Wise Portia Rose

Rosa 'Wise Portia'



Wise Portia Rose flowers
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Height: 4 feet

Spread: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4

Group/Class: Austin Rose

Description:

A lovely elegant variety with fuschia coloring that is layered on to a rich lavender; with the fullness of the blooms the effect is tremendous, with a mass of flowers held on a bushy shrub, blooming at regular intervals all season

Ornamental Features

Wise Portia Rose features showy fragrant double fuchsia flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The glossy oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

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

- Spiny

Wise Portia Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

Planting & Growing

Wise Portia Rose will grow to be about 4 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. 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.