

FIRST EDITIONS®

Eclipse® Bigleaf Hydrangea

First Editions Eclipse Bigleaf Hydrangea offers season-long beauty with intense, dark purple leaves that hold their color, even in warm climates. The striking foliage contrasted by cranberry or dark purple blooms pair perfectly with anything in the garden. Eclipse showcases vivid raspberry red or neon purple blooms summer through fall. It grows to a mature size of 3-5 feet in both height and width, making it an excellent choice for adding depth and contrast to your garden, whether used as a focal point in the garden or in decorative containers.

Mature size 3-5' High x 3-5' Wide

Thrives in Shade to part shade

Deciduous- foliage loss in winter and new growth in spring

USDA Zones 5-9

Botanical name- *Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Bailmacseven'

Planting & Care

1. **Planting:** This hydrangea can handle partial sun in cooler climates, but in warmer climates, plant in part shade. Morning sun or dappled afternoon shade is ideal.
2. **Watering:** The Eclipse® Bigleaf Hydrangea prefers moist soil but not overly wet. If you notice the soil is dry around the base, give it a deep water. Overwatering may reduce flowering and keep the plant vegetative.
3. **Pruning:** Do not prune in the fall. Wait until the next spring to cut back any dead branches or bloom that don't survive the winter.
4. **Fertilizing:** Apply a slow-release bloom-boosting fertilizer in spring and again in early July. Be careful not to over-fertilize.