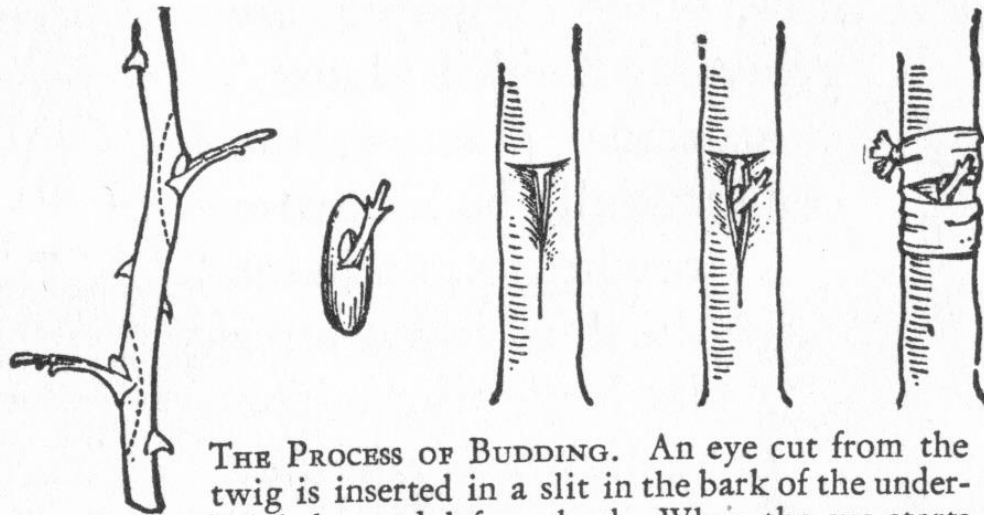


Budding Roses

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Budding in the nutshell



THE PROCESS OF BUDDING. An eye cut from the twig is inserted in a slit in the bark of the understock, bound tightly, and left to heal. When the eye starts to grow, the understock above the "bud" is cut off.

Multiflora Seedling



I order seedlings in the fall from Steve Singer at Wisconsin Roses.

They come in bundles of approximately 25.

The total cost of the seedling runs about \$2 each.

Be sure you have a tall shank. I like 4" if possible.

May have to remove some of the hairy roots at the top of the shank.

Trim roots to fit in pot.

Potted Multiflora Seedling



I like to use a 1½ or 2 gallon pot.

The seedlings can grow in this size pot for a full year.

You can order them from Greenhouse Supply.

I make my own potting mix and I add a lot of bark fines.

Don't want it to be too heavy, but also not as light as a soilless mix.

Be sure and keep the seedlings well watered.

Multiflora Seedling ready to bud



Cutting budwood



Budding Knife



Bud eye (or Scion) Removal



Pith Removal



Bud Eyes in water



Scrubbed Rootstock



Cutting T in Rootstock



Opening cabium layer



Insert bud eye



Remove “handle” and trim top



Inserted bud eye



Wrap bud eye



Hope it takes!



Don't forget to label the seedling!

Success!



Usually takes about 10 to 14 days to take.

Bud is Growing!



Once bud takes, cut top off about $\frac{1}{2}$ " above top of bud at a angle.

Bud will swell and break.

Just let it grow, but don't let it bloom.

Bud is Growing!



Treat your budded rose just like any other rose.

Water it, spray it, and fertilize it

Good idea to provide a little winter protection the first winter.

Plant it next spring!