Potting a 2 ¼" liner directly into 3 gallon is not recommended.
- Trim 2-4 times during growing season. When dormant, cut back by a few inches to ensure a compact flush for sale.
- Flower color is not affected by soil pH.
- Applying B-Nine and Cycocell darkens foliage and encourages a dense, appealing container presentation; proper timing is crucial for success, so consult our info sheet for details.

NOTES: