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Carefree Delight Rose

Rosa 'Carefree Delight'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

Description:

A recent shrub rose introduction, covered in large single pink flowers in early summer, repeat-blooming; bushy, upright habit, quite adaptable and resistant to disease, a valuable garden shrub; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Carefree Delight Rose is bathed in stunning lightly-scented pink flowers with yellow eyes and white centers at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer, which emerge from distinctive crimson flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruits are showy red hips displayed from mid to late fall. The spiny brick red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Carefree Delight Rose is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.



Carefree Delight Rose flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spiny

Carefree Delight Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Carefree Delight Rose in bloom
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Planting & Growing

Carefree Delight Rose will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 20 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.