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### Sunblaze® Red Rose

*Rosa 'Meirutral'*

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Group/Class: Sunblaze Series

#### Description:

A dense growing miniature variety with dazzling red double blooms; a dramatic color display that is excellent for smaller garden areas, groundcover and containers

#### Ornamental Features

Sunblaze Red Rose is blanketed in stunning lightly-scented red flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The small glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

#### Landscape Attributes

Sunblaze Red 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. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Sunblaze Red Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Sunblaze Red Rose flowers*  
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*Sunblaze Red Rose in bloom*  
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

### Planting & Growing

Sunblaze Red Rose will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Sunblaze Red Rose makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.