

### Training to cover an ARCH, PERGOLA, or PILLAR:

Following the same principle as described overleaf, wind the main stems around the post in a gently ascending spiral. Finish by attaching them with a loop of soft string or nail and plant tie.

### Care and maintenance

- Feed twice a year with Miracle-Gro Rose 'Plus'; initially when the leaf buds open in spring and again after the first flush of blooms in June or July.
- Dead-head plants regularly, unless the varieties grown have particularly attractive autumn hips.
- Clear fallen foliage in winter to reduce chances of re-infection with black-spot for the coming season. Also pick off all remaining leaves clinging to the stems. Bin or burn to kill fungal spores.
- Mulch around plants with a thick layer of bulky organic matter (such as well-rotted manure or compost) to conserve moisture, improve soil structure, reduce weeds and provide extra food.

### Pest and disease control

Roses have the unfair reputation of being martyrs to pest and disease attack. This is a little uncalled for as, with foresight and planning, the majority of problems can be avoided.

- Plant roses noted for their disease resistance - most modern introductions are more resilient than old-fashioned varieties.
- Rose Clear Gun! (a pre-diluted, ready-to-use "gun") or Rose Clear 2 (a concentrate for dilution at home) both provide combined Aphid and disease control for roses.\*
- Spray routinely, before the signs of problems appear.
- Begin to spray as leaf buds open in early spring and continue throughout the season, following the manufacturers recommended doses.

\* Always read and follow manufacturers instructions carefully.

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Rosa 'Maigold'



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There are many wonderful climbing and rambling roses on the market for clothing fences, trellis, arches and pergolas. All are suitable for "companion" planting with *Clematis* or Honeysuckle (*Lonicera*), to extend their season of interest.

The term "Climbing Rose" is used loosely to describe two distinct types of plant; the Rambler and the Climber.

## Rambling Roses

Rambling roses have been grown since Victorian times and are distinguished by their long, flexible, thorny stems bearing trusses of small blooms, usually in one main flush. They are renowned for their vigour and impact in flower. They are ideally suited to covering larger areas and scrambling through trees.

## Climbing Roses

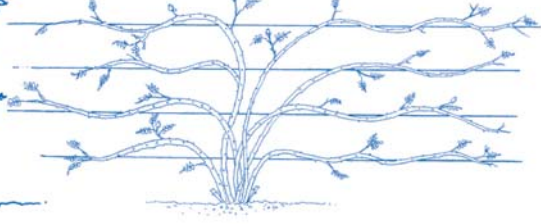
Climbing roses however are the best choice for a screen or fence panel. Blooms are carried on a framework of permanent branches, usually with the ability to "repeat flower" later in the year.



Pillar Rose

To cover a pillar, arch or pergola with foliage and flowers to the ground, wind the rose stems gently around the post in a slowly ascending spiral (keeping the growth as horizontal as possible). Tie with soft string to secure.

When 'Fan Training' a rose along a fence, wall or trellis begin training when the plant is young. Tie branches horizontally to interrupt the flow of sap and encourage many flowering side branches.



Fan-Trained Rose

## Roses for fences, walls, arches and pergolas

Name:	Type:	Colour:	Fragrance:	Height:
<i>Agatha Christie</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Pink	Slight	3m (10ft)
<i>Bantry Bay</i>	Cluster-flowered Climber	Pink	Slight	5m (16ft)
<i>Climbing Arthur Bell</i>	Cluster-flowered Climber	Yellow	Very	5m (16ft)
<i>Compassion</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Apricot	Very	5m (16ft)
<i>Dortmund</i>	Cluster-flowered Climber	Red	Some	5m (16ft)
<i>Dublin Bay</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Deep Red	Some	3m (10ft)
<i>Golden Showers</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Yellow	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>Highfield</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Pale Yellow	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>High Hopes</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Pale Pink	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>Iceberg (Climbing)</i>	Cluster-flowered Climber	White	Slight	3m (10ft)
<i>Lavinia</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Pink	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>Leaping Salmon</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Salmon Pink	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>Little Rambler</i>	Miniature Climber	Pale Pink	Good	3m (10ft)
<i>Maigold</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Bronze Yellow	Good	2.5m (8ft)
<i>Mme Alfred Carriere</i>	Cluster-flowered Climber	Pinky White	Very	5m (16ft)
<i>New Dawn</i>	Rambler	Shell Pink	Fragrant	5m (16ft)
<i>Nice Day</i>	Miniature Climber	Salmon Pink	Fragrant	2m (6ft)
<i>Penny Lane</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Champagne	Some	5m (16ft)
<i>Schoolgirl</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Deep Apricot	Fragrant	3m (10ft)
<i>Warm Welcome</i>	Miniature Climber	Orange	Some	2m (6ft)
<i>Zephirine Drouhin</i>	Large-flowered Climber	Deep Pink	Very	3m (10ft)

## Vigorous roses for growing into trees

Name:	Type:	Colour:	Fragrance:	Height:
<i>Climbing Cécile Brunner</i>	Climber	Shell Pink	Slight	4.5m (15ft)
<i>Kiftsgate</i>	Climber	Creamy-White	Fragrant	10m+(33ft)
<i>Rambling Rector</i>	Rambler	Creamy-White	Fragrant	7m (23ft)
<i>Seagull</i>	Rambler	White	Fragrant	7m (23ft)

NB: Availability of some varieties may be limited, due to scarcity of supply. If unavailable from our normal suppliers, we shall refer customers to an alternative source.

## Pruning.

**Young / Newly Planted Roses:** DO NOT PRUNE - simply cut away all dead and damaged shoots.

**Rambling Roses:** Prune in late summer or autumn, once flowers have faded. Blooms are carried most profusely on new wood, so cut out old, exhausted branches at the base and remove completely. Tie in young, flexible growth as a replacement.

**Climbing Roses:** Cut out all dead, diseased and exhausted wood in mid March. Shorten side branches (growing from the main branch framework) by approx. 2/3rds, to encourage compact, sturdy growth.

## Training

**Fan Training:** Both Climbing and Rambling Roses should be trained from the outset to build a sturdy frame-work of branches and encourage reliable flowering.

Stems should not be allowed to grow "upwards", as this encourages all blooms and new growth to appear solely at the top of the plant, out of sight. Instead begin training while the plants are still young, to "fan" out across a wall or fence. Support on wires spaced at 30-60cm (12-24") intervals, running horizontally. Tie in the flexible young shoots, using soft twine, at regular intervals. A horizontal growth habit encourages more flowering side branches by interrupting the flow of sap to the tip of the branch.