

# MEXICAN HYDRANGEA

Family: [Verbenaceae](#) Genus: [Clerodendrum](#) (kler-oh-DEN-drum)

Species: [bungei](#) (BUN-jee-eye)

Other Common Names: [Rose Glory Bower](#), [Cashmere Bouquet](#), [Mexicali Rose](#)



Drought resistant / grows in sun or shade.

Large pink ball of blooms all summer. Grow to 6' high!

BUTTERFLIES LOVE IT!

Multiplies with underground runners.

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## Planting Instructions:

Most (or all) of the leaves have been removed from your plants to assure survival of the root and stem. These leaves will grow back once the root system is re-established.

Although your Mexican Hydrangeas can be grown in full sun, partial shade or full shade, it is suggested that when they first arrive you get them re-established in full (or mostly) shade to allow them to recover from the transplanting and the shipping. If your final garden spot is in full sun, or if you can't keep them well watered there, then plant in pots and allow them to re-establish their roots and then transplant from the pots to their final destination. In garden, plant in well-draining soil about 12" – 15" apart. These spread via underground runners – allow room around them so babies will not crowd other plants. Plant deep enough to cover roots, but don't plant deeper than the original soil line (which you can generally tell by the color of the stem – darker above, lighter below soil line). Water in well and keep well-watered (daily watering) until you see signs that they have recovered from the transplant/shipping (not wilted, leaves and top growth stand up all day, new leaves forming on trunk); about 10 – 14 days.

After the initial period, Mexican Hydrangeas are a care-free perennial, very tolerant of dry conditions, especially if planted in the shade or part shade. Periodic fertilizer applications (10-10-10 or whatever fertilizer you use in your garden) will help them thrive, but it is not necessary. They will die back with a frost in the winter, but will re-bud in the spring. They are hardy to USDA Zone 7, to 0° F.

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