



## Marilyn Monroe Rose

*Rosa 'Marilyn Monroe'*

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 5 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 5b

Group/Class: Hybrid Tea Rose

### Description:

A graceful variety that produces gorgeous peach double blooms; a vibrant color that lights up the garden; needs full sun and well-drained soil; foliage is dark green with good disease resistance; mild fragrance

### Ornamental Features

Marilyn Monroe Rose features showy lightly-scented peach flowers at the ends of the branches from early summer to early fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green foliage throughout the season. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color. The fruit is not ornamentally significant.

### Landscape Attributes

Marilyn Monroe 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;

- Disease
- Spiny

Marilyn Monroe Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;



*Marilyn Monroe Rose flowers*  
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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Marilyn Monroe 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Marilyn Monroe Rose makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.