

Hydrangea hybrid 'Runaway Bride'

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Ushio Sakazaki came upon a remote Asian species of *Hydrangea* in the wild, and crossed this with the well-known *Hydrangea macrophylla*.



This interspecific hybrid is unique in that it flowers not only from terminal buds, but also from virtually all lateral buds, creating a profusion of lacecap flowers in late spring/early /early summer. In addition, this revolutionary hybrid is also reliably remontant, bringing forth flowers well into autumn. Runaway Bride has a graceful weeping/trailing habit.

It is a finalist for the RHS Chelsea Plant of the Year competition 2018.