

Nikko Blue Hydrangea (*Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Nikko Blue')

Nikko Blue hydrangea is a deciduous shrub that grows up to 4-6 feet tall and wide in just 2 to 3 years. The shrub produces 4-inch beautiful pom pom-shaped blooms all summer. Although the name says “blue”, the flowers can turn pinkish in more alkaline soils.



Plant Care: This hydrangea prefers a place in the garden that has morning sun and late afternoon shade in moist, well-drained soil. The plant doesn't require regular pruning, but it can be shaped after the flowers have faded by cutting back to a pair of healthy buds. Remove any weak or winter-damaged branches in late winter/early spring.

Watering: Give the plant at least 1" of water a week, or more during hot, dry periods; too much overhead water can create leaf spot, where brown spots occur on the leaves.

References:

<https://plantaddicts.com/nikko-blue-hydrangea>

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org>

