



The Secrets of the Miniature Rose

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Growing Miniature Roses Indoors. Botanical Name: *Rosa chinensis* hybrids. If you're growing miniature roses indoors, you'll have success with these tips for miniature rose care. Miniature rose plants can be found for sale in florist's shops around Valentine's Day and Mother's Day. Although these pint-sized beauties are popular gifts, they're really better off as temporary house guests. Their true home is outdoors, where they'll thrive in the sunshine and fresh air. Countless cultivars of mini rose bushes have given us a beautiful variety. 'Lavender Lace' has large, mauve blooms and 'Beauty Secret' is rich, radiant red. Among the tiniest minis are white 'Cinderella' and 'Popcorn' pink 'Bo Peep' and yellow 'Littlest Angel'. Looking for a fragrant mini rose? Miniature roses reach full size quickly, and they flower big-time all season long. Miniatures make beautiful up-front plants. Use them to edge a flower border or walkway, or plant them at the base of taller-growing plants. Miniature roses are actually pretty tough plants. They're almost always propagated and grown on their own roots, which gives them greater hardiness in cold weather than many other types of roses. Like most plants, however, they're not real thrilled with harsh winter winds and the nasty freeze-and-thaw cycles that some winters bring.

Secrets of the Miniature Rose by Elizabeth Abler. Click on Roses to view or order our wonderful rose plants. Roses make a wonderful addition to our Edible Flower Garden Six Pack. From front to back and left to right: Orange Torch of Liberty Rose is to the right of Dwarf French Lavender, Red Sequoia Ruby just behind the Dwarf French Lavender, Pale Pink Cinderella is to the right of the Red Sequoia Ruby and Red Beauty Secret is to the right and in front of Cinderella, Pink Andrea Rose provides the rear backdrop. Miniature roses are true roses that have been selectively bred to stay small in size. Most miniature roses have smaller flowers than standard rose bushes, but they come in the same variety of types and colors as their larger counterparts. Despite their petite size, miniature roses are extremely hardy. In fact, because they are propagated on their own roots (and not grafted onto the rootstock), they are more winter-hardy than most roses and tend to be profuse repeat bloomers.

Micro-mini: This varietal is the smallest of the miniature roses, growing only six to 12 inches tall, with proportional tiny blossoms that are one-quarter to one inch in size. 'Bambino' has vibrant orange blossoms on an eight to 12-inch plant, while 'Chasin' Rainbows' has yellow flowers that are edged in scarlet.

Informative, enlightening, and entertaining, *Secrets of the Miniature Rose* is the only book miniature rose enthusiasts will need to successfully grow these delightful plants. ...more. Get A Copy. Amazon. Online Stores $\frac{3}{4}$. Audible Barnes & Noble Walmart eBooks Apple Books Google Play Abebooks Book Depository Alibris Indigo Better World Books IndieBound. Libraries. Hardcover, 192 pages. Growing miniature roses indoors comes with a few challenges. This guide will show you exactly what to do to grow beautiful miniature roses in your home. Water your miniature rose until the water runs out of the bottom of the planter. Allow the excess water to drain away before placing the miniature rose back on its drip tray. Sometimes I put pebbles in my drip tray and set the pot of roses on the pebbles. This allows the water to continue to drain freely out of the pot, and avoids the possibility of the roots sitting in water. What Soil Do Miniature Roses Need? Avoid using soil out of your garden as this can contain pests and fungi that may affect your miniature roses. Choose a high quality potting soil mix that has perlite and compost incorporated into the mix. Fertilizing Miniature Roses. To feed your roses you should use some sort of organic rose food, but stay away from chemical fertilizer as this will do a nice job of wiping out good microorganisms. Dr. Earth 702P Organic 3 Rose & Flower Fertilizer in Poly Bag, 4-Pound. As you can see, there are many benefits that go along with planting miniature rose bushes, and there is a lot of work. It's not impossible though, as some people would have you believe. If you wish to have a garden of the most beautiful rose bushes, then by all means, go for it, you certainly won't be sorry when you have a beautiful garden that people will come from all over to get a glimpse of. Written by James Tyree, a rose gardening enthusiast. Reprinted with permission.