



HYDRANGEA



Botanical name: *Hydrangea macrophylla*, *H. paniculata*.

Family: Hydrangeaceae

Common Name: Hydrangea

Country of Origin: Japan, China

Available: November to April

Stem Length: 30 to 70 cm

Hydrangea has long been a popular garden flower and is valued as a cut flower for its unusual colour mix of pink and blue. Flowerheads are made up of many small star-shaped flowers arranged to form a large dome shape. Flower colour varies from white, pink, red or purple to green or pale blue and can often be a mixture of several of these colours. Colour is dependent on the pH of the soil in which the plant is growing – acid soils produce blue flowers, neutral soils produce very pale cream petals, and alkaline soils result in pink or purple.

Of the over 100 species of *Hydrangea* only two are used as cut flowers: *H. macrophylla* which is the most commonly used and forms rounded flowerheads, and *H. paniculata* which has pyramid-shaped flowerheads.

Hydrangeas are all grown outdoors in the field, mostly in the southern states and Queensland.

Types: *H. macrophylla*, *H. paniculata*

When Buying Look for:

- Fully open flowers;
- Avoid bunches with brown flowers.

Flower Care

1. Keep cool at all times.
2. Strip leaves from the lower half of each stem.
3. Recut at least 2 cm off each stem with sharp secateurs and place in water immediately.
4. Never bash or split stems.
5. Preservative is essential.
6. Replace water every day.
7. Hydrangeas make great dried flowers. Use a diluted glycerine solution, or simply place in @ 3 cm of water and do not add extra water. Keep away from bright light as this will cause colour fade.



Interesting Facts and Myths

In the Language of Flowers, hydrangeas mean 'ambitious' or 'thanks for being understanding'.

THIS WEEK'S PRICES

NAME	STEMS PER BUNCH	PRICE RANGE
AGERATUM	10	\$3.00 TO \$3.50
ALLIUM - MINI	5	\$3.50
ALLIUM - DRUMSTICK	PER STEM	\$5.00
ALSTROEMERIA	SML - 7, LGE - 10	\$3.00 TO \$6.00
AMARANTHUS	10	\$6.00 TO \$8.50
ANEMONE	10	\$4.00
ANTHURIUM	PER STEM	\$1.50 TO \$3.50
ARABS EYES	5	\$2.00 TO \$3.50
ARUM LILIES	5	\$5.00 TO \$6.50
ASTERS		\$2.00 TO \$4.00
BANKSIA - BAXTERI	PER STEM	\$1.20 TO \$2.50
BANKSIA - COCCINEA	5	\$5.00
BANKSIA - HOOKERIANA	PER STEM	\$1.60
BANKSIA - MENZIESII	PER STEM	\$1.40 TO \$1.80
BANKSIA - SPECIOSA	PER STEM	\$1.20 TO \$2.00
BILLY BUTTONS	20	\$3.00 TO \$4.00
BLUEBELLS		\$1.50 TO \$2.00
BLUSHING BRIDE	5	\$3.00 TO \$6.00
BORONIA - BROWN	10	\$5.00 TO \$5.50
BORONIA - PINK	10	\$5.00 TO \$6.00
BORONIA - BURGUNDY	10	\$4.50 TO \$6.00
CALENDULA	10	\$2.00
CALLA LILY	10	\$6.00 TO \$7.00
CAMPANULA (CANTERBURY BELLS)	10	\$3.00 TO \$6.00
CARNATION HEADS	BOX	\$10.00 TO \$15.00
CARNATION - MICRO	10	\$2.00 TO \$3.50
CARNATION - FIELD		\$1.50 TO \$3.00
CARNATION - SPRAY		\$3.50 TO \$4.00
CARNATION - CHINESINI	10-15	\$2.50 TO \$3.50
CARNATION - FIELD		\$1.50 TO \$2.50
CARNATION - SIM		\$3.00 TO \$4.00
CELOSIA - COCKSCOMB	5	\$4.00 TO \$7.00
CELOSIA - PLUME	5	\$5.00
CHINCERINCHEE	5	\$2.50 TO \$3.50
CHRYSANTHEMUM - DISBUD	5	\$6.50 TO \$8.50
CHRYSANTHEMUM - FIELD		\$2.50 TO \$4.50
CHRYSANTHEMUM - GLASSHOUSE	5-7	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
CLIVEA	5	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
CORNFLOWER	7	\$3.50 TO \$4.00
DAISY - SHASTA		\$2.00 TO \$3.00
DELPHINIUM - GIANT	5	\$6.00 TO \$9.00
DELPHINIUM - BUTTERFLY	5	\$4.00 TO \$5.50
EASTER DAISY		\$2.50 TO \$3.50
ERICA - YELLOW & PINK	10	\$4.50 TO \$6.00
ERICA - GREEN	5	\$5.00 TO \$5.50
ERIOSTEMON - WHITE	5-7	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
ERIOSTEMON - PINK	5-7	\$5.50
ERYNGIUM (SEA HOLLY)		\$7.50 TO \$8.50
EUPHORBIA	10	\$5.00 TO \$8.00
FLANNEL FLOWER	5	\$5.00 TO \$6.00
FREESIA	10	\$2.00 TO \$4.50
GELEZNOWIA (YELLOW BELLS)	10	\$4.50 TO \$5.00
GERANIUM	5	\$4.00
GERBERA	10	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
GERBERA - MINI	10	\$2.00 TO \$3.00
GLADIOLI	10	\$8.00 TO \$12.00
GOLDEN ROD (SOLIDAGO)	10	\$2.50 TO \$4.00
GYMEA LILIES	PER STEM	\$5.00 TO \$6.00
GYPSOPHILA - STANDARD		\$3.00 TO \$6.00
GYPSY		\$3.00 TO \$4.00
HELLEBORUS	5	\$4.50 TO \$5.50
HELICONIA	5	\$6.00
HELICONIA CLAW	PER STEM	\$4.00 TO \$7.50
HELICONIA SEXY	PER STEM	\$7.50 TO \$10.00
HIPPEASTRUM	5	\$6.50
HYACINTH		\$4.50 TO \$5.50
IRIS	10	\$4.50 TO \$6.50
IRIS - BEARDED	5	\$3.50
ISOPOGON	10	\$4.00 TO \$4.50
JONQUILS	10	\$1.30 TO \$1.50
KALE	PER STEM	\$4.50 TO \$5.00
KALMIA	5	\$5.00 TO \$8.00
KANGAROO PAW - STANDARD	10	\$6.00 TO \$7.00
KANGAROO PAW - BLACK		\$8.00 TO \$9.00
LAVENDER		\$3.00
LEUCADENDRON	5	\$2.00 TO \$5.00
LEUCADENDRON - DISCOLOUR	5	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
LEUCADENDRON - GALAPINI	5	\$4.50
LEUCADENDRON - SAFARI SUNSET	10	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
LEUCADENDRON - SILVAN RED	5	\$3.00 TO \$5.00
LEUCODENDRON - SILVER TREE		\$3.00
LEUCOSPERMUM - REFLEXUM	5	\$3.00 TO \$5.00

NAME	STEMS PER BUNCH	PRICE RANGE
LIATRIS	10	\$7.50 TO \$9.50
LILAC	10	\$6.00 TO \$7.50
LILY OF THE VALLEY	10	\$5.00
LILY - ASIATIC	5	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
LILY - LONGIFLORUM	5	\$5.00 TO \$10.00
LILY - ORIENTAL	5	\$6.00 TO \$13.00
LILY - LA	5	\$5.50 TO \$6.50
LIMONIUM - EMILE	10	\$3.50 TO \$4.50
LIMONIUM - MISTY	10	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
LIMONIUM - STATICE	10	\$2.00 TO \$3.50
LISIANTHUS	7-10	\$6.00 TO \$8.00
LOTUS PODS		\$3.00
ORCHID - CYMBIDIUM	PER STEM	\$13.00 TO \$17.00
ORCHID - SINGAPORE	5	\$4.00 TO \$8.00
ORCHID - TIGER	5	\$11.50
ORCHID - TIGER (DANCING LADIES)	10	\$25.00
PEONY ROSE	5	\$6.00 TO \$9.00
POKERS	5	\$4.50 TO \$6.00
POPPIES	10	\$2.50 TO \$3.00
PROTEA - KING	PER STEM	\$1.00 TO \$2.00
PROTEA - PINK ICE		\$3.00 TO \$4.00
QUEEN ANNE'S LACE		\$6.50
RANUNCULUS		\$3.50
RICEFLOWER	10	\$4.50 TO \$5.00
ROSE - 30CM	10	\$3.50 TO \$5.00
ROSE - 40CM	10	\$4.00 TO \$8.00
ROSE - 50CM	10	\$5.00 TO \$9.00
ROSE - 60CM	10	\$7.00 TO \$12.00
ROSE - 70CM+	10	\$10.00 TO \$13.00
ROSE - MINI	10	\$4.50 TO \$6.00
SEDUM	10	\$5.00 TO \$6.00
SNAPDRAGON	10	\$2.50 TO \$5.00
SOLIDASTER	10	\$3.00 TO \$3.50
STIRLINGIA (BUD)		\$5.00
STOCK		\$2.00 TO \$3.00
STRELITZIA - BIRD OF PARADISE	5	\$10.00 TO \$12.50
SUNFLOWER	5	\$4.00 TO \$9.00
SWEETPEA	10	\$5.00 TO \$6.00
SWEET WILLIAM		\$2.00 TO \$3.00
TULIPS	10	\$7.50 TO \$9.00
WALLFLOWERS		\$2.50 TO \$4.00
WATER LILIES	5	\$7.50
WATSONIA	10	\$3.00
WAX FLOWER - GERALDTON (OPEN)	10	\$2.50 TO \$3.50
FOLIAGE		
ANDROMEDA (FLOWERING)		\$4.50 TO \$6.00
BAMBOO	PER STEM	\$2.00 TO \$20.00
BOTTLEBRUSH (FLOWERING)	PER STEM	\$3.00 TO \$6.00
BROOME	4	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
CHRISTMAS BUSH	10	\$5.00 TO \$7.00
COPPER BEECH	10	\$8.00 TO \$10.00
CORDYLINE	10	\$4.50 TO \$5.00
DOGWOOD (FLOWERING)	5	\$8.00 TO \$15.00
FAN PALM	10	\$5.00
GARRYA	3	\$5.00 TO \$7.00
GERBERA FOLIAGE		\$3.00
GINGER FOLIAGE		\$5.00
GREVILLIA (FLOWERING - MOONLIGHT)		\$4.00 TO \$5.00
GUM		\$2.50
GYMEA LEAVES (LARGE)	5	\$5.00 TO \$6.50
HOSTA LEAVES		\$4.00 TO \$5.00
HYDRANGEA FOLIAGE	10	\$5.00 TO \$7.00
HYPERICUM BERRIES	10	\$5.50 TO \$8.50
JASMINE (FLOWERING)		\$3.00 TO \$3.50
JOEY FERN	10	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
KANGAROO TAILS	PER STEM	\$3.00
LAUREL		\$3.50 TO \$4.00
LEATHER FERN		\$4.00 TO \$5.00
LEPTOSPERNUM (FLOWERING)	10	\$5.00
MAGNOLIA FOLIAGE (FLOWERING/BUDDING)	5	\$6.50 TO \$7.50
MOLUCCA BALM (IRISH BELLS)	5	\$4.50 TO \$5.50
MONSTERIA LEAVES		\$6.50 TO \$9.00
OAK	5	\$4.50 TO \$5.50
PHILODENDRON - XANADU	5-6	\$3.00 TO \$3.50
POLYGALA (FLOWERING)	5	\$3.00 TO \$4.00
PRUNUS (FLOWERING)	5	\$6.00 TO \$7.50
RHODODENDRON FLOWERING	5	\$4.00 TO \$5.00
SILVER SUEDE		\$5.00 TO \$6.00
SNOTTY GRASS	5	\$3.00 TO \$5.00
SPEAR GRASS		\$2.00 TO \$3.00
THRYPTOMENE		\$2.50
VIBURNUM FOLIAGE		\$3.00 TO \$4.00

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