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Milwaukee's Calatrava Rose

Rosa 'Radfragwhite'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Pearlescent Rose

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

Description:

Admire this rose with eyes and nose alike; beautiful pure white double blooms that may exhibit a flush of light pink in cooler weather, and an intoxicating fragrance; good disease resistance; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Milwaukee's Calatrava Rose features showy fragrant white flowers at the ends of the branches from mid spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Milwaukee's Calatrava 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.

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;

- Disease
- Spiny

Milwaukee's Calatrava Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



Milwaukee's Calatrava Rose flowers
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Planting & Growing

Milwaukee's Calatrava Rose will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 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 medium 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. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.