Karen Blixen Rose

Rosa 'Karen Blixen'



Karen Blixen Rose flowers
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 7

Group/Class: Hybrid Tea Rose

Description:

A spectacular, hardy tea rose producing high centered, double blooms that are lightly fragrant; pure white elegant flowers create a classic scene in the garden; a perfect accent shrub, along borders or in containers; requires spring freeze protection

Ornamental Features

Karen Blixen Rose features showy lightly-scented double white flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage which emerges plum purple in spring. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

Karen Blixen 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. Gardeners should be aware of the following characteristic(s) that may warrant special consideration;

- Spiny

Karen Blixen Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Karen Blixen 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 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 highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.