# Multiflora Rose

***Rosa multiflora***



*Multiflora Rose flowers*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 15 feet

Spread: 15 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4

Other Names: Japanese Rose, Rambling Rose, Baby Rose

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

**Description:**

A large growing variety commonly used as hedging or screening, covered in clusters of white single flowers with the occasional brush of shell pink; covered in red hips in late fall and winter; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil



*Multiflora Rose in bloom*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

**Ornamental Features**

Multiflora Rose is blanketed in stunning clusters of white flowers with shell pink overtones and gold eyes at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruits are showy red hips displayed from early to late fall. The spiny brick red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

**Landscape Attributes**

Multiflora Rose is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a more or less rounded form. 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;

- Invasive
- Disease
- Spiny

Multiflora Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

**Planting & Growing**

Multiflora Rose will grow to be about 15 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 15 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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This species is not originally from North America.