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Queen Elizabeth Rose

Rosa 'Queen Elizabeth'



Queen Elizabeth Rose flowers
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Height: 6 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Group/Class: Hybrid Tea Rose

Description:

Probably the most popular rose in the world, with clear pink flowers produced from spring through fall on a plant that borders on indestructible; if you try only one tea, make it this one; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Queen Elizabeth Rose is smothered in stunning lightly-scented fully double pink flowers at the ends of the branches from early summer to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Queen Elizabeth 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 is a high maintenance shrub that will require regular care 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

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Queen Elizabeth Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Queen Elizabeth Rose will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 4 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.



Queen Elizabeth Rose in bloom
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