

Rose Absolute – *Rosa centifolia*

Code: T136 **Vol:** 2ml

Country of Origin: Morocco

About the oil

Extracted From: The concrete of the flowers.

Aroma & appearance: Rich, sweet, floral aroma. Dark yellow to amber in color.

Some beneficial ways of enjoying the oil:

- Try blending 4 drops of Rose, 3 drops of Lavender, 1 drop of Roman Chamomile and 2 drops of Geranium in 30ml of Peach Kernel oil for a night-time facial oil.
- To soothe the emotions and refresh the spirit, blend 2 drops each of Rose, Frankincense and Sandalwood in 10ml of coconut oil, swirl in to a warm bath, lie bath and experience these relaxing aromas.

Rose has been highly prized for centuries. There are over 10,000 types of cultivated rose, many of which are extensively used in toiletries for both men and women. It is extremely difficult to extract oil from the petals of the rose. The two main ways are first, solvent extraction of a concrete, which is then produced into an absolute, and second, distillation to produce an essential oil. Production of an absolute gives a better yield, but distillation gives a much finer fragrance.

Rosa Centifolia and its close relatives are cultivated widely in Morocco to produce a rose concrete, from which an absolute is extracted. The product is also known as "rose de mai absolute". The yield of absolute from Rosa Centifolia is somewhat higher than for the Turkish and Bulgarian Rosa Damascena, whereas the yield of the distilled oil is somewhat lower. Thus it is common to find only absolutes coming from Morocco and the distilled oils coming from Turkey and Bulgaria.

This wonderful oil, taken from the 'Queen of Flowers', has long been popular with manufacturers of skincare products.

Did you know?

It is told that Persian warriors adorned their shields with red roses for protection.

Key Search words: Soothing, relaxing, warming, skin care, sensual.

Safety Data

Do not use Rose during the first four months of pregnancy.
