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# Angel's Blush Hydrangea *Hydrangea paniculata 'Ruby'*

Height: 10 feet Spread: 8 feet

Sunlight: O D

Hardiness Zone: 4a

## **Description:**

A medium upright shrub covered in large panicles of showy white flowers that start white and fade to pink; an elegant mix of up-facing sterile and fertile florets; its relatively coarse appearance makes it stand out; best used as an accent in the garden

### **Ornamental Features**

Angel's Blush Hydrangea features bold conical white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid summer to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Angel's Blush Hydrangea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.



Angel's Blush Hydrangea flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Angel's Blush Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use



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# **Planting & Growing**

Angel's Blush Hydrangea will grow to be about 10 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 2 feet from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub performs well in both full sun and full shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in winter to protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.