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Height: 3 feet Spread: 3 feet Sunlight: •

Hardiness Zone: 4

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

## **Description:**

A Meidiland series rose, absolutely smothered in double light pink flowers in early summer, repeat-blooming; compact, mounded habit, quite hardy and resistant to disease, a valuable garden shrub; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

## **Ornamental Features**

Bonica Rose is draped in stunning lightly-scented double shell pink flowers at the ends of the branches from late spring to late summer. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The fruits are showy orange hips displayed from mid to late fall.

## **Landscape Attributes**

Bonica 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.



Bonica Rose flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Bonica Rose flower buds
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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

Bonica Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



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## **Planting & Growing**

Bonica 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.