



## 1: Pick a Sunny Place to Plant

Your rose bush will need at least 6-8 hours of sun each day, so choose a sunny spot to plant.

## 2: Dig a Large Hole

Dig a hole slightly larger than the container. Work the soil at the bottom of the hole with your shovel so that it's loose and aerated.

## 3: Remove Rose from its Container

Remove the Knock Out® Rose from its container. Use your hands to gently loosen the roots at the bottom of the plant.

## 4: Plant your Rose in Ground

Place plant in the hole ensuring that the base of the plant is level with the soil.

## 5: Fill in Soil around Plant

Add soil back to the hole around the plant. Crumble the soil so that it is nice and aerated. If desired, mulch around plant.

## 6: Water Rose *until* Established

Water your Knock Out® Rose thoroughly around the base of the plant allowing it to soak in. Repeat as necessary. For the next couple of weeks, check in and water the plant as needed to ensure it stays healthy.



### TIP 1:

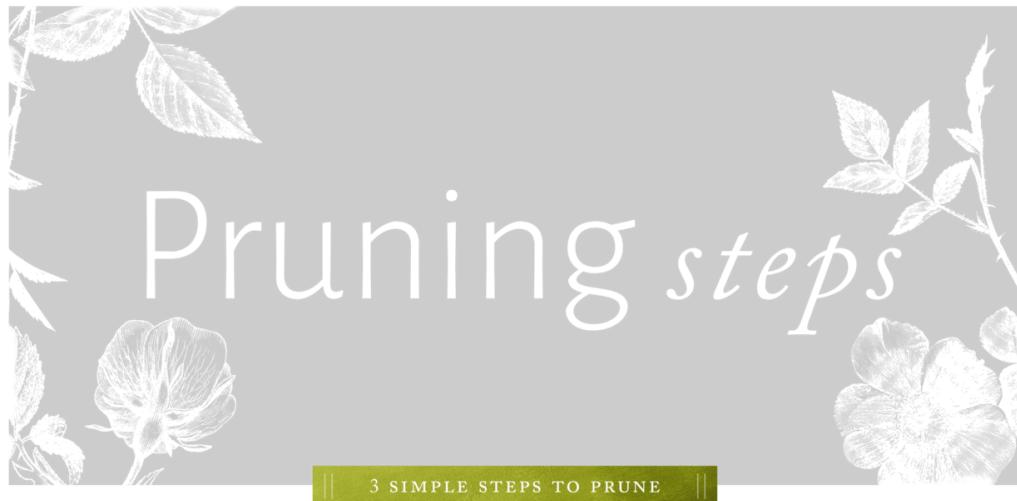
Use a balanced fertilizer or fertilizer formulated for roses from your local garden center and apply after the first wave of flowering (be sure to follow the specified rates and method of application provided on the product label).

### TIP 2:

Make sure the soil is moist before you fertilize to avoid burning the roots.

### TIP 3:

Do not fertilize late in the summer as this is the time the rose should be preparing themselves for dormancy and you do not want to create unnecessary new growth that will likely die back from the first hard frost.



## 1: Decide When *to* Prune

Prune your rose bush in early spring, never in the fall and never in the winter. Check your rose bush from time to time as spring moves along and when you start to see new shoots growing from the canes on your rose bush, that's a good sign that it is time to prune.

## 2: Use Proper *the* Tools

You will need a few basic tools when the time comes to prune your roses: gloves, lopping shears, small hand shears, and a pair of hedge trimmers.

## 3: Determine How High *to* Prune

Determining how high you want to prune depends on how high you want your rose bush to finish. Your rose bush will usually triple in size after pruning so cutting it back to about a foot will leave it at 3 feet when it finished growing.