

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 cupper 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/eyes <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) Repot root-bound potted roses. 	<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 as needed to prevent mildew. Spray as needed to kill insects.</p>
<p><u>APRIL</u> Peak Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-30-20 (or 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 10-30-20 <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 as needed to prevent mildew. Spray as needed to kill insects.</p>	<p><u>MAY</u> Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-30-20 <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 as needed to prevent mildew. Spray as needed to kill insects.</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 10-30-20 <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 or Osmocote <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 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> snail bait <p>Finish Roses In Review Forms. Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray as needed to prevent mildew. Spray as needed to kill insects.</p>
<p><u>OCTOBER</u> Peak Show Season!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 1: <u>Feed</u> Soluble 10-30-20 <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 10-30-20 <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Feed</u> Fish, iron chelate, zinc, epsom salts, & SuperThrive <p>Disbud & deadhead daily. Spray as needed to prevent mildew. Spray as needed to kill insects.</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 cupper bush, 1 TB per mini <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 2: <u>Perform</u> soil test to determine pH level; <u>apply</u> lime or sulfur, if needed <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 3: <u>Buy</u> mail-order roses <input type="checkbox"/> Wk 4: <u>Apply</u> 1/4 cup Superphosphate/bush Repot root-bound potted roses. 	<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 :

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, etc.

PER GALLON

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

1 TB = 3 tsp
1 oz = 2 TB
1 cup = 8 oz
1 cup = 16 TB
1 qt = 32 oz

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:

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

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