

# HYDRANGEA NIKKO BLUE

ECS23-01, ECS23-02, ECS23-04

Product Manual - Version 02-23-01



**PLANT  
SIZE:**

**1 year**

**HARDINESS  
ZONE:**

**5-9**

**PLANTING  
TIME:**


**SPRING**

**BLOOM  
TIME:**


**SUMMER**




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# CUSTOMER SERVICE INFORMATION

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**YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS**

**PRODUCT NAME**

**PRODUCT MODEL#**

**RETAILER WHERE PURCHASED**

**DATE OF PURCHASE**

**ORDER NUMBER (IF AVAILABLE)**

## LIMITED GROWTH & FLOWERING GUARANTEE

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Garden State Bulb Co. (GSB) products have been grown with the utmost care and are of excellent quality. In order to obtain the desired end result, it is important that the instructions on our site and/or the accompanying (plant) instructions are followed. Given that we work with a natural product; we offer a 1 Year Limited Growth and Flowering Guarantee.

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# PLANTING & CARE INSTRUCTIONS



**PLANTING TIME** Spring

**BLOOM TIME** Summer

**LIGHT** Partial Sun, Partial Shade

**SPACING** 5'-6' apart

**DEPTH** Plant crown 1" deep

**MATURE HEIGHT** 5' to 6' tall

**BENEFITS** Deer & Disease Resistant

## Soil Preparation

**Great gardens start with great soil!**  
Soil preparation is essential for successful gardening.

Healthy soil should have good tilth, nutrient content, and a viable population of beneficial microorganisms. We recommend using natural and organic ingredients to prepare the soil and maintain soil fertility. It is always a good idea to have a soil test to identify your soil type (sandy, loam, silt, clay) and find out your soil pH.

**NOTE:** It is important to store correctly until planting. Store in a cool, dry place with plenty of air circulation. Plant in spring as soon as ground has thawed and soil has warmed to 50°F and is workable. Usually 4-6 weeks after the last frost.

## Hydrangea Planting Instructions

- 1 Plant hydrangeas in the spring after the ground has thawed and there is no longer danger of frost.
- 2 Choose a location with well-drained soil that receives partial sun to partial shade. Loosen soil prior to planting.
- 3 Remove plant from packaging and lightly loosen the bottom of the root ball to release the roots. Dig a hole in loosened soil as deep as the roots and about twice as wide. Be sure the hole is large enough to encompass the roots without bending them.
- 4 Place plant in hole with the roots down and the crown/top of the roots about 1" below soil surface. Space plants 5-6' apart.
- 5 Cover with soil and water well so that the soil settles. Keep soil moist during periods of dry weather but do not overwater.

\* Soil pH affects flower color. Acidic soil (pH lower than 6.0) promotes blue or lavender-blue flowers. Alkaline soil (pH above than 7.0) yields purple to bluish-pink flowers.



## About Hydrangeas

Garden State Bulb Nikko Blue Hydrangea Bare Roots come directly from our farms and growers in the US. When planted, hydrangeas are a fast-growing shrub with large, round blooms that deliver vivid shades of blue. Even better, they provide these eye catching blooms for extended periods of time! This means they bloom gorgeous blue for months, and grow up to 6 feet tall, making them a perfect focal point or privacy barrier for any entryway or garden. Hydrangeas are also ideal as cut flowers for bouquets and vases, and grow best in partial sun to partial shade with well drained soil. Please note, it can take 1 to 3 years to reach full maturity size.

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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**Q. Can you grow hydrangeas in pots?**

**A.** Yes, hydrangeas can grow very well in containers. We recommend getting a medium to large sized planter with drainage holes. Proper drainage is very important for healthy plants.

**Q. Where is the best place to plant hydrangeas?**

**A.** The best place to plant hydrangeas is in a location with sunny mornings and shady afternoons.

**Q. Do I need to prune my hydrangeas?**

**A.** Yes. These hydrangeas bloom on old wood, which means they need to be pruned in the summer after the plants finish blooming. Using a sharp gardening tool, cut stems back to just above where you see a set of fat buds. Be sure to leave this last set of buds on the stem. Also, remove any weak shoots, both old ones and new ones, cutting them at the base.

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