

# Hydrangea paniculata ‘October Bride’ Acc: 711

**Synonyms:** No synonyms found.

**Awards:** No awards found.

**Patents:** No patents found.

**Description:**

**Height x Width:** 2.5 x 1.5 m

**Habit:** Upright habit and very late flowering especially when pruned.

**Stems & leaves:** Strong brown very upright stems that are densely covered with very large mid-green glossy leaves that are neatly arranged on the stems and with a tendency to hang down all at the same angle looking quite attractive, like green tiles on a roof.

**Panicles:** The large panicles 250 x 200 mm are held erect at the ends of the stems. They have small clusters of creamy white fertile flowers overlain with 30% cover of medium sized white sterile flowers that become slightly pink on the reverse of the sepals at the very end of the season.

**Overall assessment:** The panicles are not particularly impressive but it does flower when all the other cultivars have finished. There appears to be at least two different forms in cultivation, one more compact and with more attractive paler green and larger leaves and the other more vigorous with smaller and darker green leaves.

**Origins:** Bred by Robert & Jelena De Belder, in 1967 at the Kalmthout Arboretum, in Belgium from a seedling of ‘Tardiva’.

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Verified yes

**FORM**

Height up to 3m

Shape upright

**STEMS**

Colour 139d pale green

Diameter 6-7

**LEAVES**

Size 120-160 x 65-95

Q Value 1.7 - 2

Edge serrate coarse

Col T 137c mid green

Col B 138c pale green

Tex T smooth

Tex B sub veins only

Veins slightly hairy T&B

**PANICLES**

Size 250 x 120

Q Value 2

Internode

Shape pointed

Ratio F:S 20:1

% cover 20%

**PETIOLE**

Length 15-25

**PEDUNCLE**

Length 20-30

**STERILE FL**

Diameter 30-40

Bud col 155a white

**SEPALS**

Number 4

Size

Q Value 1 - 1.2

Overlap +2 to +4

T col Aug 155a white

B col Aug 155a white

T col Sep 155a white

B col Sep 155a white

Misshape occasional

Spots T no

Spots B no

**FERTILE FL**

Bud col 155a white

Diameter 9

**STAMENS**

Length 5

Any pink no

**CARPELS**

Number 3

Scent faint

Fruit



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