

# SHELMERDINE

## SECOND NATURE



### **Morden Blush Rose**

*Rosa 'Morden Blush'*

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 2b

Group/Class: Parkland Rose

#### **Description:**

Considered one of the most refined of shrub roses, this gem produces clusters of exquisite tea-like flowers that fade from the softest pink to a hint of ivory on a surprisingly tough plant with glossy green foliage; needs full sun and well-drained soil

#### **Ornamental Features**

Morden Blush Rose features showy lightly-scented white flowers with shell pink overtones 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 yellow in fall. The fruits are showy tomato-orange hips displayed from mid to late fall.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Morden Blush 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

Morden Blush Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Morden Blush Rose flowers  
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## **Planting & Growing**

Morden Blush Rose will grow to be about 3 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. 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.