

EXHIBITOR'S ROSE CARE CALENDAR

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| <p><u>JANUARY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Prune</u> all roses; <u>plant</u> bareroot and mound up new plants <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Dormant spray</u> all pruned rose bushes <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Granular 10-12-10 1/4 cup per bush, 1 TB per mini <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Mulch</u> heavily with compost or aged horse manure <p>Complete all pruning and bareroot planting by end-January.</p> | <p><u>FEBRUARY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Buy</u> mail-order Minis Finish mulching <u>Apply</u> Preen to prevent weeds <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 Epsom salts and SuperThrive <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Liquid 16-4-2 <u>Finger prune</u> excess buds <u>Apply</u> snail bait <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Apply</u> 1 cup of alfalfa pellets per bush (1/2 cup for minis) <p>Repot root-bound potted roses.</p> | <p><u>MARCH</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 20-20-20 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> 90-day Slow Release Fertilizer such as Osmocote <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <p>Disbud daily. Spray weekly for mildew. Spray for insects as needed.</p> |
| <p><u>APRIL</u> Peak Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-52-10 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 20-20-20 <u>Apply</u> snail bait <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <p>Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray fungicide weekly for mildew. Spray for insects as needed.</p> | <p><u>MAY</u> Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-52-10 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 20-20-20 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <u>Apply</u> Preen to prevent weeds <p>Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray fungicide weekly for mildew. Spray for insects as needed.</p> | <p><u>JUNE</u> 2nd Cycle Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-52-10 <u>Spray</u> for mildew and mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <p>Water, water, water! Experiment with hybridizing! Use Water Wand daily for mites. Propagate cuttings.</p> |
| <p><u>JULY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> 90-day Slow Release Nitroform 38-0-0 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> 1/4 cup kelp meal <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion + iron <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> 1/4 cup blood meal <p>Use Water Wand daily for mites. Water, water, water!</p> | <p><u>AUGUST</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> 1/4 cup cottonseed meal <u>Apply</u> 1 cup alfalfa pellets per bush (1/2 cup for minis) <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Prune</u> rose bushes 1/3 back; pick up debris <u>Apply</u> Preen to prevent weeds <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, Epsom salts, SuperThrive + Gromulch <p>Use Water Wand daily for mites. Water, water, water!</p> | <p><u>SEPTEMBER</u> Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 20-20-20 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion + iron <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-52-10 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <u>Apply</u> snail bait <p>Finish Roses In Review Forms. Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray fungicide weekly for mildew. Spray for insects as needed.</p> |
| <p><u>OCTOBER</u> Peak Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-52-10 <u>Spray</u> for spider mites <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Feed</u> Fish Emulsion 5-1-1 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 20-20-20 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <p>Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray fungicide weekly for mildew. Spray for insects as needed.</p> | <p><u>NOVEMBER</u> End Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Granular 10-12-10 1/4 cup per bush, 1 TB per mini <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Perform soil test</u> to determine pH level; <u>apply</u> lime or sulfur, if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Buy</u> mail-order roses from catalogs <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Apply</u> 1/4 cup Superphosphate per bush <p>Repot root-bound potted roses.</p> | <p><u>DECEMBER</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Apply</u> one cup gypsum per bush, 1/4 cup for minis <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Pay</u> renewal membership dues for your rose society <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Enjoy</u> the holidays! <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Buy & Plant</u> bareroot roses <p>Note: If any month has a 5th week, it may be used as a rest period.</p> |

Formulas per gallon of water :

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| 1 TB | Liquids: i.e., Deep Feed 16-4-2 |
| 1 TB | Solubles: Grow More, Miracle-Gro |
| 1 TB | Fish Emulsion |
| 1 tsp | Sprint or GrowMore/Iron or Zinc |
| 1/4 cup | Epsom Salts |
| 1/4 cup | Granular: Bandini, Mills Magic, etc. |

PER GALLON

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| 1/4 tsp | Avid |
| 1/3 tsp | Banner Maxx |
| 1/8 tsp | Compass |
| 1/10 tsp | Merit (1/2 tsp/5 gals) |
| 3/4 tsp | Orthene 97% |
| 1 tsp | Response |
| 1/4 tsp | Systhane |
| 1 to 3 tsp | Indicate 5 |

MEASURES

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| 1 TB = 3 tsp |
| 1 oz = 2 TB |
| 1 cup = 8 oz |
| 1 cup = 16 TB |
| <u>1 qt = 32 oz</u> |

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

- Read the labels carefully
- Use only as directed
- Measure correctly
- Wear protective clothing
- Clean up after use
- Store away from pets/kids

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