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Limelight Hydrangea (tree form)

Hydrangea paniculata "Limelight (tree form)"

Hydrangea paniculata "Limelight" (tree form) in bloom
Photo courtesy of Northscaping.com

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 7 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐ ●

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

This selection is grafted onto a standard to raise the flowers to eye level, features enormous, dense upright panicles of flower heads that start out a soft lime green, fading over the summer to white and finally brown in fall

Ornamental Features:

Limelight Hydrangea (tree form) features bold conical lime green flowers with chartreuse overtones at the ends of the branches from mid summer to late fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green foliage throughout the season. The pointy leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

Landscape Attributes:

Limelight Hydrangea (tree form) is a deciduous dwarf tree, selected and trained to grow in a small tree-like form with the primary plant grafted high atop a standard. Its relatively coarse texture can be used to stand it apart from other landscape plants with finer foliage.

This is a high maintenance dwarf tree that will require regular care and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Limelight Hydrangea (tree form) is ideal for use as a garden accent or patio feature, and is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- General Garden Use
- Accent
- Container Planting

Plant Characteristics:

Limelight Hydrangea (tree form) will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 feet. It tends to be leggy, with a typical clearance of 3 feet from the ground, and should be underplanted with lower-growing perennials. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

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This dwarf tree 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 zones.

This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.