

FIRELIGHT TIDBIT™

Hydrangea paniculata 'SMNHPK'

ppaf, cbraf

Common name: panicle hydrangea



Landscape Info:	
USDA zones:	3-8
Mature height:	2-3'/.6-.9 m
Exposure:	Full sun
Irrigation:	Moderate

Features & Benefits:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Very dwarf hydrangea, meant for the front of the border - Late season bloomer with creamy green flowers that quickly age to a bright pink, creating an array of bright colors - Full mophead hydrangea with good flower coverage, from top to bottom of the plant



Cultural info:		
pH Level:	5.6 - 6.2	
Nutrient Needs:	Average	
EC (2:1 extract):	0.6 – 0.9	
Light Level:	High	
Watering:	Average to high	
Rooting Out Temp:	65 – 72° F/18.3 – 22.2° C	
Overwintering Temp:	Polyhouse – no heat (where hardy)	
Sales Window:	All season; summer bloom is persistent	
Blooms On:	New wood	
Trimming/pruning:	Trim 2-3 times	
Vernalization:	Required	
Vigor Rating:	Average	
Finish Size	Liner Size	Weeks of Active Growth to Finish
1 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	12-16 • 11-15 • 10-14
2 - 3 gallon	2 ¼" • 4" • QT	22-26 • 20-24 • 18-22

Grower Tips:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Much like Bobo®, this plant starts off slow in a container compared to larger varieties, monitor media moisture closely after transplanting. • Trim 2-3 times to build plant body. • Benefits from a dormant prune, removing up to a third of the top growth, early in the spring prior to flush. If a subsequent trim must be done at the nursery before shipping, it should occur in late spring at the latest to allow flower buds to develop. • Panicle hydrangeas prefer to fill the container with roots before they put on top growth. • Somewhat susceptible to spider mites, scout often and treat aggressively. Avoid stress to minimize threat. • For late season sales, avoid drought stress to preserve good flower color.
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