

# Old Fashioned/ European Snowball Bush



Considered to be an heirloom plant, possibly why it is the most commonly known viburnum to the public. Blooms profusely with large, double 3" flowers in "snowballs" in mid May. Flowers are first apple green, changing to pure white for an extended period. In high demand by the floral industry as a cut flower for arrangements.

## *Viburnum opulus 'Roseum'*

- **Use:** European Snowball Viburnum has been produced in Europe since the 16th century and is one of the most recognized of the viburnums. The shrub can grow to 12 feet tall with a 12-15 foot spread and a dense rounded crown. Best used for formal or informal hedge, border, entranceway, foundation, or specimen shrub, often in group plantings.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full to part sun. Requires well-drained soil and good moisture.
- **Growth:** Grows quickly to 12 feet tall and wide; can be cut back every three to four years to 2' to 3' to control size if necessary, right after flowers finish.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-8; Shrub
- **Foliage:** Deciduous; The leaves are maple-tree shaped and have reddish-orange fall color.
- **Flower:** In May it produces large clusters of sterile green flowers that mature to white and then pink. They make good cut flowers and no fruits are produced. Excellent cut flowers for floral arrangements.