Ah Ha Tuff Stuff Hydrangea



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Hydrangea serrata 'Tuff Stuff Ah Ha'

- <u>Use</u>: When it comes to blooming, Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha® hydrangea can't stop, won't stop! Not only is this a beautiful mountain hydrangea with waterlily-like double florets. But that's only part of the story it's also a prolific rebloomer. All summer long, it devotes its energies to creating flower buds on its new growth so that you have a constant supply of fabulous blooms from early summer through frost. Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha® hydrangea will bloom pink or blue, depending on soil chemistry. <u>Tuff Stuff Ah-Ha hydrangea is featured in the Proven Winners "Power Puff Girl" magazine ad.</u>
- Exposure/Soil: Partial sun, afternoon shade. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Keep water off leaves. DO NOT PLANT IN FULL SUN, unless you want to see leaf burn and water constantly! Most striking color is achieved in acid earth. In neutral soil, both pink and blue flowers appear. With adding lime and elevating the pH they will turn pink. Add Aluminum Sulfate for a deeper blue, but they usually remain blue in our low pH soils without amendment.
- **Growth**: t has a moderate growth to 2-3' tall and 2-3' wide.
- Hardiness: Zone 5-9; Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Foliage provides another visual interest in fall when it turns to copper or deep red.
- <u>Flower:</u> Has the ability to change bloom color. Blue lacecap flowers appear if you have acidic soil which is normal in the south, and you will get pink tints if your soil is alkaline. Just change the acidity of the soil to match the color you prefer.