



### **Itsy Bitsy® Peach Rose\***

***Rosa 'MEIkapette'***

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: 5a

Group/Class: Miniature Rose

#### **Description:**

This miniature variety is a strong, bushy plant, presenting lovely peach double blooms that are long lasting and durable; creates a huge impact in small spaces and containers; excellent disease resistance; benefits from winter protection

#### **Ornamental Features**

Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose features showy double peach flowers with yellow overtones at the ends of the branches from late spring to early fall, which emerge from distinctive orange flower buds. The flowers are excellent for cutting. It has dark green deciduous foliage which emerges light green in spring. The glossy oval compound leaves do not develop any appreciable fall color.

#### **Landscape Attributes**

Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose 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 bees to your yard. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Groundcover
- Container Planting



*Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose flowers*  
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

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### **Planting & Growing**

Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. It tends to fill out right to the ground and therefore doesn't necessarily require facer plants in front. It grows at a fast rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 30 years.

This shrub should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. To help this plant achieve its best flowering performance, periodically apply a flower-boosting fertilizer from early spring through into the active growing season. 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 particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.

Itsy Bitsy Peach Rose makes a fine choice for the outdoor landscape, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when grown in a container, it may not perform exactly as indicated on the tag - this is to be expected. Also note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

*\* This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details*

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