



Pruning Roses

Roses should be pruned back hard during February or March to promote lots of new growth and flowers. Unpruned roses will become very untidy with no new growth at the base and all the flowers at the top.

If it is a very exposed site and your roses suffer from wind rock prune them back by two thirds in the autumn to reduce wind rock, then do your final prune in early spring.

Firstly make your pruning cut just above and outward facing bud, sloping away from the bud to encourage rain water to run off.

Start with the 4 D's, remove all dead, dieing, diseased and damaged stems then remove any crossing or inward growing stems to create an open centre.

Cut back young roses to about 15cm.

Mature established Roses cut back to about 30cm.