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Please refer to the information below to identify each tree or shrub species in your bundle and to ensure proper planting sites and conditions for each.

IDENTIFICATION CHART 10 Norway Spruces + 2 Pee Gee Hydrangeas (Tree Package 8847)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Paint Color</u>
10 Norway Spruces (<i>Picea abies</i>)	No Paint
2 Pee Gee Hydrangea (<i>Hydrangea paniculata</i> 'Grandiflora')	Red Bag

More information about your tree and shrub package inside ...



NORWAY SPRUCE *Picea abies*



Number of Trees: 10

The **Norway Spruce** is a familiar sight throughout the United States. Growing in a pyramidal form, the young branches grow upward, and as the tree matures, lower branches droop and all branches assume a slight upward sweep. Secondary branches give it a graceful appearance. The stiff, dark green needles are retained on the tree for several years before dropping. Cones 4"-6" long are formed around age 30. The seeds and tender foliage are eaten by birds and mammals, while lower branches offer protective cover for larger animals.

Recommended windbreak spacing is 6'-13' between trees and 16'-25' between rows. For a hedge, shear the new shoots while the year's growth is still soft.

Mature Height	40'–60'
Mature Canopy Spread	25'–30'
Growth Rate	Medium (13"–24" per year) to Fast (25" or greater per year)
Sun Preference	Full Sun
Soil Preference	Acidic, Clay, Drought-tolerant, Loamy, Moist, Sandy, Well-drained

PEE GEE HYDRANGEA *Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora'



Number of Shrubs: 2

The **Pee Gee Hydrangea** is a cold-hardy flowering shrub that produces large panicles of persisting, summer-blooming, white flowers. It is very versatile — it can grow naturally into shrub form or can be trained into a single small flowering tree.

To train as a single-stemmed tree: Select the straightest and strongest stem to use as the trunk. Stake the stem. Prune out additional stems, leaving three to four branches on the upper fourth of the plant. Every spring, remove branches from the bottom three-fourths of the plant and prune top to desired shape. In addition to training the plant, prune it in early spring to remove non-productive growth and ground suckers. For larger flowers in shrub form, prune to 10 primary shoots.

Mature Height	10'–20'
Mature Canopy Spread	10'–20'
Growth Rate	Fast (25" or more per year)
Sun Preference	Full Sun, Partial Shade
Soil Preference	Acidic, Clay, Loamy, Moist, Rich, Sandy, Well-drained