

Let's Dance Blue Arriba Hydrangea



**A must have
for every
shade
garden!**

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Let's Dance Blue Arriba' ('SMNHSC' USPP 33,206,)

- **Use:** Don't blink! This cute little shrub will grow to maturity and fill out within a couple seasons. Let's Dance ¡Arriba! is one of the most prolifically flowering, fastest-growing reblooming hydrangeas we've seen! Its flower color is dependent on the soil pH, but no matter what type of soil you have, you can depend on brilliant color.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Partial (60-70% of the day) sun is best. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Keep water off leaves. **DO NOT PLANT IN FULL SUN!** in the South or you will get leaf burn in August and it will wilt on hot days. Large, full flower heads will readily go heavenly blue in acid soils; in alkaline soils, they'll be vivid pink.
- **Growth:** Fast-growing to 2-3 feet high; equal width in only 4 years. Cannot be pruned at any point in the year without negatively impacting the flowering. As such, it's best to avoid pruning this hydrangea altogether. If portions of the plant were damaged from winter weather, they can be removed in spring when it is clear where the new growth is emerging.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 5-9 Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Large heart shaped leaves.
- **Flower:** The only truly compact reblooming hydrangea and blooms on old wood and new wood, so you get more flowers over a longer period from spring to fall. The "default" color tends to be pink, and that is the color they will display in neutral (pH 7.0) or higher soil. The soil must be acidic (at least 6.5 or so) for the blue color to develop, and aluminum, a naturally occurring soil mineral, must be present. If you are not satisfied with the flower color in your yard, get a soil test so that you know exactly what must be changed. We do not recommend applying any kind of treatment "just in case" - that's a waste of time and money, and could potentially lead to pollution or create inhospitable conditions in the soil.

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