



## Sweet Spot Ruby Rose

*Rosa 'IntRos03'*

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 20 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Sweet Spot Decorator Rose Series

Group/Class: Decorator Rose

### Description:

Dramatic clusters of pink semi-double blooms with deep ruby centers; creates great interest in small spaces, as groundcover and in containers; a long flowering period with excellent disease resistance

### Ornamental Features

Sweet Spot Ruby Rose features showy clusters of semi-double pink flowers with white overtones, gold eyes and ruby-red centers 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 red in spring. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

### Landscape Attributes

Sweet Spot Ruby 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.

Sweet Spot Ruby Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

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



*Sweet Spot Ruby Rose flowers*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

### **Planting & Growing**

Sweet Spot Ruby Rose will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. 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 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. 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.

Sweet Spot Ruby 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. 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.