Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush

Hibiscus syriacus 'Mindoub 1'



Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush flowers
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 7 feet

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 4b

Other Names: Shrub Althea

Group/Class: French Cabaret Series

Description:

A compact, upright shrub or small tree with a vase shape habit; extremely showy flowers in summer; beautiful double blooms are a delicate blush pink with shades of white; very adaptable plant, but prefers full sun.

Ornamental Features

Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush features bold double shell pink frilly flowers with white overtones along the branches from mid summer to early fall, which emerge from distinctive hot pink flower buds. It has green deciduous foliage. The lobed leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

Landscape Attributes

Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush is a multi-stemmed deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its average texture blends into the landscape, but can be balanced by one or two finer or coarser trees or shrubs for an effective composition.

This shrub will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and is best pruned in late winter once the threat of extreme cold has passed. It is a good choice for attracting butterflies and hummingbirds to your yard, but is not particularly attractive to deer who tend to leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Accent
- Mass Planting
- Hedges/Screening
- General Garden Use

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Planting & Growing

Rose of Sharon, French Cabaret Blush will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 7 feet. It tends to be a little leggy, with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground, and is suitable for planting under power lines. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for 40 years or more.

This shrub does best in full sun to partial shade. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. This plant should be periodically fertilized throughout the active growing season with a specially-formulated acidic fertilizer. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Clean up Rating (1-5) 1=least effort 5=most effort

Clean Up Rating (1): The Cabaret series are bred to be seedless. Clean up by blow or rake debris onto the lawn and mow or bag.