



*Rosebush*

## Planting Tips:

Plant with cuttings or divide the roots. This plant likes sun but tolerates shady areas as well as poorly drained moist areas.

The swamp rose is very hardy, and early pruning encourages new growth.

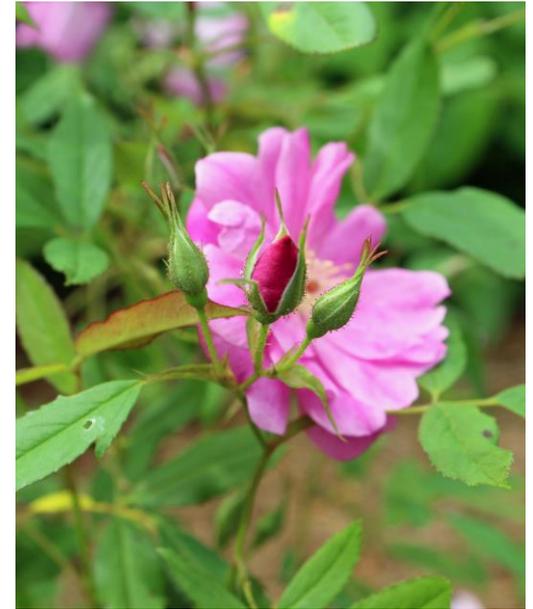
## Visitor Education Center (VEC)

### About Us

The Visitor Education Center (VEC) at the North Mississippi Fish Hatchery is the first and only facility of its kind in Mississippi. It is owned and operated by the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks.

In addition to the native habitat area, the VEC features a 10,000 gallon aquarium, interactive exhibits, displays, artifacts, fishing rodeo pond, gift shop and gallery, and the World Record White Crappie. All of these elements serve as entertaining and engaging learning experiences for all visitors.

The VEC promotes the sport of freshwater fishing in Mississippi, and encourages the conservation and stewardship of aquatic resources. The facility offers guided and self-guided tours along with a myriad of programs and workshops for the public.



*Swamp rose*

## MISSISSIPPI NATIVE: SWAMP ROSE

*(Rosa palustris var.  
scandens)*

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*Fully bloomed*

## Description/Season/ Size:

This upright shrub has stems with small thorns and branches that arch in a weeping form. Flowers are a rose or medium pink color. Leaves are fine-toothed and dark green.

This perennial will bloom in late spring into early summer, but the single blooms stay only a short period.

The swamp rose can reach heights of 6 – 8 feet. Thorns are an average  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch long.



## Habitat:

This plant can be found in acidic soils and moist areas. Habitat areas include bogs, marshy areas, and stream banks.

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### *A Rose by No Other Name*

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*Rosebud*

## Interesting Facts:

This hardy plant produces fragrant masses of roses that, when fully bloomed, smells like perfume.

The Cherokee treated illnesses such as dysentery, diarrhea, and worms with a tea made from the roots and bark.



Information Sources: Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, MSU Extension, Clemson.edu, USDA, and VEC Staff. Pictures taken at the VEC (Wiggins, E.J.); property of MDWFP.