

Potomac Rose Society Information Bulletin

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An Abbreviated Listing of Roses Recommended for the Washington Metropolitan Area

This *very abbreviated* listing has compiled to assist you in your selection of particular varieties of roses for your own garden. In addition to selecting varieties that do well in this area, it is also important to buy good quality bushes which can be found in leading nurseries and garden centers in the spring.

Don't feel that you must select only roses from this list. There are a number of roses that perform well in the Washington metropolitan area. We suggest that you also observe the performance of different roses in area public rose gardens such as Bon Air (N. Lexington Street/Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA) or in the gardens of PRS consulting rosarians.

Hybrid Tea & Grandiflora Roses Medium to large blooms on long stems

<u>Color</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Fragrance</u>	<u>Height/Habit</u>	<u>Rosarian's Comments</u>
red, blend	Double Delight	strong spicy strong	spreading, bushy	Overall most favorite
red, med	Dublin	raspberry	med upright	Exhibition
red, orange	Fragrant Cloud	very strong	vigorous, upright	Wonderful fragrance
red, dark	Mister Lincoln	very strong	vigorous, very tall	Still one of the best reds
red	Veteran's Honor	very slight/none	tall	Promising new rose
pink, light	Bride's Dream	slight	vigorous, tall, upright	Exquisite form
pink, blend	Color Magic	moderate	med upright	Large blooms, can be tender
pink, deep	Elizabeth Taylor	moderate	upright	Exhibition
pink, blend	First Prize	strong	vigorous, spreading	Large blooms
pink, med	Marijke Koopman	moderate	vigorous, med-tall, upright	Highly rated
pink, med	Queen Elizabeth [Gr]	slight	very vigorous, upright	Blooms often in clusters
pink, deep	Rina Hugo	very strong	medium upright	Productive, exhibition
pink, blend	Tiffany	slight	vigorous, upright	Long lasting blooms
mauve	Paradise	strong	medium spreading	Fascinating color, exhibition
apricot, blend	Jema	moderate	vigorous, medium	Large blooms, exhibition
orange	Lasting Peace [Gr]	slight	low-medium	Intense color
orange, pink	Sheer Elegance	moderate musk	upright, tall	Lots of blooms
orange, pink	Touch of Class	slight	medium upright, bushy	Exhibition
yellow, light	Elina	slight	vigorous, tall	Exhibition, disease resistant
yellow, med	Gold Medal	slight tea	upright, bushy	Exhibition
yellow, blend	Peace	slight	very vigorous, bushy, tall	A true classic
yellow, blend	St. Patrick	slight	medium upright	Exhibition, can be tender
white	Crystalline	spicy	upright, bushy, tall	Exhibition
white	Moonstone	slight	medium, spreading	Disease resistant, exhibition
white, blend	Pristine	slight	upright	Large blooms, exhibition
white, blend	Sheer Bliss	strong spicy	upright, bushy	Exhibition, large blooms

Climbing Roses Repeat bloomers for showering color

red, medium	Altissimo	slight	tall	Repeater, showy stamens
red, dark	Don Juan	strong	vigorous, medium	Repeater, hardy
red, medium	Dublin Bay	moderate	medium	Repeater
red, blend	Handel	strong	medium	Repeater, good garden rose
pink, light	New Dawn	sweet	tall	Repeat bloom, disease resistant
orange, pink	America	strong	medium	Large blooms, repeater
yellow, med	Golden Showers	moderate	vigorous, medium	Free flowing repeater
white	Iceberg	moderate	medium	Floribunda, repeater

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Floribunda Roses Smaller flowers in clusters; ideal for outdoor color

<u>Color</u>	<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Fragrance</u>	<u>Height/Habit</u>	<u>Rosarian's Comments</u>
red, dark	Europeana	slight	vigorous	Large blooms
red, blend	Playboy	slight	vigorous	Striking bloom
red, medium	Showbiz	very slight/none	bushy	Long lasting blooms
pink, medium	Pleasure	slight	low, compact	Large ruffled blooms
pink, medium	Sexy Remy	slight	bushy	Exhibition
mauve	Angel Face	slight	upright, tall, almost climbing	Wavy petals
orange, pink	Cherish	slight	compact, spreading	Single blooms
orange, pink	Dicky	slight	bushy	Large blooms
orange, red	Kanegem	very slight/none	upright	Large blooms, exhibition
yellow, blend	Betty Boop	slight	medium, spreading	Single blooms, striking color
yellow, blend	Sheila's Perfume	strong	medium, bushy	Superb form
yellow, med	Sun Flare	very slight	low, compact	Disease resistant
yellow, dark	Sunsprite	strong	upright	Disease resistant
white	French Lace	strong	bushy	Exhibition
white	Iceberg	very slight/none	vigorous, upright, bushy	Constant bloomer

Miniature Roses Very hardy and easy to grow; ideal for borders, planters, window boxes, etc.

red, dark	Black Jade	very slight/none	upright	Exhibition, almost black
red, blend	Fancy Pants	spicy	upright, bushy, medium	Yellow base, exhibition
red, blend	Glowing Amber	slight	upright	Yellow base, exhibition
red, blend	Kristin	very slight/none	upright, bushy, medium	Exhibition
red, medium	Miss Flippins	very slight/none	medium	Exhibition
pink, medium	Cupcake	very slight	compact, bushy	No thorns, blooms in clusters
pink, blend	Giggles	slight	very small, upright, bushy	One of most popular
pink, blend	Minnie Pearl	slight	upright	HT form
mauve	Winsome	very slight/none	upright, bushy	HT form
apricot, blend	Jean Kenneally	slight	upright, bushy	HT form
orange, pink	Pierrine	slight damask	upright, medium	Exhibition
yellow, light	Fairhope	slight	upright, bushy, medium	Color holds well
yellow, blend	Hot Tamale	slight	low, bushy, compact	Blooms in small clusters
yellow, med	My Sunshine	moderate	upright, bushy	Ages to soft orange
yellow, blend	Party Girl	spicy	compact	Small blooms
yellow, blend	Rainbow's End	very slight/none	upright, bushy	HT form
white, blend	Child's Play	sweet	upright, medium	Pink edges
white	Figurine	slight	upright, bushy, medium	Ivory color, small blooms
white	Irrisitable	spicy	upright, tall	Pink centers

Landscape/Shrub Roses Great garden color; ideal for edges, borders, etc.

red, med	Hansa	very/ cloves	vigorous	Hybrid rugosa, disease resistant
red	Knock Out	slight	bushy	Recurrent, promising new rose
pink, med	Betty Prior	moderate	vigorous, bushy	Floribunda, single
pink, med	Carefree Beauty	moderate	upright, spreading	Large blooms, disease resistant
pink, light	Heritage	strong	upright, bushy	Recurrent, very popular
pink, light	The Fairy	slight	compact, spreading	Recurrent, small clusters
orange	Bonica	slight	vigorous, bushy	Floribunda, clusters
white	Sea Foam	slight	vigorous, spreading	Recurrent, good ground cover

Old Garden Roses Old roses with unique charm and wonderful fragrance

pink, med	Barone Prévost	strong	vigorous, erect	Hybrid perpetual, recurrent
pink, med	La Reine Victoria	strong	upright	Bourbon, recurrent
pink, dark	Louise Odier	strong	upright	Bourbon, recurrent
pink, med	Paul Neyron	strong	vigorous	Hybrid perpetual, recurrent
pink, dark	Pose de Rescht	strong	vigorous, compact	Damask, repeater
pink, light	Souv. de la Malmaison	strong spicy	dwarf, bushy	Bourbon, repeater
mauve	R. rugosa rubra	strong	very vigorous	Species, single
white	Mme. Hardy (1832)	moderate	vigorous	Damask, blooms in spring
white, red	Rosa Mundi (1581)	strong	bushy	Species, blooms in spring

Recommended Roses-- Update

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If you were to ask ten rosarians for a list of their favorite roses for growing in the Washington metropolitan area, chances are very high that you would receive ten different lists. That is what I found out when I attempted to update the PRS handout of recommended roses. PRS consulting rosarians, board members, and officers were each asked for a list of roses they would recommend to someone who was planting a rose garden in this area. I quickly learned one thing: ***there are a lot of roses that will do well in this area!***

Since our handout was limited to one sheet (it could have easily had been numerous pages long), I was forced to come up with some type of criteria for selection. The specific roses selected for the handout based on: 1) the number of votes that roses received, 2) the color and fragrance (to allow a broad spectrum of choices), and 3) the comments of the rosarians recommending that rose. Information regarding each rose (i.e., color, fragrance, height/habit) was also cross-checked with *Roses 10* and the ARS web site. The comments noted were taken solely from those offered by the local rosarians.

Although the total listing of recommendations were vast, a number of tried and true bushes kept appearing as favorites. See if you would agree!

	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Hybrid Tea/ Grandiflora	<i>Double Delight</i>	<i>Mister Lincoln</i>	<i>Elina</i>
Climbing	<i>Don Juan</i>	<i>Altissimo</i> <i>Dublin Bay</i> <i>Handel</i>	<i>America</i> <i>New Dawn</i>
Florabunda	<i>Angel Face</i> <i>Dicky</i> <i>Europeana</i> <i>Pleasure</i>	<i>Cherish</i> <i>French Lace</i> <i>Iceberg</i> <i>Playboy</i> <i>Sexy Rexy</i>	<i>Betty Boop</i> <i>Sheila's Perfume</i> <i>Showbiz</i> <i>Sun Flare</i>
Miniature	<i>Giggles</i> <i>Irresistible</i> <i>Kristin</i>	<i>Fancy Pants</i> <i>Glowing Amber</i> <i>Hot Tamale</i> <i>Jeane Kenneally</i> <i>Minnie Pearl</i> <i>Pierrine</i> <i>Rainbow's End</i>	<i>Black Jade</i> <i>Cupcake</i> <i>Fairhope</i> <i>Miss Flippins</i> <i>Winsome</i>
Landscape	<i>Heritage</i>	<i>Bonica</i> <i>Carefree Beauty</i> <i>The Fairy</i>	<i>Betty Prior</i> <i>Hansa</i> <i>Sea Foam</i> <i>Simplicity (Red)</i>
Old Garden	<i>Louise Odier</i> <i>Paul Neyron</i>	<i>Baronne Provost</i> <i>La Reine victoria</i>	<i>Mme. Hardy</i> <i>Rosa Mundi</i> <i>Rose de Rescht</i> <i>Souvenire de la Malmaison</i>