Excelsa Rose

Rosa 'Excelsa'



Excelsa Rose flowers
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Height: 12 feet

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5

Group/Class: Rambler Rose

Description:

This vigorous rose is a large shrub rose producing showy clusters of rosette shaped fully double crimson flowers; excellent for arbors, along walls or fences, or as a large free flowing specimen

Ornamental Features

Excelsa Rose features showy fragrant fully double crimson flowers along the branches in early summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Excelsa Rose is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a ground-hugging 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.

Excelsa Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Excelsa Rose will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, 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 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. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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.