Maxima White Rose

Rosa alba 'Maxima'



Maxima White Rose flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Description:

A truly antique rose from the 16th century featuring sweetly fragrant semi-double white blossoms with creamy centers that bloom in spring on a large upright shrub, works well as a flowering hedge; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

Ornamental Features

Maxima White Rose features showy fragrant semi-double white flowers with creamy white eyes at the ends of the branches from late spring to early summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. The fruits are showy orange hips carried in abundance from early to late fall. It has bluish-green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Maxima White Rose is a dense 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;

- Suckering
- Disease
- Spiny

Maxima White Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Maxima White Rose will grow to be about 6 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 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.