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White rose (*Rosa alba*)

White rose — i.e. **white roses** — are decorative rose varieties known for their elegance and purity.

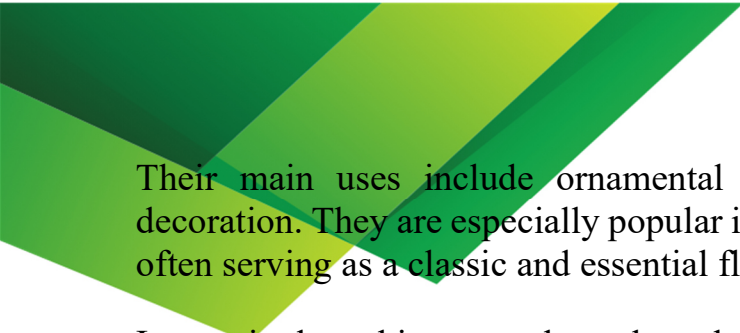
Their petals are usually soft and silky when fully open, appearing in shades such as pure white, creamy white, or sometimes slightly greenish-white tones. The flowers are typically large, multi-layered, and maintain the classic rose shape. Their fragrance varies by cultivar, ranging from light and delicate to a stronger, traditional rose scent.



White roses originate from selective breeding of different species within the *Rosa* and have been cultivated for centuries in Europe and Asia. Culturally, they are widely associated with purity, peace, and new beginnings. In Azerbaijan, they are commonly used in gardens, parks, weddings, and ceremonial decorations.

They grow best in sunny locations with fertile, well-drained, moderately moist soil. Regular watering and pruning help increase both flower quantity and quality. Many cultivars can bloom continuously from spring to autumn. While they are somewhat cold-tolerant, protection during harsh winters is beneficial.

Ecologically and aesthetically, white roses are valued mainly for their ornamental and symbolic significance. They create calm, harmonious visual effects in gardens and landscapes. Their flowers attract bees and other pollinators, and they are widely used in the floristry industry, especially in bridal bouquets and formal arrangements.



Their main uses include ornamental gardening, landscape design, and floral decoration. They are especially popular in weddings, ceremonies, and gift bouquets, often serving as a classic and essential floral element.

Interestingly, white roses have long been seen in many cultures as symbols of innocence and peace. Some cultivars naturally produce white blooms, while others have been selectively bred to achieve a purer and brighter white color. They are considered one of the most “minimalist and elegant” groups within roses.

