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### **Jetstream Hydrangea**

*Hydrangea quercifolia 'PIIHQ-I'*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ● ●

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: Oakleaf Hydrangea, Jet Stream Hydrangea

#### **Description:**

An excellent compact garden or massing shrub featuring spikes of flowers which mature from pure white to soft pink, interesting foliage with spectacular fall color and papery bark; best used in groupings

#### **Ornamental Features**

Jetstream Hydrangea features bold fragrant conical white flowers with pink overtones at the ends of the branches from late spring to mid summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The large lobed leaves turn an outstanding brick red in the fall. The peeling brick red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Jetstream Hydrangea is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its strikingly bold and coarse texture can be very effective in a balanced landscape composition.

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.

Jetstream Hydrangea is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

#### **Planting & Growing**

Jetstream Hydrangea will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a slow rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.



*Jetstream Hydrangea flowers*  
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This shrub does best in partial shade to full shade. Keep it well away from hot, dry locations that receive direct afternoon sun or which get reflected sunlight, such as against the south side of a white wall. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution, and will benefit from being planted in a relatively sheltered location. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone in both summer and winter to conserve soil moisture and protect it in exposed locations or colder microclimates. This is a selection of a native North American species.

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