

Midnight Rider™ Mophead Hydrangea



**A new introduction
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Hydrangea macrophylla 'Midnight Rider' 'RLL-12-20'

- **Use:** Dark blossoms hold their color well above near purple foliage to create a striking effect in the garden. A great improvement on a Southern Garden classic.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Morning sun and afternoon shade is best. DO NOT PLANT IN FULL SUN! (In full sun they wilt constantly in our hot summer heat and leaf burn) Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Keep water off leaves. Pink mophead inflorescence in non-aluminum-based media and blue inflorescence in aluminum-based media, and compact, rounded to spreading growth habit.
- **Growth:** Fast-growing to 3-5' high; 3-5' width in only 4 years.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 6-9 Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Foliage of is a deep purple, almost black in color, throughout the season.
- **Flower:** Rosy-pink flowers from spring to fall bloom on old and new wood.