

# 2024 Roses in Review

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## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO EVALUATE NEW ROSES!

*First, a personal note.*

This is my 13<sup>th</sup> and final year as Roses in Review National Coordinator and *Handbook for Selecting Roses* Editor. It has been both fun and frustrating but always rewarding. Thanks go to Phil Schorr, who started me off on this journey, to Beth Smiley, who has been with me all the way, and to the five ARS Presidents who provided much encouragement. Most especially, thanks to you, the reviewers, who provided the input required for RIR and for the *Handbook*.

The 2024 Roses in Review Survey (RIR) marks the 99<sup>th</sup> time members of the American Rose Society will evaluate new rose introductions. A broad base of participation is needed to make this project worthwhile. We need your evaluations, whether you grow one of the varieties on the survey list or dozens of them. We welcome evaluations from you whether you are a new rose grower, a “garden” rose-grower or a seasoned veteran grower; whether you grow roses for your landscape and garden or if you also grow them to exhibit or arrange. We are happy to get reports from non-ARS members as well, so pass a copy of this insert along to all your rose-growing friends (and encourage them to try an ARS Trial Membership as well.)

Results of the survey will be included in the January/February 2025 issue of *American Rose* magazine and will determine ratings in the ARS *Handbook for Selecting Roses* as well. For these results to be meaningful, we need everyone to participate. So please, take a few minutes of your time to evaluate your new roses. We hope you will use the online reporting method at the ARS website, [www.rose.org](http://www.rose.org) but if you are not computer proficient, fill out and mail the form on the following pages (make photocopies if needed) to your district's RIR Coordinator. (See the list of Coordinators on the following pages to find your coordinator.) The website may not be ready until the end of June. Evaluate the roses you grow that are on the list of cultivars following the forms.

Note you are rating with whole numbers only with a minimum rating of 6 and a maximum of 10. All ratings entered for a rose will be averaged to show results in tenths; example 8.1.

Roses included in the survey have generally been on the market one-to-four years and are available commercially, although some on a limited basis.

This year again, we have included five “Special Group” cultivars which did not attain a rating first time through RIR. They are designated by (SG) in the listing. Hopefully we can get ratings for these older roses as well.

The next page contains some directions for using the online survey method or for completing your paper report form. Please, read the directions carefully to learn how the system works. One page lists the ARS districts with the name and address of the RIR Coordinator for each district. If you use the paper form, you should send it to the coordinator for your district. (If you do not live in the U.S., and want to use the paper form, please send it to me, Don Swanson, at the address given above.)

The online survey at [www.rose.org](http://www.rose.org) will close at end of day, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Any paper forms submitted must also be in the hands of your district coordinator by that date. We urge you to use the online system, it's easy and it saves everyone a lot of work transcribing forms. Please take the time to report on all the varieties you grow that are on the RIR survey list.

Last year, the NCNH district won the race for the most reporters yet again; I challenge the other large districts to try to beat them. The NCNH also won the highest ratio of reporters to ARS members with 28 percent participation. The NCNH district won bragging rights for their interest in growing new roses. Help make your district a winner in the survey with your participation and by encouraging your fellow rose-growers to participate.

If you are a Consulting Rosarian, check that box online or on the form. (If you are a CR and grow none of the listed roses, there is a check box online and on the form for you to report that.)

Please, participate! We want the benefit of your experience gained in growing these new roses to help others in selecting new roses for their gardens.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE RIR SURVEY

The first step, whether reporting online or on paper is to evaluate your roses that are on the survey list using the criteria below and recording it on the form for ease of reporting. Some of the information entered is not used at the National RIR level but will be used by your District RIR Coordinator in a district summary.

<b>Cultivar and Class</b>	Record the name and class of the rose (HT, FI, Min, S, etc).
<b>No. of Plants</b>	The number of plants of this variety that you grow (required).
<b>Years Grown</b>	The number of years you have grown this variety. The year planted counts as the first year (required).
<b>Garden Rating/Exhibition Rating</b>	Determine the ratings using the numerical system explained below. <u>The garden rating is required</u> , exhibition rating is optional.
<b>Winter Hardy</b>	Check “Yes”, “Borderline” or “No”. If this is a new variety that has not been through a winter of if winter hardiness is not an issue in your area mark, “Don’t Know”.
<b>Height</b>	Indicate if the cultivar grows “Tall”, “Medium” or “Short” for its type. A Hybrid Tea between two or three feet tall would probably be marked “Short” while a miniature of the same height would likely be “Tall”.
<b>Mildew-Blackspot</b>	Check the level of disease you experience for the cultivar in each column
<b>Fragrance</b>	Put a check at the appropriate level.
<b>Like-Dislike</b>	Note the things you find uniquely satisfying or frustrating about this rose.
<b>RATING THE ROSE</b>	
10.....	Outstanding – One of the best roses ever. This score should be seldom used.
9.....	Excellent – Has major positive features and minor negatives – top one percent.
8.....	Very Good Rose – You would recommend it without hesitation.
7.....	Average – Solid rose. Good features easily outweigh the negatives.
6.....	Below Average – You can find better roses easily.
<b>Garden Rating</b>	Consider the vigor and growth habit of the plant, the number of blooms and how quickly it repeats, the beauty and lasting quality of the blooms in the garden, fragrance, disease resistance, winter hardiness, and quality of the foliage. Don’t consider exhibition performance here. No ratings below 6.

## Exhibition Rating

Only consider the primary competition class for this rose. Consider the form of the bloom or spray, its lasting quality, substance, color, stem and foliage, all other attributes that make for a successful show rose. Include the ability to bloom at show time. No ratings below 6.

## Selecting a Rating Number

Determine which rating describes the performance of the rose. *Don't hesitate to use high or low ratings* if they accurately describe the performance of the rose. If your plant is doing badly but you have seen it doing well elsewhere, and you believe you received a bad plant, don't penalize the rose. It's better to leave it out or rate it as you have seen it grown elsewhere. You can consider how this rose performs against another, older, rose you grow. For instance, 'Mister Lincoln' is rated 8.3 (would be an 8 this year) – does the new rose grow better or worse than 'Mister Lincoln' for you? By the same reasoning, **if a rose is fragrant, or disease-prone, or tall or short, indicate that in the correct column don't just select average. Most roses are not average but rather above or below average.**

## FINALLY! REPORT YOUR SURVEY

We hope you will use the online reporting method – if not, mail your survey form to your district reporter at their address found on the accompanying map/address page.

## TO REPORT ONLINE

- Go to the American Rose Society web page [www.rose.org](http://www.rose.org).
- Click on “Roses in Review”.
- Read the “Instructions”.
- If you are reading the electronic version, click here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3K7HH5B>
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## STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS TO REVIEW YOUR ROSES

- **This is your first entry in this form for this year, so answer “Yes” to the first question.**
- Use the “Next” button to move through the screens.
- Be sure to **select your ARS district and answer the other questions**
- You will then **enter your name and address information**. If you grow as a household, enter both names – John and Mary Jones, or Mary Jones and Sam Smith. Please enter all of the requested information.
- If you grow none of the listed roses, check that box also then click “Submit” on the next screen, otherwise answer “Yes”.
- On the next page, select the correct group of letters for the rose you are reporting for example S-Z.
- Select the rose you are reporting on and click it. Enter your rating information. Click on “Submit” and repeat the process until you are done reporting.
- After the first rose reviewed, answer “No” to the first question and it will skip the full name info, you **MUST**, however, enter your name and zip code with each rose you review so we may keep your reviews together. You are not able to review your ratings after submitting them.
- **You must click on “Submit” to enter your information – after saying you have none to report, or after each rose review and after the review of your final rose. If you do not click “Submit” that data is not recorded.**
- When done entering and clicking “Submit” for your last review, close the browser page. You may return to review more roses later, answering “No” to the first question, but using the name and city you used in your first review.

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING  
IN THE ROSES IN REVIEW SURVEY!!**

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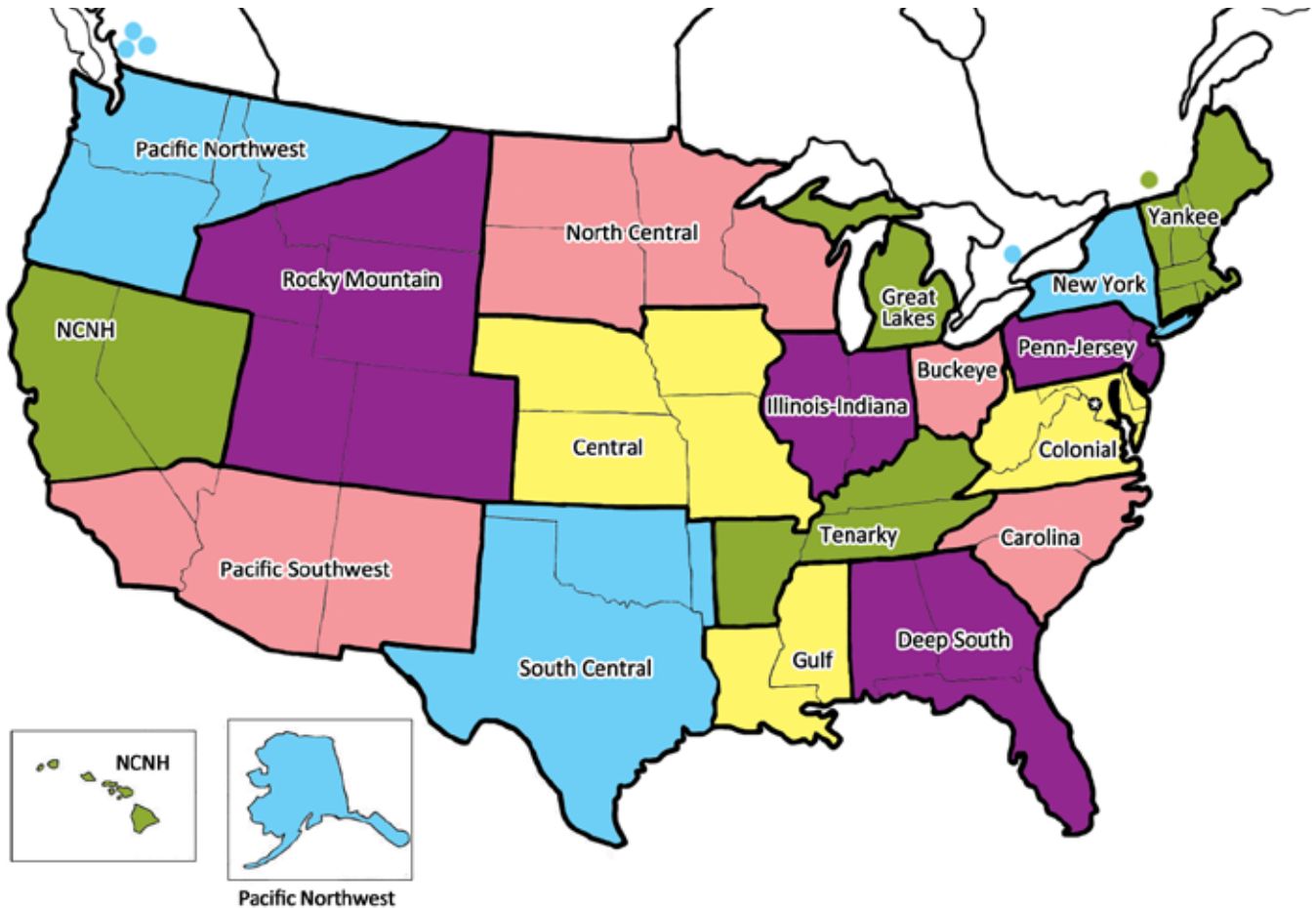
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# ROSES IN REVIEW RATING EVALUATION SHEET

Please use this evaluation form for rating your roses unless you are using the web site approach. You may photocopy this page. COMPLETED FORMS SHOULD BE IN THE HANDS OF YOUR DISTRICT RIR COORDINATOR BY SEPT. 26, 2024. Please fill out the forms as completely as possible, including any comments that will help us understand the performance of the roses.

Name(s) & Address: \_\_\_\_\_ CR? Y( ) N( )

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you spray regularly? Y( ) N( ) Do you exhibit? Y( ) N( )

Local Rose Society \_\_\_\_\_

( ) I (we) don't grow any of the roses listed. ARS Member? Y( ) N( )

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				Exhib. Rating			None ( )	( )	
What do you particularly like or dislike about this cultivar?									

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# ROSES IN REVIEW 2024 CULTIVARS

- A Lady Never Tells HT yb  
A Night of Magic CIMinFI rb  
A Night to Remember Min rb  
Abigail Rose HMsk mp  
Alaiza HT ab  
Alex Nobles HT mp  
Always Hope S mp  
American Maid HT dp  
Amour de Molene HT op  
Amy HT ly  
Amy's Bouquet Pol pb  
Anastasia HT w  
Angel Kisses F w  
Angel's Delight FI w  
Anne Marie HT pb  
Arthur of Newberry T w  
Ashley Eng op  
Ashley Elizabeth Min mr  
Aubade HT ly  
Aurora Borealis S pb  
Ay Caramba F ob
- Back in Black FI dr  
Ball Gown HT mp  
Bee Heaven FI ly  
Bees Love Me Pol w  
Beverly Ann Clay Gr ab  
Beyond Fabulous! FI dy  
Bleeding Heart MinFI rb  
Bleeds Maroon S rb  
Blue for You F m (SG)  
Blushing Drift Gc pb  
Blushing Lavender Gr m  
Brazos Belle S ob  
Brindabella Crimson Knight F dr  
Brindabella Dawn F lp  
Brindabella First Lady F mp  
Brindabella Pink Princess F mp  
Brindabella Purple Prince F m  
Brindabella Red Empress F dr  
Brindabella Touch of Pink F lp  
Burlesque S m  
Buttercream Drift Gc ly  
Buttefly Bliss S w
- Captivating MinFI yb  
Cathedral Bells HT m  
Chantilly Cream HT ly  
Cherry Float LCI dr  
Cherrytown HT pb  
Chiffon Eng w
- Clovie HT op  
Colour Cocktail S yb  
Connie's Sandstorm F m  
Coral Beauty HT op  
Coral Lions-Rose FI ab  
Coral Miracle S mp  
Corky Thatcher S op  
Cosmic Clouds S dp  
Crawfish Etouffee S r  
Cup of Gold LCI dy
- Dancing Cloud R mr  
Deep Passion MinFI dr  
Delightful MinFI pb  
Devotion HT ab  
Diane Sommers Min pb  
Dmitri Hovorostovsky S w  
Doc Pol mp (SG)  
Dr Malcom Manners HG mr  
Dottie MinFI dr  
Double Ambre F ob  
Double Easy Orange F ob  
Dream Street HT mp  
Dreamcatcher MinFI rb  
Dylan Rose F lp
- Easy Fashion LCI pb  
Elegance MinFI dr  
Emily Brontë Eng pb  
Eternal Hope Min dy  
Euphoria HT ab  
Eureka Min w  
Eustacia Vye Eng op  
Eyes of Fire MinFI yb  
Ezvela Pol w
- Faithfully Yours MinFI pb  
Fiesta Veranda F yb  
Fire Storm MinFI ob  
Flaming Desire Min mr  
Flaming Hot Cheetos Min dr  
Flaming June LCI ob  
Flaming Star HT yb  
Forever Amber F ab  
Forever Yours HT mr  
Ft Worth Blues S m  
Fragrant Blush S lp  
Fragrant Pink Sunrosa S mp
- Gabriel Oak Eng dp  
George Oliva HMult pb
- Georgie Bee HT rb  
George's 90th Birthday HT ob  
Gold and Great FI dy  
Golden Opportunity LCI dy  
Golden Trendsetter FI my  
Good Morning Gorgeous MinFI dr  
Grandma's Red S dr  
Grus an Freedom F dp
- Hawaiian Sunset MinFI yb  
He is Risen Min ob  
Healthcare Hero MinFI pb  
Heart of Fire F yb  
Heavenly F mp  
Heavenly Ascent LCI ly  
Heavenly Scented HT pb  
Hera's Song HMusk pb  
Heroic Love MinFI rb  
Hey Hottie Min r  
Hi Honey F ab  
Hot n Zesty Min ob
- It's a Keeper MinFI yb  
It's Gorgeous F dy  
It's So Yummy CI MinFI yb  
Itsy Bitsy Peach Min ab
- Kaleidoscope Girl FI yb  
Karrie's Rose HG ob  
Kinzie's Charm HT yb
- Lanjique S my  
Larger than Life HT my  
Lasting Memories S dp  
Laus Deo FI rb  
Lemontini HT yb  
Like No Other F m  
Liz's Charm HT m  
Love and Passion Min rb  
Love and Romance MinFI rb  
Love's Promise HT mr (SG)  
Luna Love Gc w
- Mme Jean LCI ab  
Magic Celebration S pb  
Magical Moment LCI rb  
Magnolia Memories S pb  
Make Me Blush HT yb  
Mandarin Sunset FI ob  
Mango Blush MinFI ob  
Mansfield Park FI lp

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Marc Chagall S pb  
Marmalade Dream S ob  
Mars Wagar Eng m  
Marshmallow Bubblegum MinFl pb  
Mary Lou Whitney HT lp  
Maui Sunrise HT ab  
Meteor Fl yb  
Midnight Fire Min r  
Miss Grace S pb  
Miss Manners Gr dp  
Miss Pretty Fl mp  
Morning Glory Fl my  
Muzi-Lucia HT pb  
My Best Friend Fl my  
My First Crush Min pb  
My First Love Min rb

Never Been Redder F dr  
Nitty Gritty Peach Gc ab  
Nitty Gritty Pink Gc dp  
Nitty Gritty Red Gc mr  
Nitty Gritty White Gc w  
Nitty Gritty Yellow Gc my

1000 Wishes S op  
Orange Delight Sunrosa S ob  
Orchid Kisses Min m  
Oso Easy Double Pink Gc dp  
Over the Edge F yb

Palatina Traviata Fl dr  
Paradise Beach Eng ab  
Parfum Tropical HT pb  
Passionate Love MinFl rb  
Peach Melba LCI ob  
Peach Perfection F ab  
Peppermint Party LCI w  
Petite Knock Out Min mr  
Petite Peach Min ab  
Phyllis Diller Gr dy  
Pictue Perfect HT pb  
Pink Miracle S dp  
Pink Pearl Min pb  
Pink Snowflakes S pb  
Pink Sunblaze Min pb  
Pink Tumbleweed Min dp  
Pop Art Gr yb  
Powder Keg Min m  
Praireville Prince Eng ab  
Princess Buttercup S ly  
Pure Joy MinFl pb

Que Lindo Min pb  
Queen of the Night Fl m

R B G MinFl yb  
Radiant Love MinFl rb  
Raspberry Cupcake HT mp  
Ray Ponton Pol m  
Red Seaside Swirl HRg mr  
Red Sunrosa S mr  
Reminiscent Coral S op  
Reminiscent Crema S w  
Reminiscent Pink S mp  
Ringo All-Star S pb  
Ringo Double Pink S pb  
Rise Up Amberness S ab  
Rise Up Lilac Days S m  
Rise Up Ringo S yb  
Rocket HT mr  
Romeo HT or  
Rosemantic Cream Fl w  
Rosemantic Fuschia F dp  
Rosemantic Pink F mp  
Rosemantic Red F mr  
Rouge Rhapsody HT mr  
Royal Sunrise S yb  
Royal Swan S w  
Ruby Red Gr dr  
Ruthie's Rose MinFl w

Sacrificial Love MinFl dr  
Saffron Summer S my  
Shanay Min yb  
Silas Marner Eng mp  
Silver Lining F m  
Soft and Sweet Fl w  
South Park Eng ab  
Spice of Life MinFl rb  
Stan Henry S ab  
Star-Crossed Lovers HT pb  
Strawberry Delight MinFl rb  
Strawberry Kisses MinFl rb  
Sui Mei Ren T pb  
Sultry Night Eng m  
Summer Heat S ob  
Summer Splash MinFl ob  
Sunblaze Lemon Min ly  
Sunblaze Peach Min ab  
Sunset Horizon Gr yb  
Surprise MinFl yb  
Sweet Baby S lp  
Sweet Delight HT pb

Sweet Eloise LCI pb  
Sweet Love of Mine F pb  
Sweet Madame Blue Eng m  
Sweet Pegge S dr  
Sweet Rose of Mine F pb  
Swizzle Min yb

Tangerine Flames LCI ob  
The Country Parson Eng my  
The Divine Miss M HT w  
The Finest HT w  
The Philosopher's Rose HT pb  
Top Cream HT w  
Touch of Heaven F lp  
Trinket MinFl pb  
True Devotion LCI mp  
True Endearment Fl rb  
True Perfume S pb  
True Serenity HT mr  
True Spirit S dr  
Twilight Princess S m  
Twinkle Little Star MinFl lp  
Twist 'n Shout Min yb

Unfailing Love Min m

Vernon Rickard MinFl pb  
Vibrant Vonnie HT rb

Warms My Heart Min ob  
Wedding Piano HT w  
Wellenspiel S lp  
White Lies F w  
White Princess HT w  
Wicked Sister Eng pb  
Wildcard F dy

Xander Pol w  
Xoxo MinFl rb

Yellow Delight Sunrosa S dy  
Yukon Sun S ly