Cardinal de Richelieu Rose

Rosa gallica 'Cardinal de Richelieu'



Cardinal de Richelieu Rose flowers
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A real knock-out as roses go, this old-fashioned shrub rose features fully double purple roses with frilly petals in early summer, slightly fragrant and very unique; needs full sun and well-drained soil, a collectors rose

Ornamental Features

Cardinal de Richelieu Rose features showy lightly-scented double purple flowers with white overtones at the ends of the branches from mid to late spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has bluish-green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Cardinal de Richelieu 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. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Disease
- Spiny

Cardinal de Richelieu Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Cardinal de Richelieu Rose will grow to be about 5 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 medium 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 is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.