BEST ROSES FOR ARIZONA

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.

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<th>National Rose Rating</th>
<th>Color Classes</th>
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<tr>
<td>10 Perfect</td>
<td>dr: dark red</td>
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<tr>
<td>9.0 to 9.9 Outstanding</td>
<td>dp: deep pink</td>
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<td>8.0 to 8.9 Excellent</td>
<td>dy: deep yellow</td>
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<td>7.0 to 7.9 Good</td>
<td>lp: light pink</td>
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<td>6.0 to 6.9 Fair</td>
<td>ly: light yellow</td>
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<td>5.9 &amp; below questionable</td>
<td>m: mauve, mauve blend</td>
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<td>No rating: too new</td>
<td>mp: medium pink</td>
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<td>mr: medium red</td>
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<td>my: medium yellow</td>
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<td>ob: orange, orange blend</td>
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<td>op: orange-pink, orange-red</td>
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<td>rb: red blend</td>
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<td>r: russet</td>
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<td>w: white, near white, white blend</td>
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<td>yb: yellow blend</td>
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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

*Ameria* (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

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**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

*Scentimental@* (rb) Striped 7.7 fragrant

*Sexy Rexy* (mp) 8.7

*Tuscan Sun* (ab) 7.8

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**Polyanthas**

*Anda* (dr)

*Cecile Brunner* (lp) 8.0

*C 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
Mariotta (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

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

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)