Stretch Johnson Rose

Rosa 'Macfirwal'



Stretch Johnson Rose flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: syn. Rock 'n' Roll Rose, Tango Rose

Group/Class: Floribunda Rose

Description:

A compact, bushy variety producing semi to double blooms of bright red with gold centers and soft pink streaks; dark green foliage provides contrast to make this shrub truly stand out; great for containers and low shrub borders; mild fragrance

Ornamental Features

Stretch Johnson Rose features showy lightly-scented double red flowers with creamy white overtones, gold eyes and pink streaks 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 glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Stretch Johnson 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.

Stretch Johnson Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Stretch Johnson Rose will grow to be about 3 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. 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.