

# Rose

Rosa spp.

## QUICK FACTS

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USDA ZONES

**3–11**

SUNLIGHT

**Full Sun**

BLOOM

**Summer**

HEIGHT

**2–8 ft**

DEER

**Vulnerable**

POLLINATORS

**Yes**

## AT A GLANCE

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If you want roses without a weekly spray program, choose a disease-resistant modern shrub rose -- Knock Out, Drift, or an Explorer-series cultivar. If you want cut flowers with long stems and classic fragrance, hybrid teas are worth the extra work, but be realistic about fungal pressure in your climate. Most rose failures trace to wrong cultivar choice for the site, not bad technique.

## PLANTING CHECKLIST

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- Match site to sun requirements above before buying
- Test soil drainage — dig a 12" hole, fill with water, time it (should drain in 1–2 hrs)
- Dig hole 2x wider than rootball, same depth
- Backfill with native soil — do NOT amend the planting hole
- Water deeply at planting and weekly for first 3 weeks
- Mulch 2" deep, keep mulch 2" away from trunk/stems

## FULL GUIDE WITH SOURCES

<https://outdoorplantcare.com/plants/rose-care/>