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# Henry Hudson Rose Rosa 'Henry Hudson'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 3 feet Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 2

Group/Class: Explorer Rose

## **Description:**

This exceptional shrub is covered in fragrant double white flowers in early summer, repeat-blooming; low growing and wide spreading, hardy and resistant to disease, makes a superb flowering groundcover; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

#### **Ornamental Features**

Henry Hudson Rose is smothered in stunning lightly-scented white flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer, which emerge from distinctive pink flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves turn an outstanding red in the fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Henry Hudson 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.



Henry Hudson Rose flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Henry Hudson Rose in bloom Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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

Henry Hudson Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting

### **Planting & Growing**

Henry Hudson Rose will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 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 is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Henry Hudson 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. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. 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. Be aware that in our climate, most plants cannot be expected to survive the winter if left in containers outdoors, and this plant is no exception. Contact our experts for more information on how to protect it over the winter months.