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VIRGINIA ROSE

Rosa virginiana

Fast-growing vibrant pink rose bush with lustrous dark green leaves.
The fruit is high in Vitamin C and can be used to make jam or tea.

Benefits for Wildlife

- Attracts bees, butterflies, and predatory insects
- Rose hips last through winter, providing a food source for overwintering birds and mammals
- Dense, thorny branches make for ideal nesting habitat

Host to 124 caterpillar species, including:
(*common names*) Apple Sphinx; White-Lined Sphinx; Crocus Geometer; Pale Beauty; Blinded Sphinx; Imperial Moth

Benefits for People

- Great for cut flowers
- Beautiful fall foliage
- Salt tolerant

Growing Information

<i>Sunlight</i>	Full sun to shade
<i>Soil Type</i>	Moist, well-drained, acidic, sandy
<i>Height</i>	4-6'
<i>Width</i>	4-6'
<i>Flowering calendar</i>	June to August

Natural Habitat

- Coastal, grassland, thickets

