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# Tree Roses

*A guide to growing tree roses in Colorado*

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## Where to Grow

Tree roses can be grown in Colorado as a patio plant. If planted outside, they may not survive the winter because the graft (located under the flowering crown) is vulnerable to prolonged freezing. Tree roses look great in an outdoor entryway or on the patio or deck.

The best way to enjoy a tree rose is in a container. The container should be 18" deep and anywhere from 14" to 24" across, depending on the height of the tree.

When leaves turn brown en masse, the tree has entered dormancy and should be relocated to an unheated garage. The rose needs this dormancy period. Tree roses are seldom subjected to damaging freezes in the garage. Do not prune at this time. Wait until mid-spring.

## Basic Care

- Water twice a month in winter time to prevent dehydration.
- In spring, around early May, move outside and prune to shape.
- Feed twice a month with a quality fertilizer like Mile High Rose Feed.
- Because it is in a pot, check for dryness every couple of days and water thoroughly if needed.

Enjoy its beauty and fragrance all summer long!