

How to...

Prune a Rose



Pruning a Hybrid Tea or Floribunda Rose is usually done in the spring. These tips are a general guideline for pruning any rose to improve its health, to encourage new growth, improve air circulation and remove dead wood from the plant.

Use clean, sharp tools.

Prune from the base of the plant to open up the centre and improve light and air circulation.

Make cuts at a 45 degree angle about 5mm above a bud that is facing the outside of the plant.

Make sure the cut is clean and not ragged as this could cause die back or diseases getting into the cut.

Remove all broken, dead or diseased wood.

Remove any weak branches thinner than a pencil, so that more of the plants energy goes into the stronger stems.

Remove any shoots that are growing from below the graft as these will weaken the plant.

Remove any of last years foliage to help stop diseases from spreading to the new season's growth.

Prune Hybrid Teas 15 to 20cm from the rose union and Floribundas 20 to 25cm from the base.



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