

Cabbage rose

Rosa centifolia

Description

Widely used for the production of rose oil and rose water.

Habit

Deciduous; grows up to 1.5 m (5 ft).

Leaves

Grayish-green in color, 5-7 leaflets.

Stems

Covered with small spines.

Flowers

Round, globular, numerous thin overlapping petals; pink, white, dark red-purple in color; fragrant; hermaphrodite, pollinated by insects, self-fertile.

Fruits and Seeds

Numerous seeds found within the fruit.

Habitat

Native to Europe. Found in woodland garden sunny edges and dappled shade.

Reproduction





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By seed, softwood cutting, simple layering or hardwood cuttings.

Similar

French rose (*Rosa gallica*); Musk rose (*Rosa moschata*); Dog rose (*Rosa canina*); Damask rose (*Rosa damascena*).

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