



Loves Me Loves Me Not™ Rose Rosa 'MElcatess'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: 6a

Group/Class: Hybrid Tea Rose

## **Description:**

This gorgeous, deep pink rose has a strong lilac and pineapple fragrance; each bloom is fully double with a very high petal count, and is carried on a sturdy stem; an excellent cut flower

## **Ornamental Features**

Loves Me Loves Me Not Rose features showy fragrant fully double hot pink flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage which emerges burgundy in spring. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

## Landscape Attributes

Loves Me Loves Me Not 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. It is a good choice for attracting bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Loves Me Loves Me Not Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



Loves Me Loves Me Not Rose flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



## **Planting & Growing**

Loves Me Loves Me Not Rose will grow to be about 5 feet 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, 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 30 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. To help this plant achive its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. 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.