

## Climbing Rose

Name: *Climbing Rose*

Scientific Name: *Rosa Setigera Michx*

Plant Family: Rose (*Rosaceae*) Shrub

Halq'emeylem: There is no Halq'emeylem name for climbing rose, but the word for rose is *qá:lq* and the word for rose bush is *qá:lqelhp* (Council, 2000-2020).

Habitat: These plants enjoy full to partial sun in fertile soil. Plenty of moisture is important in order for this plant to thrive.

Season: Deciduous perennial

Lifetime: Perennial

Symbolism: Roses were precious in Greek times and were often connected to many Greek gods and goddesses, such as Venus and Iris (Galante, 2006). The rose is very important within the western worldview and are often mentioned throughout western ideology. Roses have a significant role in Christianity, they are commonly being associated with Virgin Mary (Galante, 2006). As well as the five petals on the rose that symbolize the five wounds that were inflicted onto Jesus during crucifixion (Galante, 2006). Roses are also often mentioned throughout Shakespeare's work. The climbing rose holds a lot of symbolism in Western society and would be a good fit for this garden to include the western worldviews and ideology in a positive way for a reconciliation garden. To include both Western and Indigenous worldviews, in a positive manner, is the goal for this garden.

Description: By description the climbing rose is a beautiful plant. It is a shrub with many green leaves and flowers that can vary between pink and white. These flowers bloom around spring and summer (Galante, 2006). The stem of this plant has many thorns that will protrude outwards and can be sharp. A slight browning of the plant will occur during Autumn (Galante, 2006). Nonetheless the plant will still be able to catch the eye. The rose hips and berries of this plant can sometimes be eaten for a vitamin C boost, although it is not very appetizing (Galante, 2006).



Photo from: (Bebeau, 2013)

This plant will also attract many bees and butterflies. The flowers of the climbing rose are very fragrant, and I think it would be a beautiful addition to our garden to add colour and fragrance.

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# Sage

The name of the plant in the garden is Sage.

Scientific (Latin) word for sage is *Salvia officinalis* (Britannica, 2020).

French word for Sage is *la sauge* (University, 2006).

The description of Sage comes in a variety of perennials. Sage grows about 2 feet tall. The colour of sage can vary from gray green to whitish green with rough, oval leaves and spike flowers that can be purple, white, red or pink Sage help bees, butterflies and hummingbirds (Britannica, 2020).

As food sage is a spice for savoury dishes (WebMD, 2018)

The name sage is connected to its use through its medicinal use for stomach pain and various other problems. (WebMD, 2018)

This plant is included in the garden because it was a well-used Indigenous plant, which was a food source to First Nation People and Coast Salish who also use sage for smudging as well as viewing plants as having spirit (Turner, 2014).

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