

BEST ROSES FOR ARIZONA MEVRS

ROSES THAT LOVE OUR HEAT

These are a few suggestions out of the many roses that will grow well in the Desert Southwest. It's generally agreed that roses purchased at a retail nursery/garden center are superior to those found at discount nurseries or chain stores.

There are excellent sources for roses on the internet, especially for roses on fortuniana rootstock, miniatures and old garden roses. Check out ROSE SOURCES on our website: www.roses4az-mevrs.org.

Always select grade #1 bushes. Hybrid tea and miniature roses are probably the two most common types, but there are many other choices. Most types vary by flower shape/size, bush size/growth habit, bloom season and length of bloom. Roses are great in the landscape, not just in their own beds. So go out and explore the possibilities! Check with local Consulting Rosarians for other suggestions.

National Rose Rating

10 Perfect
9.0 to 9.9 Outstanding
8.0 to 8.9 Excellent
7.0 to 7.9 Good
6.0 to 6.9 Fair
5.9 & below questionable
No rating: too new

Color Classes

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, orange-red
rb: red blend
r: russet
w: white, near white, white blend
yb: yellow blend

Best varieties are listed in bold.

@ AARS winner

* Great for AZ, Even though it has a lower national rating
fragrant = strong fragrance

Hybrid Teas

Beloved aka Cesar E.Chavez (dr) 7.4

***Black Magic (dr) 7.7**

***Cajun Moon** (white) 7.9

Cajun Sunrise (pb) 7.7

Dainty Bess (lp) 9.0

Deidre Hall (yb) fragrant

Double Delight@ (rb) 8.4 fragrant

Falling In Love (lp) 8.9

First Prize (pb) 8.9

Fragrant Cloud (or) 8.1 fragrant

Gemini@ (p/crm) 8.2

***Hot Princess** (dp) 7.9 fragrant

***Let Freedom Ring** (dr) 7.8

*Lynn Anderson (pb) 7.8

Marilyn Monroe (ab) 7.9

Marilyn Wellan (mr)

Mister Lincoln@ (dr) 8.8 fragrant

Moonstone (w) 8.2

*Perfectly Red (dr) 7.6

Secret@ (pb) 7.9 fragrant

Signature (dp) 7.6

St. Patrick@ (yb) 8.0

Sunstruck (ab) 7.6

*Table Mountain (wpgr bl.) 7.3

fragrant

Touch of Class@ (op) 8.9

***Veterans' Honor** (dr) 8.1 fragrant

Grandifloras

Arizona@ (ob) 7.5 fragrant

Gold Medal@ (my) 8.4

Queen Elizabeth@ (mp) 6.3

Wild Blue Yonder@ (m) fragrant

Old Garden Roses

Archduke Charles (rb) 8.3

Autumn Damask (mp) 8.2 fragrant

R. banksiae (w) 9.2

R. banksiae lutea (ly) 9.1

Baronne Prevost (mp) 8.5 fragrant

Cardinal de Richelieu (m) 7.8

fragrant

Champney's Pink Cluster (lp) 8.4

Charles de Mills (dr) 8.4 fragrant

Comte de Chambord (lp) 8.3

fragrant

Enfant de France (lp) 8.3 fragrant

Francis Dubreuil (dr) 8.0

General Allard (mp) Bourbon 8.2

Leda (w) 8.3 fragrant

Madame Hardy (w) 8.9 fragrant

Maggie (mr) fragrant

Marchesa Boccella (lp) 9.0 fragrant

Mme Isaac Pereire (mp) 8.4 fragrant

Mons Tillier (mp) 8.4

Mutabilis (yb) 8.0

Old Blush (mp) 8.3

Pink Pet (mp) 8.6

Rose de Rescht (dp) 8.6 fragrant

Rose du Roi (mr) 7.6 fragrant

*The Green Rose (g) 7.4

Yolande d'Aragon (m) 8 fragrant

Large Flowered Climbers All are excellent.

Altissimo (red) 8.5
America@ (or) 8.3
Berries'n Cream (raspberry/white, striped) 7.8
Candy Land (wb) (light raspberry/white stripes)
Climbing Iceberg (w) 8.5
Don Juan (dr) 8.2 fragrant
Dream Weaver (op) 7.9
Eden Climber, Pierre du Ronsard 8.2
Fourth of July@ (red/white striped) 8.1
Night Owl (m)
Soaring Spirits (raspberry/wht stripe)
Sombreuil (w) 8.8 fragrant
The Impressionist (ob) 8.0 fragrant

Floribundas

Brass Band@ (ab) 7.9
Chihuly (rb) 7.5
City of Carlsbad (ob) 8.1
Fabulous! (w) 7.7
French Lace@ (w) 8.1
Hot Cocoa@ (russet) 7.9
Iceberg (w) 8.7
Johnny Becnel (ob) 7.5
Julia Child@ (my) fragrant
Lady of the Dawn (lp) 8.4
Lavaglut (dr) 8.7
Hannah Gordon (pb) 8.6
Marmalade Skies (ob) 7.8
Moondance (w) (7.8)
Our Lady of Guadalupe (pb) 8.0
Pasadena Star (w) 7.2
Passionate Kisses (mp) 8.2
Peachy Cheeks (pb)
Pinnacle (rb)
Playgirl (mp) 8.4
Sentimental@ (rb) Striped 7.7
fragrant
Sexy Remy (mp) 8.7
Tuscan Sun (ab) 7.8

Polyanthas

Anda (dr)
Cecile Brunner (lp) 8.0
Cl Cecile Brunner (lp) 8.0
Chatillon Rose (mp) 7.3 fragrant
China Doll (mp) 8.1
Lullaby (w) 8.7
The Fairy (lp) 8.7
Verdun (r) 8.6
Wing-Ding (dr)

Miniatures

Baby Grand (mp) 8.6
Bee's Knees (yb) 8.0
Dancing Flame (yb) 7.7
Erin Alonso (my) 7.7
Fairhope (ly) 8.2
Gizmo (ob) 7.9
Gourmet Popcorn (w) 8.7
Green Ice (w) 8.0
Hot Tamale (yb) 8.3
Incognito (m) 8.0
Irresistible (w) 9.0
Kristin (rb) 8.1
Little Artist (rb) 8.4
Magic Show (rb)
Marie Jeannette (w) 7.6
Marriotta (dp) 8.0
Minnie Pearl (pb) 9.0
Miss Flippins (mr) 8.1
My Sunshine (my) 8.7 fragrant
Neon Cowboy (rb) 8.0
Popcorn (w) 8.1
Rainbow's End@ (yb) 8.7
Ruby Baby (rb) 7.8
Soroptimist International (pb) 7.9
Sweet Chariot (m) 8.4 fragrant

Minifloras

Abby's Angel (dy) (7.7)
Autumn Splendor (yb) 8.1
Butter Cream (my) 7.8
Charismatic (rb) 7.5
Conundrum (yb) 7.7
Dr John Dickman (m) 7.8
Foolish Pleasure (pb) 7.8
Peter Cottontail (w) 7.6
Robin Alonso (dr) (7.7)
Sunglow (my)

Shrubs (Austin & others)

Abraham Darby (op) 7.8 fragrant
Ballerina (mp) 8.7
Be-Bop (rb) 8.1
Belle Story (lp) 8.6
Darlow's Enigma (w) 8.3 fragrant
Dortmund (mr) 9.1 good as climber
Evelyn@ (ab) 7.9 fragrant
Falstaff@ (dr) 7.5
Flower Girl (lp) 8.2
Golden Celebration (dy) 8.0 fragrant
Graham Thomas (dy) 8.2 fragrant
Home Run (dr)
Lady of the Mist (ob) 7.7 fragrant
Molineux (dy) 8.0 fragrant
Outta the Blue (m) 7.9 fragrant
Panda Meidiland (w) 8.0
Pillow Fight (w) 7.9
Prospero (dr) 8.4 fragrant
Red Ribbons (dr) 8.3
Sally Holmes (w) 8.9
Sparrieshoop (lp) 8.2 fragrant
Tamora@ (ab) 7.8
The Squire (dr) 8.4 fragrant
Tradescant (dr) 7.9 fragrant
William Shakespeare 2000@ (mr)
7.7 fragrant