Happenstance Rose

Rosa 'Happenstance'



Happenstance Rose flowers
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Height: 8 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 5

Other Names: Baby Mermaid Rose

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

Description:

A large-growing hardy shrub rose, which produces an abundance of canary yellow flowers in early summer, maturing to creamy white; tall, bushy and upright habit, capable of being trained on trellises, or pruned for a tidy appearance

Ornamental Features

Happenstance Rose is blanketed in stunning buttery yellow flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the branches in late spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color. The spiny brick red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

Landscape Attributes

Happenstance 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 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;

- Disease
- Spiny

Happenstance Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Happenstance Rose will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 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. To help this plant achive 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.