



How to Plant and Care for Hydrangeas (Step-by-Step Guide)

1. 📍 **Choose the Ideal Location:** Select a spot with morning sun and afternoon shade, protected from wind and extreme temperatures.
2. 🌱 **Prepare the Soil:** Ensure well-draining soil rich in organic matter. Test and adjust pH to influence bloom colour (acidic = blue, alkaline = pink).
3. 📅 **Plant at the Right Time:** Early spring or autumn is best, when temperatures are moderate and rainfall helps root establishment.
4. 💧 **Hydrate the Plant:** Before planting, submerge the root ball in water for 1–2 minutes until fully saturated.
5. 🪓 **Dig the Hole:** Make it twice as wide as the root ball and just as deep. Backfill with amended soil and firm gently.
6. 🌿 **Water Deeply:** After planting, water generously and apply mulch to retain moisture and regulate soil temperature.
7. 🌿 **Maintain Proper Care:** Water regularly, fertilise in spring and summer with a balanced mix, and prune based on species-specific needs.
8. 🛡️ **Prevent Issues:** Monitor for pests and diseases. Ensure airflow, avoid overwatering, and apply organic treatments if needed.