

## ROSE DESCRIPTIONS

Miniature and mini-flora roses, in flower form and foliage, are miniature versions of hybrid teas and floribundas. The miniature's bloom size is about one inch and the mini-flora's bloom size is mid-way between the miniature and floribunda. Generally the bush size is small as well. They are lovely plants to fill a vacant space in your garden and are ideal for potting.

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](http://www.arlingtonrose.org).

**Variety** is the official name approved by the ARS.

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

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

## ROSE DESCRIPTIONS (continued)

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

<b>9.3 -10</b>	One of the best roses ever
<b>8.8-9.2</b>	An outstanding rose
<b>8.3-8.7</b>	A very good to excellent rose
<b>7.8-8.2</b>	A solid to very good rose
<b>7.3-7.7</b>	A good rose
<b>6.8-7.2</b>	An average rose
<b>6.1-6.7</b>	A below average rose
<b>0.0-6.0</b>	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 stinky 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 spraying; **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

## MINIATURES

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## MINI-FLORAS™

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<u>Variety (color)</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>(0-3) Fragrance</u>	<u>(0-3) Rebloom</u>	<u>(N,S,F) Disease</u>	<u>Petals</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Year Introduced</u>
<b>Recommended Miniature Roses</b>							
Absolutely (yb)	7.6	1	3	S	22 - 40	2'	1998
Arcanum (ab)	7.5	0	2	F	double	2'	2000
Baby Boomer (mp)	7.7	0	2	F	double	2½'	2003
Bees Knees (yb)	8.0	0	2	F	full	3'	1998
Best of 04 (yb)	7.5	0	2	F	double	2'	2005
Breath of Spring (my)	7.7	0	2	F	double	3'	2001
Dancing Flame (yb)	7.7	0	2	F	double	2'	2001
Fairhope (ly)	8.2	0	2	F	16 - 28	2½'	1989
Hot Tamale (yb)	8.3	0	2	F	full	2'	1993
Incognito (m)	8.0	0	2	F	double	2½'	1995
Irresistible (w)	9.0	0	2	F	43	2½'	1990
Jean Kenneally (ab)	9.1	0	2	F	22	2½'	1984
Joy (pb)	%	0	2	F	double	2'	2007
Klassy Lady (pb)	7.7	0	2	F	double	2'	2006
Kristin (rb)	8.1	0	2	F	27 - 30	2'	1992
Luis Desamero (ly)	7.9	0	2	S	28	2½'	1989
Miss Flippins (mr)	8.1	0	2	F	double	2½'	1997
Nancy Jean (ab)	7.7	0	2	F	double	3'	2004
Odessa (m)	7.9	0	2	F	full	2½'	1998
Pierrine (op)	9.0	1	2	F	40	3'	1988
Soroptimist International (pb)	7.9	0	2	F	full	3'	1995
Ty (dy)	7.7	0	2	S	double	2½'	2005
Willing (yb)	7.4	0	2	F	double	4'	2006
X-Rated (pb)	7.9	2	2	F	25-35	2'	1993

#### **Recommended Mini-Flora Roses**

Butter Cream (my)	7.8	0	2	F	full	2½'	2003
Class of '73 (pb)	7.1	0	2	F	double	2'	2003
Conundrum (yb)	7.7	0	2	F	double	2'	2002
Dr. John Dickman (m)	7.8	0	2	F	double	3'	2002
Dr Troy Garret (mr)	7.8	0	2	F	full	3½'	2005
Edisto (rb)	7.5	0	2	F	full	2½'	2007
Equinox (ob)	7.4	0	2	F	full	2½'	2005
First Choice (w)	7.7	0	2	F	double	2'	2007
Foolish Pleasure (pb)	7.8	0	2	F	full	3'	2003
Leading Lady (w)	7.8	0	2	F	double	2½'	2006
Louisville Lady (dp)	7.6	0	2	F	full	2½'	2003
Memphis King (dr)	7.7	0	2	F	full	2'	2002
Power Point (mr)	7.7	0	2	F	very full	2½'	2007
Robin Alonso (dr)	7.7	0	2	F	full	2'	2005
Shameless (rb)	%	0	2	F	full	3'	2007
Show Stopper (ab)	7.7	0	2	F	very full	2½'	2007
Top Contender (dy)	8.0	0	3	S	double	2½'	2006
Unbridled (yb)	7.4	0	2	F	double	2½'	2007
Whirlaway (w)	7.7	0	2	F	full	3½'	2005

% An insufficient number of reports have been received to establish a proper rating.