



**Lillian Gibson Rose**  
*Rosa 'Lillian Gibson'*

Height: 12 feet

Spread: 12 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: 4a

Group/Class: Shrub Rose

**Description:**

A large-growing hardy shrub rose, which produces an abundance of double light pink flowers in early summer; tall, bushy and upright habit, hardy and resistant to disease, a good specimen shrub; all roses need full sun and well-drained soil

**Ornamental Features**

Lillian Gibson Rose is blanketed in stunning lightly-scented shell pink flowers with yellow eyes at the ends of the branches in late spring. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage. The oval compound leaves turn yellow in fall. The spiny brick red bark adds an interesting dimension to the landscape.

**Landscape Attributes**

Lillian Gibson Rose is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with a ground-hugging 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

Lillian Gibson Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use



*Lillian Gibson Rose flowers*  
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### **Planting & Growing**

Lillian Gibson Rose will grow to be about 12 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front, and is suitable for planting under power lines. 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.