

Some Climbing Roses to enhance your Garden.

Climbing&rambling roses are an ideal way to cover arches, pergolas.

The list below is a good selection to start with:-

Albertine is one of the most popular of Ramblers available from most garden centres.

It is a reliable rose that flowers freely.

Opening as salmon-red buds, they open into large coppery-pink flowers with a rich fragrance.

The growth tends to be bushy and branching.

It is an excellent choice to cover a fence.

It will grow to 25 foot as a climber.

Albertine was introduced in 1921.

Casino

Clusters of large globular, soft-yellow flowers, with dark, glossy green foliage.

Height 10 feet.

Bred by McGredy in 1963.

Compassion

Well-shaped Hybrid Tea flowers with a sweet fragrance.

Their colour being salmon-pink tinted with orange.

Stiff and bushy growth, there is plentiful dark, green foliage.

One of the best and most popular in this group.

Height 10 feet.

It may also be grown as a shrub.

Introduced in 1973.

High Hopes

This rose has won high praise from the experts.

The offspring of Compassion produces abundant clusters of medium-sized flowers with a classic H.T.shape and a pleasing perfume.

It is tolerant of less than ideal conditions.

The glossy foliage is both healthy and attractive.

The late season display is impressive. Growth is upright rather than spreading-a good choice for covering an arch or pergola.

Introduced in 1992.

Repeat flowering.

Double pale pink, fragrant flowers.

Schoolgirl.

Coppery-orange shade,shapely buds ,fragrant.

10 foot in height.

Penny Lane

Soft honey colour changing to blush pink.

Repeat flowering.

11ft 8 inches in heightx7ft.9 wide

New Dawn

Pearly –blush coloured flowers held in large clusters and with a sweet fragrance .

The growth is vigorous with plentiful foliage.

Golden Showers

A short growing Climber of many virtues.

Large, open golden-yellow flowers fading to light yellow.
Blooms are produced very freely and continuously throughout the summer.
The plant grows well and does well on a north facing wall.

Cultural Care.

Roses will thrive best where they haven't been growing before.

Feed with blood, fish & bone meal at planting time..

Keep sprayed against blackspot with Roseclear .

Use Rogor to control greenfly.

Regular and frequent spraying is important to keep your roses in the best of health.

Continue to spray at 7-14 day intervals.

Further reading-The Rose Expert by Dr.D.G.Hessayon is the world's best selling book on roses.

It contains a wealth of information-type of rose, the history of the rose, variety descriptions with details of colour,height,disease resistance,planting,growing in containers,covering walls,covering screens,covering trees.

Rose planting, soil preparation.

Mulching, training and pruning are all covered.

Pest, disease and cultural problems are all covered.

It even has a feature on some of the Great Rose Gardens of the world .

Exhibiting roses and preparation for the show bench .

There is even recipes for Rose Hip Jam, Rose Honey, Rose Vinegar&Rose wine.

The book concludes with a valuable monthly calendar of jobs requiring attention at the various times of year.

Jobs in the Garden

Make a sowing of spring cabbage from 25th July to 15th.August.

Choose varieties such as Flower of Spring, April, Wheelers Imperial&Durham Early.

Keep a careful eye as they emerge for pests.

The new Garlic Wonder will help to deter pests.

Keep potatoes&tomatoes sprayed on a regular basis against blight.

Use Bordeaux Mixture or Dithane 945.

Watch and treat for caterpillars on all members of the cabbage family.

Spring flowering bulbs start to appear in the garden centre&shops from August onwards.

The first bulbs to plant will be the autumn flowering Crocus, Colchicum &Sternbergia.

Roses need to be sprayed on a regular basis against blackspot.

You can use Roseclear which is available in a Ready to Use formula or in a concentrated version.

All spraying should be done early in the morning prior to 8.00am or in the evening.

Choose a calm dry day for spraying.

It is a good time of the year to install a new Polytunnel.

Installation at this time of year allows polythene to be more flexible and greater tension can be achieved with the polythene which will extend the lifetime of the polythene.

New Irish Organic Weedkiller arrives on Market

The new Irish Organic Weedkiller is now on the market.

It is just as effective as chemical herbicides without the dangerous after effects and damage to the environment.

It gives effective control of Annual Perennial weeds, grasses and moss around the home, garden, farm, amenity, industrial and crop situations.

The active ingredient is the result of the fermentation of vegetables and fruits in an aerobic environment.

Children and pets need not be excluded from the treated area once dry.

PH Balance

Irish Organic Weedkiller will temporarily reduce the PH of the soil making the soil uninhabitable for the weed root to survive.

This effect typically lasts only for 48 hours.

New shrubs and plants can be placed in the ground after 2 days.

100% Natural.

Easy to use and long lasting.

Dying weed acts as a compost.

100% Bio-Degradeable.

Results within hours.

Allows replanting after 48 hours

How to use

Use as a spot weeder on gardens, paths, patios, allotments, flowerbeds and vegetable gardens.

Irish Organic Weedkiller is a non selective weedkiller.

When to use

Use in dry weather when weeds are actively growing.

A rain free period should follow application.

Avoid windy conditions.

Irish Organic Weedkiller is available in a Ready to Use formula as well as in a concentrated formula.

The concentrate can be mixed to the desired strength.

The recommended mix is 8 parts water/1part Irish Organic Weed Killer.

Application Rates

Low lying weeds & grass <6" 8:1

Tall weeds and Grass >6" 6:1

Persistent weeds & grass 4:1

When used at walking speed of 1 metre per second covering a 1 metre width, a typical knapsack sprayer will cover approx. 500m sq.

Irish Organic weedkillers disrupt the plant cells performance and damage the weed structure causing the cell walls to break down.

Weeds die quickly from this basic level of destruction.

This weedkiller removes moisture from the foliage.

The PH Change makes the soil uninhabitable for the root.

The strength of the solution of Irish Organic Weed Killer determines how fast it will kill.

Irish Organic Weedkiller is available in the following sizes-:

Ready to use.

500ml. concentrate

1 litre concentrate

5 litre concentrate.

New Mulch Material.

Crumb Rubber is the new mulching material made from recycled tyres.

It can be used as a –

Garden mulch.

Playground.

Pathways.

Golfcourses.

Racetracks.

Sports pitches.

Benefits

Safe&secure under foot.

High safety rating.

Colourfast.

Consistent and impact absorbing.

Drains quickly.

Inert-no plant or animal life will live off it.

Ideal for slopes and open areas.

Easy to spread.

Crumb Rubber is a guaranteed Irish product.