

Leaf Identification



Pee Gee Hydrangea
(*Hydrangea paniculata* 'Grandiflora')

Pee Gee hydrangea is a cold-hardy flowering shrub that produces large panicles of persisting, summer-blooming white flowers. It is very versatile, as it can grow naturally into shrub form or can be trained into a single small flowering tree. It grows 10'-20' high with an equal spread. Plant in partial shade in moist, fertile, and well-drained soil. This hydrangea grows at a fast rate.

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 the plant in early spring to remove non-productive growth and ground suckers. For larger flowers in shrub form, prune to 10 primary shoots.