

## **Delaware Valley White Evergreen Azalea** (*Rhododendron mucronulatum* ‘Delaware Valley White’)

Bright white, sweetly fragrant flowers attract hummingbirds and butterflies in spring, accompanied by light green foliage. In fall, leaves are touched with bronze. This azalea grows to a good size for hedge planting—reaching 5-7 feet tall and 5-7 feet wide. Best grown in acidic soil and provides color interest all year round.



**Plant Care:** Select a location protected from strong winds. Partial shade is best. Set the plant at the same level it is growing at in the container. Apply mulch to conserve soil moisture. Protect from strong winter wind and intense sun. Remove spent flowers as soon as possible to prevent wasted energy on seed production. After flowering, prune after blooming to shape. Do not prune during winter as next year's flowers will be removed.

**Watering:** Water thoroughly when dry. Applying adequate water until the ground freezes is necessary to sustain the plant during winter.

### **References:**

“Selecting and Growing Azaleas” (Bulletin 670) [extension.uga.org](http://extension.uga.org)