

**Carefree Spirit Rose***Rosa 'Carefree Spirit'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

**Description:**

A true red hardy shrub rose; an excellent landscape plant with superior disease resistance, a better plant habit, and a great non-fading red color; steady blooming all season adds color and interest to the garden and borders

**Ornamental Features**

Carefree Spirit Rose is bathed in stunning red flowers with gold eyes and white centers at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green foliage throughout the season. The glossy oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

**Landscape Attributes**

Carefree Spirit 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

Carefree Spirit Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Carefree Spirit Rose flowers*  
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- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

**Planting & Growing**

Carefree Spirit Rose will grow to be about 5 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.