

Magic Garden Roses

Hello and welcome to our 9th newsletter.



It certainly has been a pleasure talking to so many people across Australia during the busy bare rooted season. Summing up all the talk, it has been great to hear how people are more prepared and educated in drought proofing their precious gardens. We all know that we could still do with more rain to fill those reservoirs, that's for sure. But people are now finding their own solution to the water crisis by installing water tanks and recycling their water to keep their gardens flourishing. A fantastic idea and a bit of insurance for their gardens. After all, we need to protect our weekend retreats!

This is certainly the most exciting time of the year for roses, as they all look so lush and healthy. What we aim to do is help you keep that look. Your roses will be flowering soon and will need Triforine sprayed over them. We always recommend the Kendon Triforine brand as it really works, even Choice magazine has put it on the top of their list. Triforine helps control all fungus problems like blackspot, powdery mildew and rust. Keeping your foliage healthy means a healthy productive rose that will give you loads of pleasure.



Triforine is mixed at a rate of 15ml per litre of water and just make sure that you don't use any container that has had any roundup or any type of weed killer in it. You can apply it every 7-10 days for the best effect and as we get into the dryer times (after Christmas) it can be backed off to 10-14 day intervals.

It is also time to start feeding your roses. We always use and recommend the Amgro organix extra brand as it has pelletised chicken manure, fish meal, seaweed extract, blood & bone and now has added sulphate of potash. We cannot recommend a better fertiliser for roses, veggie gardens and even natives and ornamentals. Completely organic, it is not only the best fertilizer for your roses but it is fantastic for the health of your soil. If you stick to good organic fertilisers and plenty mulch every year, you will end up with a very healthy, weed free and very drought tolerant garden.

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If you have trouble locating a nearby stockist, just give the guys at Amgro a call on 1800 682 221. We only plug products that we personally use and get real results from so you get the same results that we do here on the farm.

We have just finished putting together our new website so take a look and let us know what you think. It still has a few more images to go and we will add those as we get into the start of the flowering season. Feel free to tell us your thoughts on it.

Don't forget to contact us

if you have any queries regarding anything about roses. Some of you may be getting ready to prepare a rose garden this spring. If you are and you need first hand advise, just call us on **03 5962 4500** or email us on sales@magicgardenroses.com.au.



Remember that our new website has all our past newsletters compiled together for you all and it is great reading covering all aspects of rose care. If there is any topic that any of you would like us to cover, just let us know of your problems and successes with roses and we will bring it up in future newsletters.



If you have a garden group or Probus group that you belong to and would like to make a group booking for spring, just call us and we can arrange a day when all the roses are out in full bloom. There are more roses flowering here than you could imagine with over 100,000 roses on the property so it would be a worthwhile trip and a day to remember.

Thank you all again from Pete, Trish and the staff at

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