Firefighter Rose

Rosa 'ORAdal'

Firefighter Rose flowers
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Height: 6 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Other Names: syn. Hacienda Rose, Red 'n' Fragrant Rose

Group/Class: Hybrid Tea Rose

Description:

Named to honor the firefighters lost on 911; a prolific bloomer producing highly fragrant, rich red blooms; it has great disease resistance and holds up well in mid-summer heat

Ornamental Features

Firefighter Rose features showy fragrant red flowers at the ends of the branches from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has green deciduous foliage which emerges red in spring. The glossy oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall.

Landscape Attributes

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

- Spiny

Firefighter Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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

Planting & Growing

Firefighter 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 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 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.