

Memorial Rose

This form of wild rose, first collected in its native Japan, has several cultivars which are commonly grown as rambling roses, suitable for planting as climbers in the protected garden in Arriyadh. With a rapid growth rate, this dense and vigorous, vine-like shrub forms green highly pliable stems up to 6 metres long. It has glossy, leathery leaves 5 to 10 cm long with seven leaflets, and rich, long-lasting, inflorescences composed of fragrant, apple-scented panicles of small, white flowers with five petals and prominent yellow stamens. These are followed by dark-red, rose-hip fruits. This rose will grow in most fertile, well-drained garden soils in full sun, and is very frost hardy. Slightly drought-tolerant, the rose benefits from deep watering every three to four weeks in summer. Fertilising should be done at the beginning of the growing season, with mature manure around the base of the rose canes every two to three years. They require pre-emptive treatment with insecticide and systemic fungicide to prevent attack by aphids and the development of fungal diseases. Rambling roses require more than a trellis for support. They are excellent on the side of a building, fence or shade structure, but require securing on stakes and strong fastening to structures. They will also grow into the branches of a tree when planted close together, which means that a non-blooming tree appears to bear flowers. This a plant with high maintenance requirements, best suited to a plant enthusiast's private garden.



GENERAL

Origin	: sub-Mediterranean, Mediterranean
Vigour	: fairly fast growing
Humidity	: semi-arid, semi-humid, very humid
Propagation	: cuttings, grafting
Maintenance	: high

CONDITIONS

Dessication	: vulnerable
Stagnant water	: vulnerable
Irrigation	: medium
Salinity/ppm	: low (1000 ppm)
Hardiness	: -12°C

SHAPE

Type	: shrub
Height	: 3 m-6 m
Spread	: 2 m-8 m
Foliage	: semi-evergreen

FLOWER

Colour	: white
Size	: 5 cm
Period	: June - August
Smell	: scented, flower

FRUIT

Type of fruit	: berry
Fruit size	: 1.5 cm