



## Flower Care & Handling Instructions

The beautiful flowers you receive from Abaco Flowers are very fresh than those of traditional floral suppliers. Our bulk flowers are shipped in an early blooming stage to provide you with longer bloom time and enjoyment. Our wholesale bulk flowers will arrive in bud form, please plan advanced arrival. Our bulk flowers are shipped directly from the farm to your doorstep. Our distribution chain is simple: GROWER to SHIPPER to YOU.

### Roses

Your bulk roses will arrive to you directly from our farms in an early blooming stage, without water in an suspended state of animation. Your roses are thirsty and need to drink water 8-12 hours to perk up. With proper care, your roses will bloom over the next few days.

1. Once you open the box, carefully remove all plastic and rubber bands. Cut diagonally in an angle about 1-2 inches from the bottom of the stem.
2. Insert each bunch into a bucket filled with about 1/3 fresh cool water and add 1 packet of [flower food](#).
3. Leave bunches in water between 8-12 hours to re-hydrate them and before you prepare your arrangement. The longer time your flowers stay bunched in water the better they will perform.
4. When you unwrap the flowers, carefully remove any loose or discolored outer petals.
5. Re-cut stems, change water and second packet of flowers food on day 3.
6. For the longest life, keep your roses away from direct sunlight, heat and drafts.
7. Be patient, buds will gradually open in 2-4 days. Once they are hydrated, they will begin to bloom and open to a much larger size.
8. Our roses are shipped in bunches of 25 stems. Our roses are packed in a two-level system, containing 12 or 13 roses per level. This is to ensure protection during the shipping. From the top angle, it will appear that you only have 12 stems in the bunch; however, below this layer there is a second layer containing the remaining 13 roses.

[View all Roses](#)



### (\*) [Alternative Floral Preservative](#)

1. 1/4 cup clear carbonated beverage to one vase water.
2. 1 cup of hydrogen peroxide every time the water is changed
3. One part lemon lime soda to 3 parts of water
4. 2 tablespoons lemon juice, one tablespoon sugar, one quarter teaspoon bleach in one vase of water.
5. 2 tablespoons of white vinegar, two tablespoons of sugar to one vase of water.
6. Use 50% warm water, 50% Sprite or 7UP plus 1.5 teaspoons of bleach.

### Remember:

- Sugar provides energy
- Citric acid acts as an acidifier
- Bleach prevents bacteria growth.