

ROSE DESCRIPTIONS

Fragrance is one of the most endearing and sought after characteristic of roses. It is however, a highly individualized sense. A rose that may be highly scented to one person may have little fragrance to another. This list of fragrant roses was compiled from the personal experience of rosarians who have grown these roses in the mid-Atlantic area and generally acknowledge them to be highly fragrant.

Since Old Garden Roses (OGRs) as a class tend to be more fragrant than modern roses, the better varieties of OGRs for this region are listed separately.

To better decide which of these you like best, visit the

Arlington Rose Foundation's

Spring Rose Show

which is held the first weekend of June at the Merrifield Garden Center (Fair Oaks Location).

This listing contains a good cross section of some of the better varieties for growing in this region. For each recommended rose, a number of informational features are included to aid in choosing a rose to meet individual needs. Further information including pictures can be obtained by visiting www.arlingtonrose.org.

Variety is the official name approved by the ARS.

Color is designated by the ARS in one of 17 distinctive colors:

ab	apricot & apricot blend
dr	dark red
dp	deep pink
dy	deep yellow
lp	light pink
ly	light yellow
m	mauve & mauve blend
mp	medium pink
mr	medium red
my	medium yellow
ob	orange & orange blend
op	orange pink
or	orange red
pb	pink blend
rb	red blend
r	russet
w	white, near-white & white blend

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Class is a designation based on the registration of the variety by the hybridizer or introducer. There are currently 37 classes recognized by the ARS.

Rating is the average garden performance rating as determined by a national survey of ARS rosarians:

9.3 -10	One of the best roses ever
8.8-9.2	An outstanding rose
8.3-8.7	A very good to excellent rose
7.8-8.2	A solid to very good rose
7.3-7.7	A good rose
6.8-7.2	An average rose
6.1-6.7	A below average rose
0.0-6.0	Not recommended

Fragrance is a very subjective measure, varying between people, between roses of the same variety, with temperature, and with time of day and time of year. These ratings are based on a scale from 0 to 3 with 0 having no or slight fragrance, 1 moderate fragrance, 2 strong fragrance and 3 very strong fragrance. .

Rebloom is an evaluation of the rose bush's ability to rebloom. The ratings are based on a scale of 0 to 3, with 0 a once or nearly once bloomer, 1 a stingy rebloomer, 2 an average rebloomer, and 3 a continuous non-stop bloomer.

Disease is a measure of the susceptibility to disease: **N** (no spray required) - bush may show minor disease symptoms but performance is not effected; **S** (some spray required) - spraying spring and fall required with little or no summer spaying; **F** (full spray required) - normal spray routine is effective in eliminating disease.

Petal Count is the ARS definition of the fullness of the flower:

Single	4 to 8 petals
Semi-double	9 to 16 petals
Double	17 to 25 petals
Full	26 to 40 petals
Very full	more than 40 petals

Height & Width are average values for the bush's growth habits in this region.

Date Introduced into commerce by the hybridizer.

Recommended Roses

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<u>Variety (color)</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Fragrance</u>	<u>Rebloom</u>	<u>(0-3)</u> <u>(N,S,F)</u> <u>Disease</u>	<u>Petals</u>	<u>High x Wide</u>	<u>Date</u> <u>Introduced</u>
<u>Recommended Fragrant Modern Roses</u>								
Bewitched (mp)	Hybrid Tea	7.7	strong damask rose	3	F	27 - 30	4' x 2'	1967
Chrysler Imperial (dr)	Hybrid Tea	7.8	rich damask	1	F	45 - 50	4' x 3'	1952
Double Delight (rb)	Hybrid Tea	8.4	strong spicy	3	F	30 - 35	4' x 4'	1976
Dublin (mr)	Hybrid Tea	8.2	intense raspberry	2	F	35 - 40	4' x 3'	1983
New Zealand (lp)	Hybrid Tea	7.9	strong old rose	2	F	34	4' x 3'	1989
Fragrant Cloud (or)	Hybrid Tea	8.1	heavy spice & rose	2	F	28 - 35	4' x 3'	1967
Memorial Day (mp)	Hybrid Tea	7.7	strong damask	2	F	28 - 52	5' x 3'	2002
Mister Lincoln (dr)	Hybrid Tea	8.3	heavy damask	2	F	35	5' x 4'	1965
Parole (dp)	Hybrid Tea	7.7	strong rose	1	F	very full	5' x 4'	2006
Papa Meilland (dr)	Hybrid Tea	7.8	strong spice & honey	2	F	35	4' x 3'	1963
Perfume Delight (mp)	Hybrid Tea	7.6	strong citrus	3	F	26 - 35	5' x 4'	1973
Pope John Paul II (w)	Hybrid Tea	7.7	strong citrus	3	F	full	5' x 4'	2007
Rouge Royale (rb)	Hybrid Tea	7.4	fruity damask	3	F	very full	6' x 5'	2001
Secret (pb)	Hybrid Tea	7.9	strong sweet & spicy	2	F	30 - 40	4' x 2'	1992
The McCartney Rose (mp)	Hybrid Tea	7.9	rich fruity	1	F	20 - 22	5' x 3'	1995
Tiffany (pb)	Hybrid Tea	7.9	sweet fruity	2	F	25 - 30	4' x 3'	1954
Melody Parfumée (m)	Grandiflora	7.7	intense damask	3	F	25 - 30	5' x 4'	1998
Wild Blue Yonder (m)	Grandiflora	7.7	strong citrus rose	2	F	20 - 30	5' x 3'	2004
Angel Face (m)	Floribunda	7.7	strong citrus	2	F	25 - 30	4' x 2'	1969
Purple Heart (m)	Floribunda	7.3	clove & spice	2	F	30 - 35	6' x 4'	1999
Sheila's Perfume (yb)	Floribunda	8.2	strong rose & fruit	3	F	20 - 25	4' x 3'	1982
Sunsprite (dy)	Floribunda	8.5	strong citrus	3	S	25 - 30	4' x 3'	1973
Abraham Darby (ab)	Shrub (D Austin)	8.0	strong fruity	2	F	full	8' x 5'	1991
Evelyn (ab)	Shrub (D Austin)	7.9	sweet peachy	2	S	full	6' x 4'	1992
Fair Bianca (w)	Shrub (D Austin)	7.8	strong myrrh	3	S	full	4' x 3'	1983
Gertrude Jekyll (mp)	Shrub (D Austin)	7.6	quintessential rose	2	F	very full	6' x 6'	1986
Mary Rose (mp)	Shrub (D Austin)	8.3	strong rose	2	S	full	5' x 5'	1983
Midnight Blue (m)	Shrub	7.3	strong spicy clove	2	S	double	3' x 2'	2004
Outta the Blue (m)	Shrub	7.9	strong clove & rose	3	S	full	3' x 3'	2000
Star of the Nile (dp)	Shrub	nr	strong candy myrrh	3	S	double	4' x 3'	2000
William Shakespeare 2000 (mr)	Shrub (D Austin)	7.7	strong old rose	3	S	very full	4' x 3'	2001
America (op)	Lg- Flowering Cl	8.3	strong spicy	3	F	43	> 12'	1976
Don Juan (dr)	Lg- Flowering Cl	8.2	strong rose	3	F	30 - 35	> 10'	1958
Fourth of July (rb)	Lg- Flowering Cl	8.1	apple & sweet rose	2	F	10 - 16	14' x 8'	1999
Sombreuil (w)	Lg- Flowering Cl	8.8	strong sweet fruity	3	S	very full	> 8'	about 1880

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Apothecary's Rose (dp)	Species	8.7	intense	0	S	semi-double	4' x 4'	before 1600
Autumn Damask (mp)	Damask	8.2	sweet damask	1	S	double	7' x 5'	before 1849
Baronne Prevost (mp)	Hybrid Perpetual	8.6	damask	2	F	double	5' x 4'	1842
Comte de Chambord (pb)	Portland	8.3	strong damask	1	F	double	4' x 3'	about 1860
Celsiana (lp)	Damask	8.5	strong damask	0	F	semi-double	6' x 5'	before 1817
John Hopper (pb)	Hybrid Perpetual	nr	strong sweet fruity	1	F	70	8' x 4'	1862
Lamarque (w)	Noisette	8.8	lemon tea	2	N	double	≥15'	1830
Mme Isaac Pereire (dp)	Bourbon	8.4	sweet fruity damask	1	S	double	8' x 5'	1881
Marchesa Boccella (lp)	Hybrid Perpetual	9.0	strong fruity	3	S	double	5' x 3'	1842
Reine des Violettes (m)	Hybrid Perpetual	8.2	sweet violet	1	F	75	5' x 5'	1860
Rose de Rescht (dp)	Portland	8.8	fresh damask	2	S	double	4' x 3'	about 1880
Stanwell Perpetual (w)	Hybrid Spinosissima	8.6	strong tea rose	2	F	double	6' x 4'	before 1836
Yolande d'Aragon (m)	Portland	8.4	strong fruity damask	2	S	full	>7'	1843