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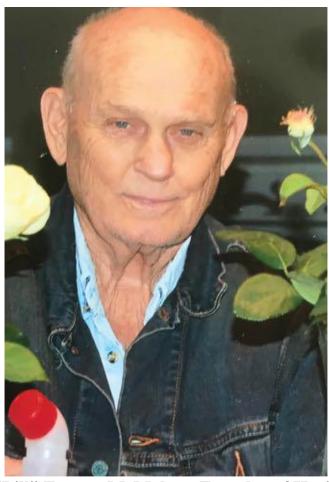
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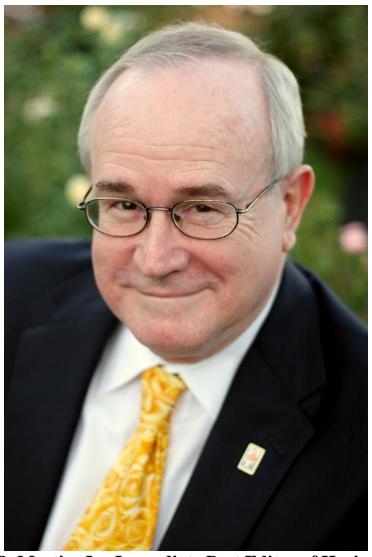
The Legacy of Horizon Roses Continues...

Back in 1983, a Tenarky District newsletter editor, Silver Honor medal winner and highly successful exhibitor named Bill McMahon of Bowling Green, Kentucky started a publication he named "The Autumn Checklist of Horizon Roses". It was a two-page mimeographed document distributed from the Tenarky District, and his objective was to provide candid reports on the exhibition potential of newly released roses. This was not to be duplicative of "Roses In Review" because the focus was on capacity of the newest roses to succeed on the show table as opposed to their suitability as garden plants.



William "Bill" Eugene McMahon, Founder of Horizon Roses December 8, 1926 – February 18, 2020

"The Autumn Checklist of Horizon" Roses quickly elicited interest not only from the Tenarky District but from other areas of the country. By popular demand, in a short time Bill McMahon expanded its availability to a national audience. He recruited a group of regional editors who subsequently built a group of reporters spreading throughout the nation. Readers began referring to the publication as simply "Horizon Roses", and after repeated requests to do so, Bill surrended to public opinions and renamed the publication "Horizon Roses".



Robert B. Martin, Jr., Immediate Past Editor of Horizon Roses July 12, 1944 – November 26, 2021

Bob Martin, American Rose Society Past President, award-winning writer, judge, and exceptional exhibitor, became a reporter for Horizon Roses in 1992. He was subsequently promoted to the position of Southwest Regional Editor in 1995. In 2006, Bill McMahon retired from Horizon Roses; and at Bill's request, Bob Martin took over the position as National Editor. Bob Martin published 16 subsequent editions of Horizon Roses and eventually made the publication available as a PDF download as well as a pamphlet and hard copy book. He held the position of National Editor until his untimely passing subsequent to the publication of Horizon Roses 2021.



Suzanne M. Horn, Current National Editor of New Horizon Roses

In 2022, the torch as National Editor was passed to Suzanne Horn, a longtime protégé and ardent admirer of Bob Martin and his co-editor on the 2021 American Rose Society's Annual Magazine. Suzanne is a national leval exhibitor, judge, writer and contributing editor to The American Rose magazine. She is the 2023 recipient of the Guy Blake Hedrick Jr. Award for excellence in exhibiting and the 2023 Silver Honor Medal recipient for the Pacific Southwest District.

With all respect for the groundwork laid by Bill McMahon and Bob Martin, Suzanne along with the wonderful regional editors and contributing writers in this issue move forward to provide exhibitors around the country with reviews of the latest and greatest show roses in "New Horizon Roses 2023".

The 2023 edition marks the twelfth edition of the publication of this periodical in an electronic version both for the Kindle and as a pdf. It also marks the fifth year of publication in a paperback edition through Amazon. The reasons for this change have been previously explained, including the cost of printing and postage, and the editorial problems in fitting all the comments into a compact little mailer. These were very sound reasons to be sure. However, the best reason for the change has been the ability to include color photographs, an addition that continues to receive praise from the readers, as well as some very nice contributions from reporters.

A Farewell to Exhibiting Great Louise Coleman

December 25, 1933 – September 29, 2022

The American Rose Society lost an icon this past year when exhibiting great Louise Coleman passed away on September 29, 2022. I met Louise online in 2003 in a chat room called 'Rosylou' after her screen name. I had already become a fan of hers after seeing her interviewed in a documentary called "A Rose Story" and my admiration for her only grew in the years that followed. She warned me that exhibiting would become an obsession, but I was already hooked.

By way of background, Louise and her husband Tom joined the ARS in 1969. Louise became a CR in 1973 and an accredited ARS Horticulture Judge in 1973. Her garden consisted of 450 rose bushes of at least 50 varieties. For more than 40 years she was a member and author for the American Rose Society, President of the Westchester Rose Society, and wrote many articles for "The American Rose" magazine. One memorable highlight of her life was when she and husband Tom had tea with Queen Elizabeth II in the royal rose garden at Buckingham Palace.

Louise and Tom were an outstanding exhibiting team until Tom passed away in the 90's. After that Louise carried the outstanding exhibiting tradition alone. Louise and Tom won many ARS National Trophies in the decades when their competitors were greats including the Benardellas, Ballins, Martins, Prabhus and Cairns Desamero. Louise and Tom won the following National ARS Trophies: 1976 Rosedale Bowl, 1977 C. Eugene Pfister Memorial Trophy, 1980 T. Allen Kirk Perpetual Trophy, 1981 The National Pacific Rose Society Challenge Trophy, 1982 The National Pacific Rose Society Challenge Trophy, 1988 The Melvin S. Hershey Bowl, and the 1990 C. Eugene Pfister Memorial Trophy. She also won a total of 67 Queens of Show.



Louise Coleman with top exhibitor John Mattia at ARS Banquet

After Tom passed away, Louise won the New Zealand Kiwi National ARS Trophy in 1996. She continued to win many District and local trophies over the years and of course more Queens of Show.

Louise mentored many new rosarians over the years. She was the first editor of the American Rose Society Exhibitors Quarterly back in 1985. From 1980 to 1985 she was District Director of the ARS New York District, and she was awarded the Silver Honor Medal for her service in 1986. She also received the Outstanding Horticultural Judge Award in 1987. In her memory the ARS New York District has dedicated their 2023 District Convention and Rose Show to her.

Louise has always shared information with other rosarians and believed in mentoring the rosarians and getting young people interested in exhibiting. She received the Outstanding Consulting Rosarian Award from the New York District in 1976. Louise set the example by exhibiting over 5 different decades. The passion she had for exhibiting over this extended period of time is regarded by many as extraordinary. She truly spent a lifetime mentoring, showing, sharing, and teaching rosarians. Her outstanding record was culminated with what has been called her "Triple Play", winning the ARS Gold Honor Medal, the Klima Medal, and in 2019 the Guy Blake Hedrick Jr. Award, celebrating her lifetime achievement in growing, exhibiting, judging and educating rosarians in the art of exhibiting. She was one of the greats and she will be forever missed.



Louise Coleman receiving the ARS Gold Honor Medal Pictured with Laura Seabaugh, Marilyn Wellan & Pat Shanley

Preface

The Fall Season is upon us and the thoughts of the rose exhibitor turn to the future of the garden and the return of the rose shows to the 2023 calendars. In the spirit of our shared anticipation for the upcoming shows, I offer you some encouraging show lyrics to charge our collective batteries for the upcoming season.



There's no business like show business
Like no business I know
Everything about it is appealing
Everything that traffic will allow
Nowhere could you get that happy feeling
When you are stealing that extra bow

There's no people like show people
They smile when they are low
Yesterday they told you, you would not go far
That night you open and there you are
Next day on your dressing room they've hung a star
Let's go on with the show!

There's no people like show people
They smile when they are low
Even with a turkey that you know will fold
You may be stranded out in the cold
But still you wouldn't change it for a sack of gold
Let's go on with the show, let's go on with the show!

~ "There's No Business Like Show Business" ~ by Irving Berling, written for the 1946 musical Annie Get Your Gun and later in the 1954 movie of the same name, where it is notably sung by Ethel Merman as the main musical number.

A few preliminary comments to readers ...

New roses must come and nonperforming roses must go. Decisions must once again be made, and, for the 41st consecutive year, New Horizon Roses is here to help to share the collective knowledge and experience of the nation's top exhibitors on the exhibition potential of the newest hybrid teas, grandifloras, floribundas, miniflora, miniature, polyantha, shrub and climbing roses.

Exhibitors are among the people who grow the best roses. As evidenced in these pages, we are continually looking for beautiful new show roses. At the same time, all of our gardens are different, and our experiences are worth sharing. Rose exhibitors are also the nicest people I know, and they continue to show through their reports freely given that they are willing to share what they have learned with anyone who wants to learn.

I encourage readers to take note of the various locations of the reporters as they offer their opinions and comments on the performance of these new roses. A rose that is disease resistant on the East Coast, where blackspot is prevalent, may not be disease resistant on the West Coast, where plants more often encounter powdery mildew, and vice versa. A rose whose blooms may be too small to exhibit in warmer regions may be great for exhibition in regions with cooler climates. In reading over reporter comments, I note that a particular climbing miniflora is not climbing at the East Coast but is a literal octopus on the West Coast. Another miniflora is noted as being almost too big on the West Coast, while an East Coast exhibitor laments that the blooms are too small. So, take into consideration the location of the individual making the observations and apply them to your region.

I also observe that many reporters often grow only one plant of the reporting variety, and that plant did not do well or survive winter. Exhibiting great Dr. Tommy Cairns advised me when I was just a "rookie rosarian" that I should grow three plants of a new variety in order to properly evaluate it. Plants are often like human siblings, where one is stronger or more vigorous than another. For instance, I grow six plants of the floribunda 'Celestial Night'. Some are much more vigorous than others. Just because one plant has failed, it may not totally invalidate this variety for a particular region. Of course, that's why we have so many reporters!

A number of roses reviewed in this publication were previously in commerce overseas and have now been released in the United States for what is the first time. As such, exhibitors and prospective exhibitors, may be considering buying them. Therefore, as has been customary in past years in Horizon Roses, we report on new releases; and new releases for the first time in the U.S. of old roses count as new roses.

Here and there in this publication I have incorporated some previous comments from our former editor, the late Bob Martin. Bob was growing many of the newest roses, some of which he hybridized. Lacking many reports on these roses to date, Bob's insightful comments and observations bear inclusion in connection with a number of the new roses. Lastly, a number of new roses did not garner any comments from our reporters. After much consideration, I decided to include photos and basic information about these roses so that our readers can be apprised of their introduction and availability.

We all continue the quest to find and prioritize the beauty of the show rose. That is the direction in which New Horizon Roses and its reporters continue to travel. If you are an exhibitor and have not been a reporter before, I invite you to join us next year for "New Horizon Roses 2024". In the interim, enjoy the photos and comments from our current contributors!

Box Score

The annual "Box Score" below was initiated by Bill McMahon and continued by Bob Martin. It summarizes the 2023 reports received. The 2023 Edition of New Horizon Roses brings us a total of 1,601 reports. 309 varieties (up from 272 last year) were reviewed by the reporters including 62 hybrid teas, 14 grandifloras, 58 floribundas, 5 polyanthas, 42 minifloras, 62 miniatures, 56 shrubs and 6 climbers. Also, photos and basic information from the hybridizers were provided for 40 new varieties for which we had no reviews.

Varieties with the most reports by class were as follows:

Hybrid Tea	Stiletto	27
Grandiflora	Sweet Spirit	14
Floribunda	It's Gorgeous	17
Polyantha	Pretty Polly Pink	15
Miniflora	Mango Blush	47
Miniature	Bob Martin	36
Shrub	Alfred Sisley	12
Climbers	Golden Opportunity	2

Publication

For the 2023 edition, I have included 355 photos (up from last year's 328), representing most of the varieties on which reports were received. I have also continued with efforts to improve the quality of the pictures, to which I credit a number of contributors, including those taken with my new Google Pixel 7 Pro phone. Considering the quality of the photographs, it is again useful to remind readers that, in the case of show roses, a picture is not worth a thousand comments. But it is worth a lot when considered along with the comments on the rose. Photos preserve a moment in time and, in the case of roses, often that moment when the rose looks its very best, a moment that may be fleeting or infrequent. But one good bloom every once in a while is not enough to make a rose a great exhibition rose.

Reporters

The 2023 edition of "New Horizon Roses" contains comments by 110 reporters. Of the number reporting this year, some reporters are "new", a few not so new but returning after a break, and most are regular Horizon contributors. The reporters are from 28 different States and show the national character of the reports. I have also added a few comments from hybridizers on new roses just being introduced for informational purposes.

AEN – American Exhibition Name

In October of 2019, the ARS Board unanimously adopted a proposal by then President Bob Martin to reform the AEN process. As a consequence, the acronym "AEN" as used in American Rose Society publications and communications now means the "American Exhibition Name". Further, the assignment of an AEN shall be made under guidelines that provide in general, that the AEN assigned shall to the extent practicable be the name under which the rose is available or otherwise generally known in the United States.

The implementation of that change continues to be underway and will be accelerated with the release of the re-built Modern Roses database. In the meantime, I now list roses reviewed in New Horizon Roses by their expected AEN under this policy. To ease the transition, I have continued to provided cross-references.

The Honor Roll

For those unfamiliar with this designation, the Honor Roll was originally established by Bill McMahon and continued by Bob Martin as editor. It consists of roses that have received high ratings in past issues of the publication by exhibitors from a wide cross section of the country. Honor Roll roses are generally considered "bankers" by exhibitors, i.e. the consistent top exhibition varieties. In the past, to maintain Honor Roll status, the rose has to remain in the top 40 show roses in the national show results. We do not continue to report on varieties that have achieved this honor.

New Additions to The Honor Roll

Since the late Bob Martin kept the records of the national, district and local show results on his legendary website Roseshow.com, he was always able to determine the top 40 show roses in the national show results. Until such time as another individual takes up the mantle of reporting national show results, I am going to make a few executive decisions at this time and a few very worthy roses to the Honor Roll. The selection of these roses was assisted by input I received from consulting with top exhibitors around the country as well as members of the American Rose Society's Horticultural Exhibitors' Committee and the Miniature and Miniflora Committee. In the interim, no roses on the existing Honor Roll will be deleted at this time.

This year's addition to the Miniature Rose Honor Roll is Chessie's Favorite. 'Chessie's Favorite' is an open pollinated offspring of 'Memphis King'. Hybridized by Barbara Zimmerman, it was a 2016 AOE winner thanks to its perfectly-round, dark red, velvet blooms with extraordinary show form. It has won Queens from coast to coast and has garned great comments from our Horizon reporters over the years. It has certainly earned its place on the Honor Roll.



'Chessie's Favorite' Photo by Tom Mayhew



'Celestial Night' Photo by Suzanne Horn

This year's addition to the Floribunda Honor Roll is 'Celestial Night'. 'Celestial Night' is a superb rose that is the recipient of the American Rose Society's Members' Choice Award for 2023. The wine-colored blooms have a raspberry reverse and a mild, fruity fragrance. The blooms are cuppy and old fashioned in form. This rose has it all - great color, excellent form, high disease resistance, and winter hardiness. It has been winning trophies including Floribunda Queen all over the country, and our Horizon reporters have had nothing but high praise for it since its release. As such, it now takes its place on the Honor Roll.



'Celestial Night', PSW District King of Show Photo by Kristine Russell, shown by Suzanne Horn

This year for the first time climbing roses have been added to the reviews in New Horizon Roses. As such, it is appropriate to recognize the longtime excellence of two outstandinging climbers. The first addition to the Climber Honor Roll is an exceptional bright red single that has been topping trophy tables across the country for 56 years, 'Altissimo'.



'Altissimo' Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

'Altissimo' is a large flowered climber introduced by Delbard/Chabert in 1966. It has big velvety blood-red single blooms that have bright golden stamens and are produced in clusters. The broad, spreading shrub has dark green, shiny foliage, is a prolific bloomer and repeats well. It received the Royal Horticultural Society's Award of Garden Merit in 1993, and it topped the Climber Rankings of Roseshow.com for decades. It is a welcome first addition to the Climber Honor Roll.



'Altissimo' English Box Photo by Baldo Villegas

The second addition to the Climber Honor Roll is another outstanding rose that has been topping trophy tables for 23 years, 'Fourth of July'.



'Fourth of July' Photo by Bill Kozemchak

'Fourth of July'e was hybridized by master breeder Tom Carruth and is a cross of two exceptional roses, 'R. Roller Coaster' x 'Altissimo'. It is one of the most eye-catching and beautiful of all the striped roses. It presents abundant sprays of big, semi-double deep red flowers striped with bright clean white. It was introduced into commerce in 1999 by Weeks and promptly won an All-American Rose Award (AARS) in its debut year, the first climber in a quarter century to do so. It has been a great show rose all over the country since its introduction, and it topped the Climber Rankings of Roseshow.com for decades. Tom Carruth once opined that of all the wonderful roses he has hybridized, he is most proud of 'Fourth of July'. And well he should be. As such, we welcome 'Fourth of July' into the initial year of the Climber Honor Roll.

Hybrid Teas

Honor Roll: Black Magic, Cajun Moon, Crescendo, Dona Martin, Dublin, Gemini, Hot Princess, Let Freedom Ring, Louise Estes, Marilyn Monroe, Marlon's Day, Moonstone, Mr. Caleb, Randy Scott, St. Patrick, Signature, Touch of Class, Veterans' Honor, Sunny Sundays and Ring of Fire.



'A Lady Never Tells' Photo by Jason Capote

A LADY NEVER TELLS, ob, Jalbert, 2023 [Select]

Capote (NY): This is a new rose from Brad Jalbert that was grown by JC Bakker and Son up in Canada and sent out to random nurseries across the country. So far it is an unusual color of orange that blushes red, and the photos online show it with perfect exhibition form. The breeder says that it should exhibit. So far, I have not seen it once give me a show worthy flower since it blows open fast, but then again, I just planted it a few weeks ago so it probably needs more time to mature. The color on this one is so gorgeous; I am hoping that this problem fixes itself. I'm keeping my fingers crossed.



'Alex Nobles' Photo by Steve Singer

ALEX NOBLES, p, Prabhu, 2023 [Wisc]

Prabhu (NC): Alex Noble is a vigorous grower, just like its parent, Let Freedom Ring. Grows quite tall even on won root and it is an easy to root plant. Blooms very freely. But it takes two to three years to get established. Blooms have very good form and size, although not quite as large as the parent. Many petals and holds well. In my garden it is not prone to any diseases. **Singer (WI):** New from Satish Prabhu. A pink sport of Zach Nobles.



'Amber Waves'
Photo by Bob Martin

AMBER WAVES, ab, Greenwood, 2019

Cooney (CA): Nice color occasional form, gave it an extra year to produce. Now gone. **Greenwood (CA):** Lovely apricot color that will occasionally present exhibition quality blossoms. Best when shown in the open class. Plants are vigorous and resistant to mildew and black spot. Quick to rebloom. **Martin (CA):** An unreleased rose from Chris Greenwood with clean apricot blooms of good size, opening with some form that quickly disappears. Open blooms have a wavy edge and bright stamens making this a candidate for the open bloom but it is unlikely to ever win royalty. **Strong (CA):** Doesn't bloom enough to be useful. Shy bloomer here.



'American Maid' Photo by Steven Roussell

AMERICAN MAID, dp, Roussell, 2019 [K&M]

Abshire (LA): 2nd yr. plant is blooming more but necks are a little weak. Deep pink with exhibition form and a light fragrance. **Bertch (FL):** 1st yr. plant is a slow grower. Color & exhibition form remained consistent. Refrigeration closed it up. However, it opened once I took it out. **Flynn (LA):** deep pink, large blooms with exhibition form as a single bloom and as a spray. Strong, straight stems make it last for 5-6 days. Good color even in the summer heat. No signs of blackspot in my regular spray garden. **Huffer GA):** Deep pink, 5" blooms with excellent form and long, straight stems. Definitely has exhibition potential. **Koch (TX):** Beautiful pink color that is slow to fade. Vigorous growth in my garden. Non-stop blooms with plenty of petals and good substance. This rose will show. **Roussell (LA):** Hot pink with moderate fragrance. 3 x 5 ft plant with 4-5" blooms. Great color and spiral form. **Shockley (AR):** The Maid is a big beautiful rose with lots of petals and can have good form. A better garden rose than exhibition. **Ware (TX):** Too new to tell. First year plants taking off slowly.



'Amy' Photo by Wayne Geltz

AMY, ly, Smith, 2021 [Silver Run Roses]

Geltz (PA): The bloom has plenty of light-yellow petals with spiral form. The plant is vigorous with straight canes and exhibition potential. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful light-yellow rose from John Smith, named for Captain Eddie Krauss' daughter, has very good form and substance, and is growing well. Pavlovich (AZ): This is a remarkable, high centered yellow rose hybridized by John Smith. Before the introduction of 'Amy' in 2022, there was only one yellow hybrid tea we could grow for exhibition in our garden with 'St. Patrick' because of the intense heat we have each summer. 'Amy' has long stems and dark foliage which is in proportion to the blooms as it holds its center for a week-plus. This is an elite yellow rose for exhibitors. We have been growing it for two years, and it is special. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): This is our first year with this rose. It is a very clean rosebush and has had no issues with blackspot or powdery mildew. The bloom has good form, but it is slow to repeat in our yard. We will keep evaluating and hope it continues to grow. Singer (WI): Beautiful yellow blooms with good form; really like it for show and garden!



'Anne Vanderlove'
Photo courtesy of Garden.org

ANNE VANDERLOVE, ob, Adam, 2020 [Pal]

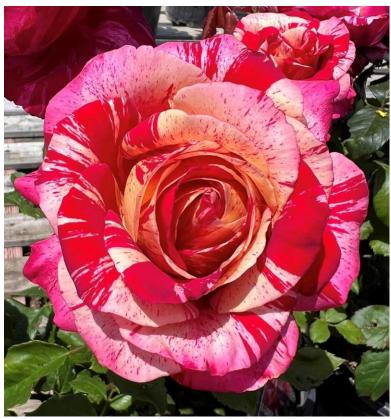
Borrmann (**PA**): Shovel pruned. Lovely color and fragrance, but every bloom melted in heat above 80 degrees. Perhaps a rose for Alaska?? **Huffer** (**GA**): Medium blooms on long stems. Quite a few of the blooms are show quality but mostly a nice garden cultivar. **Strong** (**CA**): New for me, but so far blooms are not big enough to be used for exhibition. Think Dick Clark sized blooms. Clear orange color is nice though and form is acceptable.



'Aubade' Photo by Jason Capote

AUBADE, ly, Kriloff, 2019 [Palatine]

Capote (NY): This rose lives up to the expectations created by Kriloff's other masterpiece 'Touch of Class.' So far, Aubade has given me perfectly formed exhibition style flowers each time in a gentle light-yellow color. It appears to be disease resistant with glossy green foliage, and the petals a starchy helping it to hold its form in high heat. It even sets out excellent sprays. This rose is sure to be a top exhibition rose when it matures.



'Avant Garde' Photo by Peter Alonso

AVANT GARDE, rb, Delbard, 2023 [Cert]

Ekuan (CA): I obtained this rose earlier this year. So far, I have not been impressed. Susceptible to powdery mildew. **Huffer (GA):** Eye-popping, large, red and white striped, florist rose that will show. Hoping for longer stems next year. **Krause (TX):** New this spring, bright red and white stripes, hybrid tea by Delbard, hope it will show. **Roussell (LA):** Nice spiral form that holds for days. Moderate fragrance. Beautiful rose.



'Ball Gown' aka 'Romantica Ball Gown' Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

BALL GOWN, mp, Meilland, 2024 [Edmunds]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Horn (CA): SNEAK PEEK! This rose is a pre-release from Edmunds Roses. **Edmunds:** Luxuriously attired in romantic, old-fashioned blooms, this rose is ready for her role as the belle of your garden. Her blooms are a captivating shade of medium pink, with a perfume that ensures she won't be easily forgotten. Not a diva, her dark green glossy foliage exhibits good disesase resistance. Part of the Romantica series of roses.



'Beautiful Day' Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

BEAUTIFUL DAY, ab, Fryer, 2020 [Cert, Edmunds]

Bagley (TX): Very pretty pastel blooms for bouquets. Blooms are too heavy for the canes. Plenty of blooms in hot weather. Capote (NY): So far this rose is in its second year, but has been very bloom stingy with me. In two years, I only got a grand total of 4 blooms. With that being said, the blooms have perfect form every time! The bush is also exceptionally winter hardy and highly disease resistant. When I could not spray last summer because I had COVID, this was one of the few bushes that did not get any disease. It also survived the flash freeze with no winter kill and it is growing outdoors in a pot. I hope that as it gets older it produces many more blooms. I know that if I had blooms to bring to a show, it can seriously compete for a top prize. Clark (CA): Great name. Good color, slow to repeat and stingy with the blooms so far. They are large, but not well formed yet. Roussell (LA): Apricot/yellow with large flowers. Nice big rose with moderate fragrance and good form. Shimoda (CA): Underperforming, small plant, flowers not exhibition form. Tilley (WA): Grow at your own risk as my 2 plants are very sluggish growers.



'Cathedral Bells' aka 'Sister Emmanuel' or 'Soeur Emmanuel' Photo courtesy of Select Roses

CATHEDRAL BELLS (SISTER EMMANUEL), pink, Delbard, 2022 [Cert, Chamblee's]

Capote (NY): This is not a new rose but rather a new introduction to the United States after being introduced previously by Palatine about a decade ago. It is highly disease resistant, fragrant, and winter hardy. It has been growing in the front of my house for the last 5 years. This is a no spray area in a pot that gets no winter protection, and it does just fine. However, its petals are flimsy. An excellent rose for the no-spray gardener, but not for the serious exhibitor. Myers (NC): Good grower once it gets established. Blooms in sprays on strong stems. Pleasant fragrance. Roussell (LA): Delbard lavender, English style blooms in small clusters that will show well. Very fragrant. A real winner. Strong (CA): New here, but I hear good things about it on the Facebook front. Looking forward to seeing it perform. Tilley (WA): Old fashioned blooms are really fragrant and have nice long-lasting old-fashioned blooms in sprays of 3-4 blooms on sturdy stems. I imagine it will show well in the Large-flowered spray categories, especially the fragrance category.



'Chandos Beauty' Photo Courtesy of Harkness Roses

CHANDOS BEAUTY, ab, Harkness, 2023 [Select]

Yuen (BC): Very vigorous, shiny leaves, upright grower, strong stems, very healthy. Disease resistant, beautiful blooms and VERY fragrant, HIGHLY recommended. Introduced in the U.K. in 2005 by Harkness & introduced in 2023 by Select. **Select Roses:** The blooms are gorgeous, full, lare and well-shaped. The color is in shades of soft pink with cream, and blessed with a strong rich deep rose perfume. Foliage is a handsome thick glossy green. Very limited availability. **HMF:** Cream, salmon-pink shading with pink highlights. Strong, cinnamon, clove, fruity-raspberry fragrance. 40-80 petals.



'Chantilly Cream'
Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

CHANTILLY CREAM, ly, Bedard, 2021 [Spring Hill, Chamblee's]

Bonfigli (CA): So far, I'm not impressed, as it has only produced a couple of blooms, both of which had vegetative centers and poor form. Eastman (WA): Planted 2022. Pretty bloom, more yellow than cream. Slow to get established in my garden. No black spot or evidence of other fungus. Not an exhibition rose. Garrett (TN): Our 1st year plant died due to harsh winter, but we replaced it and so far we are seeing some decent blooms, but they need more size. Huff (CA) Vigorous grower, long canes, glossy leaves. Going to be a good rose. **Huffer (GA):** Died after the freeze. I will not be replacing it as it was nothing to write home about. Lonanecker (CA): The plant has only been in the ground for 7 months, so I need to give it more time. healthy foliage, shorter stems. I currently have 5 nice buds. had 1 bloom earlier this year which was nice. I will have to get back to you. McBrien (MO): Has pretty flowers, but not doing much in the heat. Myers (NC): Good bloom size. Very fragrant. Blooms singly and in sprays. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): This is the second year for this rose in our garden. It has a very clean light-colored bloom. The form is good and the growth so far has been moderate. The foliage is a nice dark green and so far resistant to black spot. In summer heat the blooms get smaller. The Fall blooms when the weather was cooler were bigger. All the blooms are a nice clean color. Roussell (LA): Beautiful, ruffly yellow with big, fragrant blooms. Healthy plant. Great new yellow. Shimoda (CA): Acquired 2022, beautiful large flowers, healthy plant overall, lovely yellow/white blend and lovely shaped rose but not for exhibition.



'Cherie' Photo by Fred Wright

CHERIE, yb, F. Wright, 2020 [K&M]

Tilley (WA): Slow-growing bush on fortuniana and a sparse bloomer. And the blooms you do get are small with short stems so far. Too bad as the orange blend blooms are very attractive. Hope it gets better this summer or Mr. Shovel is waiting in the wings. **F. Wright (NC):** Hybridizer's comment from 2021: Orange and yellow petals make this a showy rose. It is better in cooler weather. It is a smaller bush but grows well. Mine is throwing out show quality canes.



'Cherrytown'
Photo by Wayne Geltz

CHERRYTOWN, rb, Smith, 2023 [Silver Run Roses]

Borrmann (PA): Another from John Smith. Similar color range as My Lady Barbara, but more on the red side. Grows well. Haven't seen strong exhibition form but am hopeful. **Geltz (PA):** Lovely pink blend grows on straight canes with consistent exhibition form. Requires a little time to establish in the garden. This is a contender. **Hering (OH):** Good exhibition form; may currently be the best red blend hybrid tea exhibition rose. **Pavlovich (AZ):** Another incredible rose hybridized by John Smith that exhibitors will love. We have been growing it for two years, and it features high-centered white blooms with bright pink edging on long stems and dark foliage which frames specimens in perfect proportion. **Reynolds (CA):** Too new to rate.



'Clovie' Photo by Christopher Huffer

CLOVIE, op, Roussell, 2019 [K&M, Wisc]

Bonfigli (CA): The maiden plant had a very difficult time getting started two years ago and produced two poorly formed blooms of a beautiful deep apricot orange/pink coloration. But its second year was a different story, as the three blooms that this same small plant produced in the spring were huge and of very good form - and looked good enough to eat! Very pleasing and unique color. Borrmann (PA): Color similar to folklore. Doesn't want to grow. This is probably the last year in my garden unless something happens in the fall. Bowen (LA): Blooms have lovely color and nice form but are small. Nice fragrance. Some blackspot. Capote (NY): I finally got my hands on one of these this spring after it being nearly constantly sold out, and now that it finally gave me its first flower a few days ago, I can see why. It has the color, fragrance, and charm of Tropicana, but with much better form and it does not seem to blow open fast. This is a keeper. I can't wait to be able to show it once it matures into an adult plant. Chappell (GA): Large blooms with ovoid centers and above average petal count. Exceptional sprays. Not a reliable one-bloom

exhibition rose. Tall, upright garden rose. Strong, spicy fragrance. Evans (CA): Decent exhibition form in its second full year, in a large pot. Great fragrance with fairly clean foliage in my no-spray yard. Fairly prolific bloom production. Garrett (TN): 1st year maiden came through the winter just fine so we got it in the ground. It is growing nicely with beautiful orange-pink blooms that have form. May need more size to compete. **Huffer (GA):** Love this rose. Excellent show quality blooms most of the time. Excellent, strong spicy fragrance. Somewhat slow repeat. Marvelous rose. Koch (TX): Juvenile bush had several really good blooms this spring. Lots of petals with high centers. Like the orange/pink/salmon color and I am waiting for stronger growth and vigor. Miller (OH): I really like this rose. Good petal count and the blooms show exhibition quality. Monge (CA): This rose has been a major fail for me. Horrible mildew magnet, hardly blooms, I do not detect the strong fragrance it is to have. It will be shovel pruned this fall. Prabhu (NC): Large, well-formed blooms with exhibition potential. Roussell (LA): Easy to propagate but slow to start. Vigorous after it gets established giving very large, fragrant blooms. Schulman (FL): Has been a slow grower for me although I do like its space-saving, upright growth habit. Blooms have a muddy, light orange color. Not sure if I will keep it beyond this year if I fail to see any improvement. Shockley (AR): One of my favorites and it will show! The color is lovely and original; the form is good and it produces large blooms. Singer (WI): I love the salmon color. Good form, lots of petals, glossy, dark foliage, upright growth, and some fragrance! Highly recommend it! Stream (FL): Non-spreading plant with very large, light orange blooms. Very disease resistant but not quite exhibition quality. Tilley (WA): Second year plant put out 4 "WOW" blooms during the first heat wave in mid-May. Peachy color similar to 'Pat's Choice'. Humongous, heavily-petalled blooms come one-to-a-stem and in sprays of 3. Form, substance, and stems are all there. Then came a few damp days and chilly, dewy nights and the second bloom cycle totally succumbed to botrytis. Is this variety destined to be Jekyll and Hyde? Bush growing well so more blooms will come soon.



'Courage' Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

COURAGE, 2023, ab, Kordes [Palatine]

Capote (NY): This is a new rose by Kordes that was only introduced two years ago in Germany and was now for sale by Palatine this year. So far, this rose is a beast. Planted as a bare root rose in March, it is now 7 feet tall and 3 feet wide! It has glassy leaves and is constantly in bloom. Unfortunately, that is about all it has going for it. Its flowers have absolutely no fragrance and even as a hybrid tea with decorative bloom form, the rose blows open quickly, fades, and becomes messy. This is once again a great rose for the no-spray gardener, but not for an exhibitor who lacks space. It will be rehomed in the spring to a friend who would appreciate it.



'Crazy Fashion'
Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

CRAZY FASHION, rb, NIRP, 2020 [Pal]

Pira (**TX**): Planted March of 2022/bare root from Palatine and already two feet tall with upright vase type growth. This HT has continued to push out flowers all season even in the 103 and 107 days along with new growth and would appear to not be overly affected by the heat. Perhaps the blooms may be smaller 3.5 inches but I attribute that to its being a baby and the heat. The blooms are a lush pink, cherry red raspberry striped coloration with a slight vanilla scent. No overabundance of black spot noted. The leaves are very healthy and thick with no overall health issues. Readily repeats blooms even in the heat without color changes noted. **Strong** (**CA**): Crazy and her sister Easy (Easy Fashion) are both good climbers that have been misclassed as hybrid teas. Big skip, unless you want a misclassed climber for some reason.

DJW (See WHITE PRINCESS

DOUBLE 10 (see True Passion)



'Enchanted Peace'
Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

ENCHANTED PEACE, yb, Meilland, 2021 [Star, Chamblee's]

Dreyer (IA): Nice garden rose...very Peace like in so many ways but might be tough to time for show form. **Eckley (CO):** Planted June 29, 2023. Obtained from High Country Roses as own root. **Huffer (GA):** Extremely fragrant and very pretty but not meant for exhibition. It has been rehomed. **Kozemchak (PA):** Beautiful fragrant garden rose, not exhibition. **Settle (AL):** Weak growth. Colorful blooms on long stems and disease resistant. Will not show well. **Stream (FL):** Grows well and is fairly resistant to disease. Blooms are very small with zero show form here. **Tilley (WA):** Supposed to have quality blooms like 'Love and Peace' with fragrance. Fails on both counts. **Van Boxtel (CA):** This rose is very consistent through the year with new growth and blooms, however it's a very tall and upright rose. It's hard to see the blooms if you're not at least 6-feet tall. In addition, my blooms had lots of trouble with botrytis this year, and then when the heat came, the blooms melted like ice cream.



'Forever Yours' (aka 'Marlene') Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

FOREVER YOURS (aka MARLENE), red, Evers, 2020 [Cert, Edm]

Garrett (TN): The medium rich red blooms are attractive and when they have size, they will show. Bush has gotten better with age. **Hogrefe (NE):** Just another red rose. **Mahoney (AZ):** I care for this rose in a public garden, and I have to say it does very well considering the lack of attention it gets. So far it has survived a very hot summer – but in the spring it was loaded with beautiful blooms. It had the distinction of being one of the few roses blooming early in April of 2023 and was used for arrangements at a rose show with moderate success. No exhibition form blooms, but the color is beautiful. **Strong (CA):** A Home Depot rose that should be good for home gardeners. Blooms heavily, but no exhibition usefulness. No spray, no disease, no fragrance, no form. But very bright red.



'George's 90th Birthday' Photo by Brad Jalbert from Select Roses

GEORGE'S 90TH BIRTHDAY, ob, Mander, 2023 [Select, Bakker Roses, Chamblee's]

Mander (BC): Beautiful orange blend blooms have exhibition form. Plant is a vigorous grower. It was my 90th birthday present from my friend and hybridizer Brad Jalbert. It should be available to the general public in 2023. Jalbert (BC): The flowers start out shades of apricot then open to show blends of gold, orange all deepening with hints of pink to carmine as the bloom ages. The plant is almost thornless and looks lush and beautiful with or without bloom. This is a superb tidy growing and colorful garden rose. Its foliage is a remarkable lush deep glossy green that almost looks too good to be real. George makes a very handsome plant in the garden. Fragrance is light, lemon with rose. Chamblee's: The flowers start out shades or apricot then open to show blends of gold, orange all deepening with hits of pink to carmine as the bloom ages. The plant is almost thorn less and looks lush and beautiful with our without bloom. This is a superb tidy growing and colourful garden rose. It's foliage is a remarkable lush deep glossy green that almost looks to good to be real! George makes a very handsome plant in the garden. Fragrance is light, lemon with rose. Grows to about 3.5-4 feet. Extremely healthy. Great for pollinators.



'Gypsy Soul' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

GYPSY SOUL, dr, Kordes, 2019 [J&P, Edmds, K&M, Chamblee's]

Abshire (**LA**): Still like this one a lot. Beautiful red/violet color and decorative form. Blooms a lot but petal edges fry in heat. **Bohne** (**GA**): Did not survive the winter. **Dreyer** (**IA**): Will show if English style rose classes are offered, but not as a HT. **Guillebeau** (**FL**): Not exhibition form but more like an Austin. Long stems and glossy foliage. Great garden rose. **Shockley** (**AR**): The color is lovely. A great garden rose.



'Heavenly Scented' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

HEAVENLY SCENTED, lp, Carruth, 2023 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Capote (NY): This rose so far appears to be disease resistant. Its blooms are a beautiful shade of orange and as its name implies, it is exceptionally fragrant. Unfortunately, it has so many petals, I have yet to see a bloom fully open. The humidity in my region is so high that it opens about halfway, then balls and rots. This rose will most likely be gifted to a friend who lives away from the coast where the humidity is lower hoping that she would get the chance to see the blooms open. Huff (CA): I have great hopes for this one. Leaves are nice and glossy and the blooms open nicely for our hot climate in Escondido. Huffer (GA): Pretty, salmon pink blooms from Weeks with very little scent for me. New bush has already taken off. So far not much show potential. Myers (NC): New rose has good bloom size. Opens quickly. Weeks: A salmon-colored, very fragrant hybrid tea rose that has pointed buds that open to large, old-fashioned double blooms. The bush is tall and upright and very disease-resistant. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose did better than my expectations. I put this rose in a prime location in my garden, and it put out several blooms in the first few months. The blooms have an abundance of petals, and they last a fair amount of time. I entered this rose in several shows, and it constantly placed in 2nd or 3rd. It doesn't have perfect form, but it can compete. The fragrance of mine is light.



'I Do' Photo by Joanna Deck

I DO, pb, F. Wright, 2019 [K&M]

Deck (AR): A light pink similar to Bride's Dream. Form is there, but it will need to picked tight because it opens quickly. It came through our terrible winter with fewer dead canes than most. The fragrance is wonderful. Bloom size is good but the plant itself is of medium size. **Garrett (TN):** Lost our plant to the harsh winter but replaced it because it has great color and form. We are hoping the new plant will grow better on multiflora rootstock. If we can get some nice stems, we think this variety will show.



'Julie Andrews'
Photo by Tom Mayhew

JULIE ANDREWS (Pink Paradise), mp, Delbard, 2020 [Cert, Edmds]

Capote (NY): This is a beautiful hybrid tea with perfect form that holds for only a few minutes. As such, it is almost impossible to exhibit this rose as a hybrid tea, but its blooms have gorgeous colors and they last forever on the bush. This is good for a landscape setting. It may also be good for a rose arranger who needs blooms to last long in a vase. I keep it around just to enjoy the colors. Cook (TX): Second season, my bush is still very small, the blooms are also on the smaller side and though the color is really vibrant its not a show quality rose. Garrett (TN): We really like the light pink with a hint of yellow at the base bloom color. The blooms do tend to open a little fast and we are not sure it has enough petals to hold for a show. Hogrefe (NE): Second bush better than first, very colorful in garden, doubt it will show, too flat. Huffer (GA): Have been growing this for years and will continue to do so. Fabulous garden rose. Not much of a show rose. Humphrey (OR): Lovely color, some fragrance, doesn't have exhibition form but open blooms can be very nice. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful fragrant pink blooms, that open quickly, so probably not much of an exhibition rose. May do well in the fragrance or open bloom class, and is a great garden rose, very floriferous! We visited the Remember Me Rose Garden, near the Flight 93 Memorial, this month, and it is planted with hundreds of this variety. It should be a gorgeous display when the bushes mature. Mayhew (PA): A very healthy and disease resistant rose plant. A good garden rose with beautiful pink blooms with some slight yellow on the undersides of the petals. Produces both sprays and single bloom stems on a medium sized spreading plant. Nye (RI): First summer own root plant. She's growing in a pot and doing quite well. Her foliage is impeccable and glossy. The bloom has a good center and in cooler weather will hold longer. The bloom lasted nearly a week on the bush. Looking forward to next year's Rose Show season. Roussell (LA): Beautiful, pink and yellow blend blooms with great fragrance. Kinda flat for the show table but a great garden rose. Shimoda (CA): Flowers not exhibition, will donate. Strong (CA): It's pretty color wise, but size and form is more like a florrie than a hybrid tea. The name will sell it, but that is all. Tiffany (CA): Love the bicolor, bright pink on edges with some yellow at the center. Nice size blooms. Tilley (WA): Slow-growing second year plant succumbed to winter damage. Did not replace. Wong (CA): Julie Andrews is a lovely color pink blend and its fragrance is light. Ours is now two years old. It has grown but is still short. Its blooms and leaves are healthy and its fragrance rather light but nice. It only has good exhibition form as a bud but when fully open it is a lovely yellow and peach in the center. The only drawback is its tendency to open a little too quickly. Yuen (BC) Very disappointed, not that fragrant, too many thorns, did not repeat well, and it did not survive last winter even though it was well protected. Blooms do not have classic pointed center for exhibition.



La Fontaine aux Perles Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

LA FONTAINE AUX PERLES, lp, Michel Adam [Palatine]

*** We do not have any reports on this rose as of yet.

Palatine: Mostly born in solitary, these deeply fragrant, large, light pink flowers open to reveal an old fashioned bloom. The upright grower is 4'-5' in height and generous in its flower production and repeat blooming habit.



'Larger Than Life' Photo by Hoang Ton

LARGER THAN LIFE, ly, Bedard, 2021 [J&P]

Editor's Note: This was the Jackson & Perkins Rose of the Year in 2021. Jackson & Perkins: Few true hybrid tea roses have an old-fashioned flower form. Larger Than Life not only has old-fashioned blooms but also has some of the largest blooms we've seen in the last 20 years. The very double blooms are up to 5 inches across (sometimes larger) and rich with 80 to 95 petals. The well-formed, softly hued yellow flowers emerge from big bubbly buds and emit a moderate tea and fruit fragrance. Excellent cut flowers, they sit atop long, strong stems; just 4 or 5 blooms in a vase make a healthy bouquet. The bush has an upright, moderately spreading habit and is fully covered with jumbo-sized, glossy, medium-green foliage. Disease resistant, it is a good choice for the novice gardener. Sherman (WA): Loosely made light yellow flowers, some powdery mildew at the end of the season but recovered, didn't not grow as fast as I expected. Thick canes.



'Liz's Charm' Photo by Steven Roussell

LIZ'S CHARM, dp, Roussell, 2019 [K&M, Wisc]

Bonfigli (CA): The plusses: One of the first - if not THE first - HT to bloom of the season; large blooms with high centers; novel pinkish-purple color. The minuses: A marked susceptibility to rust! And this rapidly spoils the whole picture. This year, I was able to stave it off in time, but in my new, downsized low-maintenance garden, I simply don't want to work this hard when there are other varieties available which do not suffer from this scourge. Still, the "plusses" continue to keep my interest, but I'm unsure just how much longer it will last. If you live in an area which is not plagued by rust, do give this one a try. **Bowen** (LA): Blooms have very nice form and size. Refrigerates well and good vase life. **Boyd** (SC): Mauve blend blooms with exhibition potential on long, sturdy canes. Grafted plant is a tall grower. Some blackspot and smaller blooms in the

summer heat. Bullard (SC): Long-stemmed, usually single stem. Strong, tall grower, producing plenty of quality blooms for exhibition and/or home. Make room for this one. Capote (NY): This is one of the best new exhibition hybrid teas that I have planted in my garden. It is vigorous and the blooms are a beautiful shade of pink blushing red on the edges. It lasts long in a vase and is fragrant. I cant wait for this rose to be in bloom when I have a show. I know it will do well! Dale (GA): Vigorous plant with blooms that look like a smaller Elizabeth Taylor but blooms have gained size in its fourth year. Good form. Good foliage and fairly disease resistant. Have not gotten one to a show yet. Deck (AR): Grew tall and skinny. Did not make it through the winter well and will probably be discarded in the fall since it is not recovering sufficiently. The bloom color was nice but size was lacking. Eckley (CO): From Shreveport. Just planted in July. Gorgeous blooms when seen at Shreveport. A future winner. Flynn (LA): Beautiful, large, non-fading, exhibition form blooms on long stout stems. Blooms hold their form for 4-6 days. Disease resistant in my spray garden. Two young plants were severely damaged during the December freeze. Will replace them both with the same because I was very impressed with the blooms. Huffer (GA): Beautiful, purple blend blooms with high-centered form on long stems. Liz adores the heat. She gives exhibition blooms about half the time. Garrett (TN): Tall bush is not a big producer. Blooms have nice color and sometimes the size is there. Hope it continues to improve. Hering (OH): Mauve blend with excellent exhibition form. Its color has been compared to Barbara Streisand, but I compare it to Dr. John Dickman. Huffer (GA): High-centered bloom form. Medium-large flowers borne mostly singly. Liz adores the heat. Just gets better with age. Koch (TX): New plant in a container has shown several small blooms. Too early to evaluate. Plasz (IL): After two great years, it died over winter. Roussell (LA): Pink with mauve to red edges. 4" blooms with mild fragrance. Heavy bloomer and will exhibit. Schulman (FL): I do like its pinkish-purple color and the nice form of the blooms, plus its dark green foliage, although the blooms are a little on the small side. Seems to be more susceptible to black spot than most varieties. Shockley (AR): I've grown Liz for 4 years and every bloom has had perfect form. Blooms aren't huge but are a good size; the form and color blending make it a magnet for the eyes. Singer (WI): Blooms have beautiful show form. The plant is somewhat winter tender here in Wisconsin. Small (FL): This rose is beautiful and has great exhibition potential. I have won several awards including King. My original bush was quite vigorous and bloomed well. With regular spraying it remained disease free until canker set in after freeze damage. This rose has become a favorite. Sommers (WI): Second year plant has had only a few blooms; stingy plant but I did not winter protect in my zone 5 garden. Blooms had exhibition form; Hope to see more. Stream (FL): Strong grower but needs spraying for blackspot. Good show quality blooms most of the time. Tilley (WA) Still in the pot, but first blooms show great exhibition potential. Outstanding color and blooms last a long time. Watch out for powdery mildew on it. Ware (TX): Too new to tell. First year plants taking off slowly.



'Love At First Sight'
Photo courtesy of Michigan Bulb Company

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT, rb, Bedard, 2019 [Edmds, Weeks, Chamblee's]

Bagley (TX): Vigorous and healthy, medium sized bush. Garden rose only. Clark (CA): Long lasting blooms that show good form sometimes and great form occasionally. Bush size and shape looks lots like a floribunda. Eckley (CO): Healthy, upright with strong canes. Mostly sprays when not disbanded. Garrett (TN): Blooms are pretty, but they just don't have good enough form to show. Humphrey (OR) Nice color red with white reverse but very small cupped blooms. Not keeping. Monge (CA): More of a garden rose as any exhibition potential blows open very quickly. Plasz (IL): Have 12 in Libertyville Public Rose Garden. Lost 4 in its first winter. Will use more protection this coming winter. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Second year for the rose in our yard. Nice color to the blooms. The blooms are small, but the color is attractive in the garden and in the vase. Not a strong grower in our yard and slow to start after the erratic spring weather. Shimoda (CA): Nice red with white reverse, healthy with lots of blooms, eaten by gophers. Flower heads are too small for exhibition. Sommers (WI): Moderately hardy bush with sprays of rounded red blooms with white reverse. Great garden rose and may exhibit in the spray category but individual blooms not large enough. Tiffany (CA): Well maybe not if you don't get much of a sight. Few blooms and small plant in my yard. Tilley (WA): I really like this rose. So colorful with plump bright red, heavily-petalled blooms with a silvery reverse. Most blooms come in sprays of 3-4 blooms with occasional exhibition form. My first spray lasted nearly 2 weeks in the vase. So far blooms are on the small side. Bright Idea: How about reclassifying this rose as a floribunda?



'Make Me Blush' Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nursery

MAKE ME BLUSH, ly, Bedard, 2023 [Weeks]

Capote (NY): This rose is exceptionally vigorous and seemingly disease resistant with glossy leaves. The blooms are yellow blushing pink and are perfectly formed every time with a great fragrance. Unfortunately, in both the first and second flush, the largest blooms I have yet to get were the size of a half-dollar coin. The average bloom is the size of a quarter. This rose probably should be classified as a mini-flora. Its good quality is that it can last in a vase and hold its color and form for over a week! So far this rose seems useless for the Horticulture table, but it may be the rose arranger's best friend.



'Maurice Utrillo' Photo by Tom Mayhew

MAURICE UTRILLO, rb, Delbard, 2019 [Cert, Chamblee's]

Clark (CA): Confusion on class, ARS lists floribunda and CRL a HT. It is small for a HT. Cooney (CA): New to me this year. Love the color striping. Seems a little stingy with bloom but is still in a 5-gallon pot. We'll have to see how it does in the ground. Dale (GA): Striking, decorative form bloom from Delbard. Vigorous, healthy plant with good repeat bloom. May get another one. Ekuan (CA): Brilliantly colored striped HT which grows and blooms well. Color fades fairly rapidly. Our friends in San Diego County seem to have the magic touch with this rose. Disease resistant. Fulgham (TX): I have grown this for two years and would love to have the whole series. It remains small, but with reasonable flushes of blooms which I use in bouquets. It is too small and thin stemmed for exhibition and does blackspot. Garrett (TN): Good bush with really pretty bicolored blooms, but form and size might be an issue. Hope they get better in cooler weather. Guillebeau (FL): Nice striping on a very good garden plant. Makes a very nice garden plant. Hefner (IN): Lacks exhibition form, most blooms are small. Garden variety. Krause (TX): Twoyear old bush has grown well, with 3 foot height and 3 to 4 foot width and has red and white stripes. Leaves are bright green with no disease. Mahoney (AZ): Striped and interesting, but not great exhibition form. Struggles in the heat here in Phoenix. Not a keeper in our garden. Reynolds (CA): Nice variegation, blooms in sprays and single bloom. Shockley (AR): Growing it this year. I love the pink and white stripes and the good form. Too early to comment on size. Strong (CA): Winner, winner chicken dinner. Everyone likes this rose. Great colors for a stripey, and unique. I

think it's been reclassed as a florrie, however, which is as it should be. It's not an exhibition hybrid tea, and was never intended to be such. **Tilley (WA):** Very versatile and dependable blooming machine. Multicolored blooms are eye-catching, but strictly a garden variety. **Van Boxtel (CA):** This rose outperforms almost all of my Painter's Collection roses (I have almost all of them). I have constant blooms that last for several days. The rose does well in shows too, as long as I have a good spray. **Van Lenten (SC):** Very nice, decorative bloom similar to George Burns coloration. Our bush died after the winter freeze.



'McFarland' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

MCFARLAND, mp, Meilland, 2021 [Star]

Bowen (LA): Pretty, creamy pink blooms do not have exhibition form. Nice garden rose with fast rebloom. Disease resistant. Capote (NY): This rose is fragrant and exceptionally disease resistant and vigorous on its own roots. Unfortunately, most blooms do not have a good form and the color, in my honest opinion, is a bit flat. I like the rose well enough to keep it in my garden, but it is growing for its blooming capacity, not its show potential. Cook (TX): Great stems and interesting-colored leaves. The blooms are many on great stems but the bloom is not very large. Dreyer (KS) - Nothing to get excited about....was hoping for a better bloom.....just an average pink garden rose so far. Eckley (CO): Two plants from Shreveport May's national. Just planted in spring. Flynn (LA): Good repeat bloom with no signs of blackspot. Very nice, soft pink that keeps it color in the heat. Long, straight stems. Decorative hybrid tea form. Garrett (TN): New plant on own roots is growing well. Haven't seen enough blooms yet. Godfrey (IA): Named to honor a legend but rose won't be. It has nice color but no form on vigorous plant. Hering (OH): Medium pink with a light reverse (pink blend) has lots of petals but not exhibition form. Huffer (GA): Pretty, pink rose with excellent disease resistance and prolific blooming. Decorative blooms only. Wonderful garden rose. Mayhew (PA): A nice healthy and hardy, upright plant, somewhat tall and narrow with a

nice many petaled pink bloom. But the bloom seldom has the classic hybrid tea exhibition form. The rose seems to be somewhat slow to repeat blooms. Often produces sprays. A nice garden rose that can be left to take care of itself in the garden. **Moore** (**NE**): This plant produced a very fragrant rose, but since is in a holding pattern, not blooming. The initial bloom was very fragrant, but not of exhibition form. **Roussell** (**LA**): Slightly fragrant blooms on a very upright plant. Hardy rose that is perfect for beginning rosarians. **Shockley** (**AR**): What a nice garden rose! I'm happy to have it in the garden. **Williams** (**WA**): Decorative form hybrid, tea, keep for sentimental reasons. Saw a nice display of several stems at Shreveport National.



'Melania' Photo by Fred Wright

MELANIA, op, Fred Wright, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Grew for three years. Pretty color bloom which is much too small to be classified as a HT. Dale (GA): Plant is medium height but stems are weak causing blooms to nod. Blooms have a great color combo but have so-so form. Only show possibility would be in a frame or floating. Eliminated one of two plants. Deck (AR): Bloom size was good and the form was usually very good. The orange-pink color was especially pretty. But the peduncle would not support the bloom so she went to live with someone else. Garrett (TN): The orange/pink blooms have great color and good size. Sometimes the center is not quite there, but when it is this is a very nice rose. Plant grows and blooms well. Greenwood (CA): Lovely multicolored blossoms reminiscent of 'Gemini' which could be one of its parents. Flowers are presented in small open sprays. Excellent form. If disbudded, the flowers will be up to 4 inches in diameter. Fast to rebloom. I've not seen any signs of mildew or blackspot. This variety will be hard to find. I got mine from K & M and I haven't seen it being offered again. A definite keeper. Wright (NC): Mostly pink rose that has deeper color in lots of sun. The colors are similar to Color Magic. It will refrigerate. Nice tall centers that show well.



'Nora Virginia' aka 'Women's Celebration' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

NORA VIRGINIA (aka WOMEN'S CELEBRATION), yb, Zary, 2019 [J&P]

Capote (NY): This rose had great flowers with perfect form and good fragrance. Unfortunately, it was vigorous and the flowers were rather small. When it got killed to the ground from the flash freeze, I decided that it was not worth my effort to try to nurse it back to health. Wickert (OH): I purchased this rose on two separate occasions. Both times it ended up being killed over the winter. It blackspots pretty badly in NE Ohio. This rose can produce some beautiful blooms, but it's not very vigorous and not very hardy.



'Oh Happy Day!'
Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

OH HAPPY DAY!, ab, Kordes, 2019 [Edmds, High, J&P, Chamblee's]

Baird (TN): Like all Kordes roses, it is hardy and disease resistant, has lovely blooms but skimpy in numbers. Bever (CO): Strong, long canes. Foliage is disease resistant, but it seems to attract bugs more than some others we have. Not always exhibition form. It has some potential, but so far, we haven't been able to get it to a show. Dreyer (IA): Some call it a grandiflora and so far, seems more like that classification. Eastman (WA): Planted 2023. Exhibition shape, doing well for its first year, unknown winter hardiness. No evidence of disease. Growing fast. Sets lovely sprays. Eckley (CO): Healthy garden rose. Kozemchak (PA): Nice color and decent form, but smallish blooms on a good growing fourth year bush. Disease free foliage. Good garden rose, probably won't show well. Nye (RI): Received this as a band in 2019 from Kordes at our Yankee District Convention. It has been growing in size in a pot. Doing well with great form. Late bloomer for our Rose Show season, but possibly next year. Underperformed, donated. Shimoda (CA): Underperformed. Donated. Shockley (AR): Definitely a garden rose. The bush is huge in its first year. It is disease resistant, grows well and blooms often. The blooms have decorative form and are cream and soft yellow. Can't see that it will exhibit.



'Painted Porcelain' Photo courtesy of High Country Roses

PAINTED PORCELAIN, pb, Bedard, 2021 [Edmds, Weeks]

Bechtle (MN): This rose is a new addition to my garden this year. Purchased from a local nursery in a 5-gallon pot. Its first bloom cycle produced many flowers. Most had excellent exhibition form but were too small to show. Stems were too short. The blooms have quite a range of color from a light pink background with white striping to a white background with pink striping. The bush itself has average vigor. It's too soon to make an assessment on this variety's exhibition potential, but first indications are promising. I am looking forward to its future performance. Bonfigli (CA): The color, while never ugly, seems to only want to attain its richness when the weather warms, and even then it's a crapshoot. On the plus side, the bush is very productive, and the blooms may work well in collections. But the REAL downside is that this variety has proven repeatedly that it has a glaring weakness for rust on the lower third of the bush. Now that I've downsized, I can no longer dedicate precious space to an "almost" rose. For those who want a bloom machine (albeit a thorny one!) and live in an area far enough away from the coast that rust will not be a problem, this may be one to consider. Clark (CA): Long stemmed and vigorous. Great garden and bouquet, some good form. Cooney (CA): Best thing I can say is that it made to the raffle table. Nothing special, just another pink garden variety rose. Eckley (CO): Two plants own root from High Country. Rose has perfect blooms on long stems. First year didn't do anything. Second plant, brand new follows space bloom first year. Garrett (TN): Lost our 1st year plant to harsh winter, but replaced it with one on multiflora rootstock. Medium height plant is a good bloomer with strong stems. Light pink blooms have a nice white reverse. Bloom size is good in cooler weather and that is when it will show. Guillebeau (FL): White with pink center. Long stems and grows very well. I think it can exhibit. Monge (CA): Not enough petals to exhibit. Detests the heat, mildew magnet.

Out it goes. **Myers (NC):** Bicolor with quick repeat bloom. Strong stems. Lacks fragrance. Striking on the show table. **Nielsen (CO):** Beautiful rose, great exhibition form. Showing good repeat. Good foliage, steady growth. **Rankin & Valentovic (WV):** We really like this plant. It is our third year of growing it in our garden. It is growing well with an upright growing habit. The blooms have good form. This rose was named appropriately as the blooms are a nice white with a pink edge. The blooms tend to have more pink in the summer heat and whiter in cooler weather. This rose seems to do better in the cooler weather of Fall than summer heat, but don't we all. **Strong (CA):** Nothing to recommend this one that I can see. The older rose Change of Heart is better at everything this rose purports to do, and is prettier. **Tilley (WA):** Nice enough rose on a robust plant that was a take 50-50 take it or leave it for me from the start. Then 21/22 winter made the decision for me. Did not replace. **Wilkinson (GA):** Intriguing pink blend from Weeks Roses. Longer stems and bigger blooms in its 2nd yr. Most of the blooms had good, clean centers. Exhibition HTs are hard to come by and this just might sneak in the back door.



'Parfum Royal' Photo Courtesy of NIRP

PARFUM ROYAL, mp, Adam, 2020 [Pal]

Huffer (GA): Excellent sport of 'Grande Classe'. Rose pink with silvery white reverse. Strong, raspberry fragrance. Very large, double, high-centered form. Many of the flowers are show quality in the spring and fall. Needs more petals. **Strong (CA):** Not impressed with this newbie. Pops open. Too few petals for exhibition.



'Parfum Tropical' Photo by Kathy Strong

PARFUM TROPICAL, rb, NIRP, 2020 [Pal]

Strong (**CA**): I just hate the name. Can't get past that. Going, going, gone, most probably. Has not bloomed much for me, so I can't recall whether I thought it was so-so or I actually disliked it. But it was not on the "let's keep this one" list, because those I do recall.



'Perfume Factory'
Photo courtesy of High Country Roses

PERFUME FACTORY, m, Carruth, 2020 [Edmds]

Capote (NY): I had this rose since it came out on preview in 2020. This rose is simply not vigorous. It is also a blackspot magnet despite regular spraying. It is also not reliably winter hardy. Each year I would lose more canes and the rose was not vigorous enough to replace them. This winter finally killed it. I planted another this spring and so far, it is the same story. I replanted it because while the bush is trash, the blooms are highly fragrant and are dark purple with excellent exhibition form in cool weather. Since dark purple hybrid teas with exhibition form are uncommon, I decided to give it a second go. After seeing the new one struggle along so far, I wonder if I wasted my money to try this rose again. Garrett (TN): Blooms have rich deep mauve color, especially in cool weather, with outstanding fragrance. So far it has everything but stem length. Krause (TX): New this spring (first one froze last year) dark lavender blooms, mostly sprays that will show. Fragrance is wonderful. **Moore** (**NE**): This plant is a year old and has good production of blooms that are fragrant, a few of them are of exhibition quality. The plant I have has survived the winter well and is healthy producing sprays of blooms with just a few single stems. Tilley (WA): Slow growing, very short bush puts out about a dozen medium blooms at a time so far. Fragrance is powerful, but stems are short and form is fleeting at best. Garden variety rose. Could win fragrance category though. Van Boxtel (CA): This is the second year I've had this rose. This first year was a dud. Now that the rose has established more roots, I'm getting better sprays. The blooms are very large and round. It doesn't do well in shows, but the color is striking in my garden. It has a light to medium fragrance.



'Picture Perfect' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

PICTURE PERFECT, pb, Bedard, 2023 [Spring Hill Nursery, Weeks, Chamblee's]

Capote (NY): This rose had gorgeous colored petals of hot pink with a pure white reverse. So far mine has not grown much and my blooms do not have enough petals to hold their form for very

long. I love the color. I hope that these issues fix themselves as the bush matures. **Garrett (TN):** New plant is growing nicely. The pink with white reverse blooms are attractive. Not yet sure about bloom size. **Spring Hill Nursery:** Bright fuchsia-pink flowers blend with a creamy white reverse. Single blooms are born on long stems on this upright shrub, and are complimented by deep green foliage with a pleasant silver sheen. With a moderate fragrance and excellent vase life, these long stemmed roses are perfect as cut-flowers and in arrangements. The beautiful blooms of Picture Perfect Hybrid Tea certainly won't hide in a bouquet, opening to up to five inches across, with 35 to 40 creamy-smooth petals per flower. You'll appreciate the easy pruning needs of this rose, which blooms on new wood, as well as its excellent disease resistance. **Tilley (WA):** Only seen first bloom cycle, but your eye can't escape the unique neon pink blooms with a bright pale reverse. Blooms open quickly so cut stems in the morning. Too soon tell any more, but my gut tells me that it will be strictly a garden rose, but a nice one. **Van Boxtel (CA):** If you show roses, I think you need to own this newer rose! This rose has excellent exhibition form, and the rose is mostly disease resistant. I've only had it for less than a year, and it's doing great.



'Pinkerbelle' Photo by Tom Mayhew

PINKERBELLE, pb, Meilland, 2019 [Star, Edmds]

Anderson (WI): This is the third year I have grown this variety in containers. It is tender in my zone 3b. They are very leafy this year and the blooms were slower to come forth due to a cool, dry spring, followed by a hot, humid, and very dry summer. The plant has multiple buds now and only two blooms to date. The very full set of petals are a light pink with a darker pink on the outer row of petals, all in a "stippled" effect with a notch in the middle of each outer petal, giving the rose a unique appearance. The round bloom is about 3.5" in diameter and has a strong tea fragrance. Many canes may throw sprays at the same time, making this plant quite eye-catching, although the

blooms are heavy and the canes may need support. The foliage is lighter to medium green, semiglossy and grows to 3' or taller and may have to be staked or supported. Bagley (TX): I hated the color and the blackspot. It's gone. Ball (WA) Probably one of the strongest growers I have in my garden. Good health, foliage, and blooms. I am not enamored of the rose itself and as such, would probably not show it. Bever (CO): Not a stellar performer. I'll give it a couple more years. Nice long stems, but the bloom isn't what I wanted it to be. **Bowen (LA):** Color is better in cool weather. Mottled looking in the heat. Weak stems at times. Some blackspot. Not sure it is a keeper. Colombo (GA): A good grower we have had for over a year. Disease resistant and fragrant. Has show potential about half the time. Dreyer (KS): Growing nicely on own roots. Some fragrance and nice color. May not be a show rose. Eckley (CO): Small blooms and plant. One member had this bloom on main trophy table, June 24th, 2023. Geltz (PA): Plant produces large sprays of smallish blooms. Better classified as a floribunda. Coloration a bit muddy. Shovel pruned. Helgeson (MN): Fragrant, good form, unique blend of pinks. Hering (OH): Pink blend, early blooms have had good centers - may show. Hicks (AR): Pinkerbelle continues to impress this third year of growing. This rose withstood two harsh winters that took out so many roses and shrubs, with hardly a bit of dieback. Pinkerbelle has frequent bloom cycles and the blooms stand out from a distance. Still a bit of a tricky color as a combining plant, but pairs nicely with black elephant ears and pervoskia. Hogrefe (NE): Tends to ball and brown petals. Huffer (GA): Sprays galore with decent form. Disease free and almost 8 ft. tall. Continual bloomer. Not a show rose. Kozemchak (PA): Great fragrance and pretty color. Some people are not fond of the streaky color on the petals, it does not bother me. Form seems good, but may be one to disbud early if you're showing as a one bloom stem. Added a second last year, more for nice fragrant cut blooms, than exhibition. Krause (TX): New this year, already has proved itself with continued repeat bloom, already 4' tall, gorgeous cream blooms with pink edges. I believe it will show. The plant blooms a lot with good form and some fragrance and lots of sprays. However, sometimes on close inspection, the petals seem to be spotted in an unsightly way, detracting from the bloom. I have a 5-year bush that has made it through the Zone 7b winters OK and still wants to produce some very nice blooms even in the heat of summer. Longanecker (CA): The plant and blooms look more like a floribunda, Pinkerbell does produce a lot of flowers with nice form, but the flowers are small for a hybrid tea and they bloom mostly in sprays. There is a small freckle in the coloration of the petal that can sometimes look a little muddy. I feel it would show better if reclassified as a floribunda. Tilley (WA): Back in 2019, I skewered this rose in my review for being a floribunda in hybrid tea's clothing. It needed continual disbudding, small, powerfully fragrant blooms, and muddy color. But after moving it to a half sun/half shade location and with patient disbudding the white with pink edged bloom finally have begun to resemble the pictures of it. Super fragrance bought it some time and now it has just enough oomph to be an okay garden variety with small to medium blooms. Who classifies these varieties anyway?



'Princess Power'
Photo by Janet Eastman/Courtesy of The Oregonian

PRINCESS POWER, wb, Bedard/Weeks, 2020 [Portland Nursery]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet. Available exclusively at Portland Nursery, OR. **Editor's Note:** 2020 Portland Rose Festival's collector's edition rose. It has blooms of white splashed pink with cream reverse. Mild fragrance. Dark, glossy foliage.



'Raspberry Cupcake' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

RASPBERRY CUPCAKE, pb, Kordes, 2023 [Star, Select, Chamblee's]

Bohne (**GA**): New Kordes plant. Old fashioned, deep pink blooms. Very fragrant. Slow rebloom. Disease free. **Capote** (**NY**): As advertised, this rose has a ridiculously strong raspberry fragrance

smelling more like raspberry lemonade or raspberry-lemon icing! Unfortunately, that is all this rose has going for it. So far it seems to lack vigor and its blooms are miniflora sized with poor form. It also is disease prone to Blackspot in my garden, a rarity for a Kordes rose these days. If it were not for that fragrance, which I do love, this rose would be long gone. **Shockley (AR):** A gift from a friend that keeps on giving! The unique decorative form is fun to watch unfurl and the fragrance is nice. I haven't had sprays.



'Ray the Rose' Photo by Ray Martin

RAY THE ROSE, pb, Warner, 2024 [Awaiting U.S. Release date]

Guillebeau (FL): Light pink blend seedling from Gemini. Hybridized in the UK by Chris Warner. Named for Ray Martin, Secretary of the Rose Society of the United Kingdom. Gorgeous form on long stems. Foliage reminds me of Gemini. Not available in the USA yet. There are a few plants around. It's a very desirable rose. Ray Martin (UK): Bred by Chris Warner from Gemini and Winter Sun, the variety was originally rejected for potential poor health due to a susceptibility to rust. Chris gave it to me to try and in four years of growing it has been the healthiest rose on my plot — no blackspot, no mildew and definitely no rust with organic growing (no fungicide chemicals). Excellent for garden and becoming a good exhibition rose. It has won 'Star HT' Bloom (Queen) and many first prizes in bowl and vase classes in UK shows. To achieve good sized blooms, canes should be disbudded, will produce large sprays if left. Bloom size also responds very well to regular feeding. Good resistance to rain. Lasts very well (and actually grows) when prepared for show and stored in refrigerator for up to 7 days. (store using Chrysal or similar bloom conditioning solution). Only criticism I have is that the peduncle can, at times, be a touch too long. Not yet released commercially but on trial with numerous UK and US exhibitors.



'Roberto Alagna' Photo by Christian Schultheis

ROBERTO ALAGNA, rb, Michel Adam, 2020 [Palatine]

Huffer (GA): Excellent garden rose and extremely fragrant. Will show if you catch it early since blooms open very quickly. **Strong (CA):** On my keeper list. New this year, but so far, so good.



'Rocket' Photos by Steven Roussell

ROCKET, dp, Roussell, 2023 [Wisconsin Roses – Introduction Pending]

Huffer (**GA**): New from Steven Roussell. Vivid, striking deep pink with excellent fragrance. Many of the blooms are Queen quality. **Roussell** (**LA**): Very large dark red buds open into 4-5" flowers. Plants grow straight up to about 6'. Spiral form with lots of petals. Good for garden or show. Beautiful. **Singer** (**WI**): Large blooms. Lots of petals. Long stems.



'Royal Swan' Photo courtesy of Heirloom Roses

ROYAL SWAN, wb, Clements, 2022 [Heirloom]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Heirloom: We are honored to introduce one of John's last roses he bred here at the nursery. He named her 'Royal Swan'. With the most delicate petals opening to reveal bright stamens, 'Royal 'Swan' features a compact bud with gentle buttercream petals that give off the lightest lemon scent.



'Ruby Red' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

RUBY RED, red, Meilland Richardeir, 2021 [Edmds]

Dickson (OK): This rose is awesome. The red blooms seem to glow this past spring and with all the roses in my backyard everyone was attracted to this one. The foliage is very glossy and healthy. **Star Roses:** Ruby RedTM is a compact rose that blooms heavily. The flower color is dark red and non-fading against dark green, glossy foliage. It stands out beautifully in the garden and makes an excellent container presentation.



'Ruby's Daughters' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

RUBY'S DAUGHTERS, dr, Guillebeau, 2021 [K&M]

Guillebeau (FL): Very nice, dark red out of Gemini and Veterans' Honor. Excellent form. Will definitely will win if it ever makes it to a show. No one is currently offering it.



SESPE SUNRISE, ab, Kordes, 2021 [Otto & Sons]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Otto & Sons: This is our 2021 Rose of the Year. Vigorous HT that produces apricot pink blooms. Very Strong fragrance of sweet citrus and clove tea. Cupped 3" continuous flowering on an upright bush with great disease resistance. 5'x 4'. Introduced in USA by Otto & Sons Nursery 2021.



'Smiles for Miles'
Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

SMILES FOR MILES, yb, Carruth, 2024 [Weeks, Portland Nursery]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Portland Rose Festival (OR): This yellow blushing pink hybrid tea releases a moderate fruity fragrance. It was chosen as the Portland Rose Festival's 2023 official rose. 'Smiles for Miles' will be available nationally in 2024, perhaps under a different name.



Steve Singer New HT Photo by Steve Singer

STEVE SINGER NEW HT, lp, Singer, 2024 [Wisc]

Bonfigli (CA): This new seedling from talented grower/hybridizer Steve Singer is new for me and is quite a nice addition to light pink HTs. It was received as a maiden and bloomed late due to the near-record-setting cool spring, but churned out a few incredibly formed blooms in a nice, fresh light-pink color on blooms that were very long lasting. Reminds me of a vastly improved 'Memoriam' (now, how many of you grew and/or remember THAT one?!) Foliage is plentiful and proportional to the bloom, but it did get a slight touch of mildew, which may be attributable to the "lull" that it had between transplaning from pot to ground, where it now occupies a premium spot by my back door so that I can enjoy the beautiful blooms. Looking forward to even more great blooms in the future. **Singer (WI):** Cross of Elizabeth Taylor x Buttercream (HT). Introduction pending at Wisconsin Roses.



'Stiletto' Photo by Peter Alonso

STILETTO, dp, Meilland, 2019 [Star, Edmds, Chamblee's]

Abshire (LA): Love this one and have 3 bushes. Beautiful color and form. Might not be large enough to compete. Anderson (WI): This is the third year I have grown them in containers. It is tender here in zone 3b, and it is not happy with the cooler temps. Even though I may have to wait on it, the dark red buds give way to a 4.25" diameter symmetrical, shallow bloom with an exhibition center. It is quite exquisite in shape and dimension. The velvety petals come to an outward point in the middle and are framed by large, mat green leaves that complement the rose as if wearing a fine coat. A wonderful cut rose because it lasts and as it ages it changes from a dark red to a deep cerise color bloom, which is lovely. It has a fruity, damask, tea fragrance, too. Becker (FL): Good fragrance but stingy bloomer. Rarely exhibition and not to my liking. Gone. The canes are too short to really show well. **Bonfigli (CA):** What can I say? I'm in LOVE with the color and the form - when it is there. This year, 'Stiletto' was one of only a handful of roses which were dealt a severe blow by our late frosts (which, thankfully, weren't quite as late as they were last year), and what a blow it was! I had to remove nearly three canes from the already-small own-root bush. But then something amazing happened: Five large new canes eagerly sprouted up from the base of the bush and put on a grand floral show which concluded about a week ago (mid-July), which contained about 50-60 blooms. I guess the bush finally got mad enough to do something! All kidding aside, this is a rose to grow primarily for its color and occasional form - and VERY occasionally for its size, which usually falls short of the mark for a good exhibition HT. However, if your plant produces enough of them, you can assemble a memorable collection which just might

make it to the head table. Capote (NY): This rose is a hybrid tea with perfect form in the most beautiful shade of fuchsia. It has exceptional fragrance and good disease resistance. Unfortunately, it is vigorous, bloom stingy, and the blooms are tiny. I dug it up and put it in a pot that was moved to a spot in full sun. If this rose does not grow by the end of the year, it will be gone. Cook (TX): Has the shiniest foliage. Long lasting blooms that hold their color in 100 degree heat. Mine however has stayed on the smaller size and the blooms are not very fragrant. The stems are shorter also but very straight and strong. Cooney (CA): First year in my garden, growing in a 5-gallon pot. First bloom cycle looks promising with several show capable blooms. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2020. 2 bushes. Beautiful color, exhibition shape, and disease resistant. Set at least 1 dozen blooms on solid stems with good foliage its first bloom cycle the first year. I was so impressed I sought out a second bush. Same performance. Winter hardy in our climate. Eckley (CO): Had three plants. All dead. Ekuan (CA): Promising HT with great color and good form. Blooms resist rain spotting better than most. My own root plant received earlier this year has grown well. Will mildew. Evans (CA): Good exhibition form and mild fragrance. Plant isn't getting too big, now in its fourth year. Garrett (TN): Harsh winter hurt this rose, but it does have attractive deep rich pink blooms with good form and size. Godfrey (IA): This HT has very nice form but still they're more Fl sized on a 3rd year own root plant. It is showing promise. Horn (CA): This deep pink hybrid tea is striking in the garden. It presents good form with excellent substance but not size, looking more like a floribunda thus far. HelpMeFind.com documents bloom size as 4.75", while I find the bloom size to be closer to 2.5". The rose has many attributes including a strong fragrance. Its foliage is dark green and glossy, which produces excellent disease resistance. Because space is at a premium in my garden, I donated it to my rose society's auction so it could be fully enjoyed by a home gardener. **Huff (CA)** Hard to keep mildew off of it – will work with it another year to see. **Huffer (GA):** Exhibition quality blooms with high centers. Blooms are small in the heat. A welcome surprise. Humphrey (OR): Yes, a fabulous new HT with great form, beautiful deep raspberry color, vigorous plant. Won Portland Gold Medal for 2023. Lonanecker (CA): Very nice shiny healthy foliage, great deep magenta color that does not fade, plant produces a lot of flowers mostly on single stems. I like it so much I have 5, one is in a very large pot with a lot of shade and still produces well but the shade caused a little powdery mildew. Last summer Stiletto tolerated our smoking hot weather well. There are hybrid teas with bigger blooms I hope judges do not hold that against this exceptional flower. Also very fragrant. Miller (OH): Produces deep pink blooms. I have not seen any exhibition blooms. Monge (CA): New to my garden this spring and too early to give a good review. First blooms were pretty in form and vibrant dark pink color but has not given any more flowers since the first bloom. Did have some mildew issues. Moore (NE): Good color and form. Was shaded by a tree so it wasn't a heavy producer of rose stems. (Tree is now gone so hopefully better now). Pavlovich (AZ): I had high hopes for this rose when it came out and gave it three years. Unfortunately, it was stingy on blooms which were less than ideal. I tossed it in the garbage last January. Shimoda (CA): Acquired in 2022. Few blooms, a little small. Still trying. Singer (WI): Beautifully colored blooms against lovely foliage. Can have occasional show form here in my area, but mostly recommend for garden beauty rather than exhibition. Strong (CA): This one is on my keeper list. Deep rich purple pink color like no other rose I know of. Reasonably good form as well. Very pretty rose. Tilley (WA): I wish I could exhibit this rose! Vibrant, deep magenta blooms come one-to-a-stem and in sprays of 3-4 blooms. Form and substance are immaculate with perfectly arranged symmetrical petals. Alas, blooms are a bit too small and a little too flat on top of generally short stems. Williams (WA): Excellent form, color, and substance here.



'Strong Heart' Photo by Peter Alonso

STRONG HEART, rb, Lim, 2023 [Altman Plants]

Bonfigli (CA): I acquired this in May on sale at Lowes and planted it the day after purchasing it, and so far, it looks to be a keeper. Deep red OGR-formed blooms are produced on a plant which boasts glossy foliage which has shown very slight mildew but no other diseases of any kind - and, most important of all - no RUST! It is blooming right now in the heat, and while the blooms are more medium than dark red on this bloom cycle, they do not show any fading nor any discoloration of any kind. Another cane is shooting up which promises to contain several blooms, and I can't wait to assess its full exhibition potential after viewing it. Overall, a great acquisition for the garden with large, well-formed OGR-style blooms which may have the possible potential to show. Get ready, people, because this rose represents the future "wave" of roses: OGR form; good color/disease-resistant foliage; vigorous plant; easy availably at the big-box stores. **Van Vlack**, (AZ): I just acquired this rose in February and currently have it in a container. It's a big, strong plant with large, glossy, deep green leaves. It hasn't bloomed much and the few last spring did not give me a feeling for what's to come. I expected it to be solid red, but it was more of a blend. We'll have to wait and watch.



'The Divine Miss M' Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

THE DIVINE MISS M, wb, Jalbert, 2020 [Pal]

Capote (NY): So far, my bush is just sitting there. All I got was one deformed bloom and it has not grown much since being planted this spring. I am being patient with this one because I know it has potential. Those planted at the New York Botanical Gardens only a few miles from my house have perfect exhibition form flowers that are ridiculously fragrant. This variety may just need much more time to mature than the average rose. **Huffer** (GA): Cream/white in the heat and lemon/cream in cooler temps. Sweet fragrance. Blooms are more floribunda size. Decorative blooms show no exhibition potential. **Strong** (CA): I tried to get it from Palatine this year, and they say they did not distribute any. As far as I know, they were the only ones that marketed it.



'The Philospher's Rose' Photo by Tom Mayhew

THE PHILOSOPHER'S ROSE, pb, Smith, 2022 [Silver Run Roses]

Borrmann (PA): Interesting blend of colors. Will work well with Sunny Sundays in a collection. Need to wait for the bush to mature. Slow to repeat but maybe worth it. Time will tell. Capote (NY): This is a gorgeous rose, but so far has been the worst rose developed by John Smith that I have ever grown. It was a blackspot magnet despite being nuked with spray and it was not vigorous. When the flash freeze came, this rose died to the ground, despite being protected under a rose cone. Since it was not vigorous, it struggled to come back in the spring but ran out of gas and died. It is such a shame because the blooms were gorgeous! Geltz (PA): Lovely, pastel color, medium size blooms with good form. The color contrast could be stronger to compete with current pink blends. The plant takes a few years to develop. Hering (OH): Pink blend or yellow blend – so far has good form but too soon to tell about exhibition potential. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful exhibition quality blooms with coloring similar to Gemini, one of it parents, with some pale yellow coloring inside the bloom form the other parent, Sunny Sundays. Will definitely show well, but I think it will need to be winter protected in colder regions. A few friends and I, have lost bushes that were not protected, but we also had some late freezes, that may have caused the problem. Mayhew (PA): A hybrid tea rose with a beautiful exhibition form pink blend bloom. Unfortunately, it seems to be tender in my Climate Zone 7b, and it did not survive the winter of 2022 in my garden. Pavlovich (AZ): A fabulous new rose from hybridizer John Smith that was introduced in 2022. It is white with light pink edging which reminds you of the color of 'Secret'. It has high centered blooms on long stems with dark foliage that has grown in our garden for two years. It is another elite rose from this hybridizing genius that exhibitors will love. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): First year plant is growing fairly well. The blooms have nice and consistently good form. The color of the blooms does not fade in summer heat.



'Top Cream'
Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

TOP CREAM, wb, Meilland Richardier, 2021 [Star, Edmunds, Chamblee's]

Shockley (AR): Love this little landscape rose. The small white decorative blooms mas good size sprays. **Edmunds Roses:** The large, old-fashioned, abundant-petaled blooms are creamy white with an occasional light pink blush. Eexcellent disease resistance. Glossy green foliage.



'True Inspiration'
Photo by Peter Alonso

TRUE INSPIRATION, mp, Lim, 2019 [Alt, J&P]

Abshire (**LA**): Nice old fashioned form that didn't bloom much. Very thorny. Given away. **Flynn** (**LA**): Not an exhibition form bloom. Was a healthy plant in my spray garden. Didn't produce blooms on long strong stems and didn't impress me enough to keep it. **Garrett** (**TN**): New plant is growing well and blooms medium pink blooms are nice, but have not seen exhibition form. **Krause** (**TX**): this rose has not performed as well with bloom count, disease resistant, probably too much shade, will move next spring.



'True Passion'
Photo by Tom Mayhew

TRUE PASSION (Double 10), or, Lim, 2019 [Alt, J&P]

Abshire (LA): Trialed this rose in a pot for a couple years. Pretty tough rose that did well in our heat. Eye popping coral/orange color. Gave it away as a door prize. Bowen (LA): Vibrant red/orange blooms but they are small and on short stems. Disease resistant but foliage isn't very attractive. Won't keep much longer. **Drever (KS):** Love the orange, will be useful in arrangements. Eckley (CO): Three years. Three inches. Have two plants. Used to have three plants. Bunny ate one. Not sad about bunny's meal. Flynn (LA): unique, bright orange-red color. The bloom hold their decorative form and true color for 6-7 days. Disease resistant with strong, straight stems and deep green foliage keeps its dark color even in the summer heat. Garrett (TN): New plant is vigorous grower with vibrant orange blooms, but we haven't seen any exhibition form yet. Krause (TX): Two year rose, in a pot last year, put it in the ground and it took off, covered with orangered blooms, loves the heat, disease resistant, good garden rose. Mayhew (PA): First-year plant is disease free and growing vigorously. It is producing some nice medium sized orange-red blooms with many petals. Not much fragrance. A nice garden rose. McBrien (MO): Bright orange-red flowers, but really not a hybrid tea. It is more of a flor. ibunda or shrub. Flower color in same group as Kordes' Brillant, Brilliant Veranda, Prominent, and Salita. Strong (CA): Not a hybrid tea in any sense of the word. A shrub. But if you want a BRIGHT orange shrub that is low growing for landscape purposes, this is your plant.



'Vibrant Vonnie' Photo by Steven Roussell

VIBRANT VONNIE, pb, Roussell, 2021 [K&M, Wisc]

Bonfigli (CA): I had such high hopes for it, but in two years, the plant produced blooms which exhibited poor centers and unexciting, blotchy color, which was the exact opposite of the droolworthy blooms which I viewed in the pics. I so wanted this to be a success, but sadly, it was a major disappointment. Borrmann (PA): This one will be interesting to watch. Color is a pinkblend, but it is different from the other pink-blends I currently grow. Last fall it started throwing exhibition blooms. This is one to watch! Fulgham (TX): After two years I continue to get a very few outstanding blooms on a plant that is not vigorous. I have concluded that you cannot put a multi-flora plant in a bed full of established plants on fortuniana, even if you replaced the soil. Love the color and long-lasting blooms, form is good sometimes, stem and foliage are weak. **Huffer (GA):** Excellent exhibition blooms on long stems. Was an early bloomer so I didn't have anything for the shows. Garrett (TN): The red and white blooms are beautiful and will show. So far, our plant needs a little more vigor. **Koch** (**TX**): I have several young plants on fortuniana that I am watching. A beautiful pink blend that can have classic form but have yet to see larger size. Grows well with straight stems and good repeat. I like this rose. Pavlovich (AZ): A white rose with red edging, I have seen some superb exhibition blooms with high centers on our plant after growing it for two years. This creation by hybridizer Steven Roussell is a stunner when it is right. Roussell (LA): Large, white blooms with red edges. Short plant. Does well in the heat. At times will produce Queen quality blooms. Shockley (AR): Another Roussell favorite of mine! The color is strikingand the form is excellent. It makes huge blooms. Singer (WI): Large blooms of white/pink with many petals and good form. Tilley (WA): First vibrant pink blooms look promising with great size, occasional form. Need to see more. Ware (TX): Too new to tell. First year plants taking off slowly.



'White Princess' (formerly DJW)
Photo by Steve Singer

WHITE PRINCESS (formerly DJW), w, Johnson, 2023 [WI]

Baker (GA): New bush is growing fast. White with slight yellow center. Too soon to tell about form. Bonfigli (CA): I'll start with the plusses: LONG stems, good white color. Now the bad: Sparse foliage which seems to be susceptible to rust in the cold, wet weather which we often experience {as are many other popular whites}; and petalage is very heavy, which makes it difficult for the blooms to open properly. I will continue to observe its performance and hope for improvement next year. Still waiting for The Great White Hope... Capote (NY): So far, I got one bloom on this newly planted rose. It is too early to tell yet if it has any exhibition potential. Its form was good, but the bush is young. Unfortunately, though this bloom spots bad, worse than most other white roses I grow. This rose may need to have its blooms protected in the future to get it ready for a show. Garrett (TN): 1st year maiden in growing nicely. Creamy white blooms have good form but so far size has not quite been there. Guillebeau (FL): New plant from Wisconsin Roses. Very vigorous with long stems and dark foliage. It's going to be a Queen before long. Really like mine. Hering (OH): First year for me – good form so far but too soon to be sure. **Huffer (GA):** Gorgeous, pure white, high-centered blooms on a young plant. Has serious potential. Koch (TX): Maiden plant new to my garden. Clean, beautiful white blooms have size in the spring but are smaller in the heat. Stems and foliage are good and have seen exhibition form on most blooms. I'm keeping her! Miller (OH): This is the first year I have grown this rose. The blooms so far seem to be exhibition quality. I hope to enter it in a show this fall. Moore (NE): This rose has had a few blooms of good form, but since it is new the blooms were rather small for a hybrid tea. More are on the way and hopefully will increase in size as it matures. Rogers (MO): I have only grown this rose three months. It is having its second bloom cycle. Good exhibition form on

singular long stems. No disease. **Singer (WI):** Now officially called White Princess, this white HT is a cross of Gemini X Hot Princess. Large blooms have beautiful show form with 35-40 petals. Great form, long stems, upright, growth habit. Very nice! **Stream (FL):** First year plant is still small with small blooms that have perfect, high-centered form. High petal count gives longer vase life. Very little issues with diseases. **Wilkinson (GA):** If this maiden plant continues to grow and bloom like the first two blooms I saw, it will be a good one. Should be on the head table soon. **Williams (WA):** New this year, with great potential.

Grandifloras

Honor Roll: Gold Medal, South Africa, Wild Blue Yonder



'Alex's Lemonade Stand' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

ALEX'S LEMONADE STAND, my, Bedard, 2020 [J&P]

Huffer (**GA**): Golden yellow blooms with nice form but of floribunda size. Strong, fruity fragrance. A keeper. **Strong** (**CA**): This one is really unique in color. Never seen anything like it. Yellow, but towards the tan-grey side, like a lighter, yellower Honey Dijon. Decent form.



'All Dressed Up'
Photo courtesy of Breck's Roses

ALL DRESSED UP, mp, Bedard, 2019 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Bechtle (MN): This rose is a new addition to my garden this year. Its first bloom cycle produced a number of large blooms. The blooms do not possess the classic hybrid tea exhibition form, but its exhibition stage is show-stopping. Bush has long stems with dark green foliage. Blooms have a long vase life. It is certainly worth growing to exhibit in an English or American box, a Grandiflora spray, an arrangement, or if a show schedule has a separate decorative rose class. The blooms are of a darker shade of pink. Color does not fade as it opens. The bush itself has exceptional vigor. **Humphrey (OR):** Love the pretty pink ruffly sprays, but mine suffered greatly over the winter. Looks good in the Portland Rose Garden. Not exhibition form. **Rankin & Valentovic (WV):** Nice color on blooms but the petals lose substance quickly. More of a garden variety rose. **Strong (CA):** Shrub form grandiflora, which makes it probably useless for exhibition. But if compared with shrubs, it compares favorably. Fragrant, long-lasting blooms that are pretty. **Tiffany (CA):** Big, nearly Princess Alexandra of Kent-size and color of blooms that are moderately fragrant. Pinpoint center is not there, but a very nice bouquet rose.



'Blushing Lavender'
Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

BLUSHING LAVENDER, m, Carruth, 2023 [J&P]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Jackson & Perkins: Blushing Lavender flowers in continuous waves over a long season, from late spring to late fall. Borne singly and in small clusters, the elegant, 4-5 inch, spiraled double blooms have 35 to 50 lavender petals with a light pink blush. They are moderately fragranced with a sweet, fruity scent and sit atop medium to somewhat short, sturdy stems that are ideal for cutting. Blushing Lavender is a medium-sized bush with an upright, slightly spreading habit and good disease resistance.



'Crazy Love' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

CRAZY LOVE, yb, Kordes, 2019 [Edmds, Heir, J&P, Pal, Chamblee's]

Abshire (**LA**): Thought I would be crazy about this one but the growth habit is too tall and funky. Has not bloomed much at all. Decorative form. Bagley (TX): Canes are nine feet tall! Get a ladder to view blooms which are lovely in cooler weather. No form for exhibition. Ball (WA): Oh, that I could have an entire field of Crazy Love! It's a star in my garden and looks stunning in the vase. (It exhibits very well in spray form.) Beyond that, it may be one of the healthiest and most prolific rose I've ever owned. She's a keeper. **Bulman (CA):** On fort and turns out to be much too tall and not for exhibitors. Does not have the form or talent to spray such as South Africa. Foliage is great and even during our overcast spring, no mildew. Garrett (TN): Vigorous disease resistant plant. Ruffled blooms are an attractive blend of deep yellow and orange, but we don't see a lot of exhibition potential. **Huff (CA):** Puts out long canes on fortuniana rootstock. Blooms hold nicely. Splash of pink/red on the blooms. **Huffer (GA):** Excellent garden rose that gets huge. Not much show potential due to its cup-shaped, decorative flowers. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful color on a strong healthy bush that produces nice sprays for the show table or great garden color. Very disease resistant and winter hardy too! McBrien (MO): Interesting orange blend flowers more like an old garden rose when they open fully. Plant is tall and does reasonably well. Wickert (OH): This is an excellent garden rose, but I'm not sure it will do well as an exhibition rose. It has a beautiful combination of colors and the plant produces a good number of blooms. My issues with it as an exhibition rose are that the blooms don't last long for me after being cut and the weight of the bloom seem to cause the stem to droop over when put in a vase.



'Fun In The Sun' Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

FUN IN THE SUN, yb, Bedard, 2021 [Edmds, Weeks, Chamblee's]

Bechtle (MN): This rose is in its first year in my garden. Its first bloom cycle produced a number of large, striking flowers. The blooms do not possess the classic exhibition form but their exhibition stage is still stunning. Used this variety in a winning vase of three blooms in a rose show this spring. Long showy stems with dark green foliage. Worth growing to exhibit in a fragrance category, English or American box, a challenge class that does not require exhibition form blooms, or if a show schedule has a separate decorative rose class. The blooms start with a deep apricot in the center with the outer petals fading to light yellow. The bush itself has exceptional vigor. Capote (NY): This rose had some of the most beautiful blooms I have ever seen! Its blooms literally looked like little suns, like the photos taken of the sun from space! They were yellow orange with red flecks. Unfortunately, it got every disease under the sun! It was a magnet for Blackspot, Downey, Rust, and Powdery Mildew. After 4 years of this (I had this rose since it was previewed), I was tired of it getting sick despite being sprayed and infecting its neighbors. It is now gone. Cooney (CA): Didn't get past first year in garden. Bright yellow blooms that last about an hour and then drop. Made it to the raffle table. Garrett (TN): The light apricot blooms can be large and colorful, but the form is fleeting. Our bush has lacked vigor. Horn (CA): The yellow and apricot blend blooms come in small sprays with old-fashioned form. Glossy dark green foliage produces good disease resistance and strong fragrance is a bonus. I anticipate it will show. Humphrey (OR): Nice sprays of unusual colors ranging from cream, tan, to light apricot. Not exhibition form. Tilley (WA): Fourth year in the ground and it is still barely waist high. Blooms are colorful but very small and come mostly in sprays. Nice if you need a floribunda and it is only a mediocre floribunda at that. I will ask again... Who classifies these blooms anyway. Van Boxtel (CA): I've had this rose for two years now, but it's more of a landscaping rose in my opinion. The rose blooms constantly, but it's not interesting enough for me. I love roses that are more striking and show exhibition form. I will probably be removing this rose at the end of the year to make room for other roses.



'Honey Bee Kind' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

HONEY BEE KIND, yellow, Bedard, 2019 [J&P]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Jackson & Perkins: The bright yellow blooms contrast beautifully against the dark green foliage. It has a slight peppery fragrance and is resistant to powdery mildew and rust



'Marie Caroline' Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

MARIE CAROLINE, mp, Adam, 2020 [Pal]

Stever (NY): In third year it is growing in height. Blooms are large and colorful on short stems. Listed by Palatine as a grandiflora. Nothing special. **Strong (CA):** New for me, but probably on the outgoing pile. Not impressed. Muddy color. Single blooms, no sprays.



'Pop Art' Photo by Ann Kameoka

POP ART, yb, Bedard, 2020 [Spring Hill]

Garrett (TN): Barely made it through the harsh winter, but is recovering nicely. The peachy pink and yellow stripped blooms are attractive with ruffled form. Might be useful in open bloom class. Krause (TX): Love the light pink and creamy yellow striped blooms. Replaced this one after losing one I bought last year to the freeze, having trouble getting a good bush with the heat. Monge (CA): I so wanted to like this rose with its unusual coloring. The petals are too delicate to hold up against any heat. Not a vigorous grower and like many yellows, has a ton of blind shoots. It is not Grandiflora. One bloom per stem. Not tall and stingy with the blooms. Another destined for the green waste. Rankin & Valentovic - (WV): Very unique color to the blooms. Not a real striped color but everyone who sees the bloom really likes the colors. Have had a couple people see this rose and it became the first rose in their garden. Growth so far is moderate. This is a garden rose but will draw people's attention. Rousell (LA): Yellow blooms with medium pink stripes from Weeks Roses. English style bloom on a compact plant. Nice rose with moderate fragrance. Strong (CA): Newbie here, but it is gonna be a favorite. Very subtle stripes, great fragrance and shrubby cupped form (which I like, but it is about as far as you can get from exhibition form). Tilley (WA): First blooms are really colorful but have no exhibition aspirations so far. Plant is growing well, but blooms are on the small size and come mainly in clusters. Won fragrance award at the Portland Rose Festival. Van Boxtel (CA): Pop Art needs a year to adjust and set roots. I have had this rose for two years as a bush and a tree. The tree is very top-heavy and I don't recommend it, unless you really want a big rose tree. The bush is easy to grow. It does get some powdery mildew in spring.



'Show Your Stripes' Photo by Kathy Strong

SHOW YOUR STRIPES, pb, Carruth, 2019 [J&P]

Strong (CA): Blah striped roses. Looks like every other striped rose out there. Nothing to distinguish it. The blooms look like Julio Iglesias, which is the better rose.



'Sitting Pretty'
Photo courtesy of Star Roses

SITTING PRETTY, mp, Radler, 2021 [Edmd, Star]

Van Vlack, (AZ): Thriving at 6300 ft altitude. Blooms in flushes, and clear pink, form is decorative like a shrub with 30-40 petals.



'State of Grace' Photo by Suzanne Horn

STATE OF GRACE [Sport of Uptown Girl], ab. Bedard, 2020 [Edmds, Chamblee's]

Clark (CA): Similar to Distant Drums in color. Shrub form blooms can be showy in sprays. Evans (CA): Prolific spray production (decorative form) with decent fragrance. Clean foliage. Fairly large bush, despite being in a pot. Horn (CA): This is my fourth year growing this rose, which presents an apricot/yellow blend of hues with old garden rose form. As a garden rose, it has exceeded my expectations. It is a large, vigorous plant, providing individual one-stem blooms and small sprays. It has medium green matte foliage that is surprisingly disease resistant. I liked the rose so much in its first year that I added two more. I was certain that it was going to be a very good show rose. Unfortunately, it has one real downside for exhibition. It does not refrigerate at all. I had about five sprays to take to a District Show, and every single bloom literally turned to mush in the refrigerator. Not one made it to the show. I will see if I can take this rose to the show by cutting it the night before and not refrigerating it at all. That's the only hope I see for it as a show rose. Huffer (GA): Just a nice garden rose. Extremely disease resistant and quick repeat bloomer. Zero show potential. Humphrey (OR) Kind of weird rust-yellow/orange colors. Good sprays, but that's it. Nye (RI): This was an own root plant that just never quite made it. For a Grandiflora it did not obtain the long canes and exhibition form. Unfortunately, the past RI winter it did not make it at all. Plasz (IL): 20 plants in 2 plantings in the Libertyville Public Rose Garden three winters and no losses. Public loves the rose! **Sommers (WI):** Tall plant with many decorative **Tiffany** (**CA**): This girl is tall and she loves to produce heavy clusters of roses. Haven't disbudded much to one bloom to see how she does with that, but those clusters are great by themselves. Not sure if I really like the color, sort of washed out. **Van Boxtel** (**CA**): This is one of my most striking roses, and I think the rose appears to look like a peony. This rose blooms from April to October, but it's not a great rose in shows. The bloom sprays are heavy, usually needing to be staked. There is no fragrance. The prickles/thorns on this rose are some of the sharpest in my garden. It's very hard to touch bare-handed. The roses stay intact on the stem for a couple of weeks. **Wright** (**AR**): The peachy orange blooms attract attention in the garden and add good color from a distance. Likely not an exhibition rose but well worth keeping in the garden.



'Sweet Fragrance'
Photo courtesy of NVK Nurseries

SWEET FRAGRANCE, ob. Lim, 2020 (Re-release)

Anderson (WI): The first season there were lots of blooms, many sprays and lots of leaves. With a huge change in our spring and summer weather this year, a cool and dry spring, then a hot and humid with little rain summer, it has made this bush conserve energy within the leaves and buds – all smaller than usual and very slow to bloom. Typically, the blooms start out a bit cupped-shaped, as a 3.5" bloom of 35 petals in apricot-coral color with a sweet rose fragrance. This bush needs a lot of water and fertilizer, and grows to 3.0 feet. It is tender in my zone 3b. Bever (CO): Won a second-place ribbon with it last year. I expect great things from this rose at future shows. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2018. Good garden rose, prolific bloomer, winter hardy in our climate. Hogrefe (NE): Attractive booms, every garden needs at least one. Huffer (GA): Superior garden rose. Occasional high quality blooms.



'Sweet Spirit' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

SWEET SPIRIT, mr, Meilland, 2019 [Star, J&P]

Abshire (LA): Plants are doing very well with healthy foliage. Doesn't mind the heat & humidity. Good landscape plant. Bohne (GA): Very disease-free plant. Abundant cherry red blooms. Fragrant. Good landscape plant. Bowen (LA): Reddish/magenta blooms have a nice fragrance but form is very loose. Disease resistant. Capote (NY) This is an excellent garden rose but has little show potential except for possibly being entered in the fragrance class. It has small blooms on short stems on nodding peduncles and its blooms need more petals to hold their centers. However, it is also highly disease resistant, drought resistant, winter hardy, and exceptionally fragrant. It might be a great rose for a new person to the hobby or for someone looking to grow fragrant roses without chemicals but not for the serious rose exhibitor. Cook (TX): Very large bush with sprawling growth. Blooms very well and is fragrant and holds it color in 100-degree heat. Dreyer (KS): A good potential rose for arrangements and fragrance classes. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2021. Good garden rose, repeats well. Lovely cherry red color, not all blooms are exhibition shaped. No evidence of diseases, winter hardy. Hicks (AR): I made the mistake of keying on the word "red" in the description first year and planted it where it really needed to be red to work. Moved it this year to where it could work more as a violet red, and it is much prettier. Sweet Spirit is growing next to salvia Guaranitica (blue/black salvia) and every time I walk by, I do a double take, it is so gorgeous. Sweet Spirit survived two exceptionally harsh winters plus a transplant early this year with no ill effects. Grown with no chemicals this year, the rose has exhibited superb black spot and disease resistance throughout this hot, wet summer. Huffer (GA): Disease free

plant and excellent repeat bloomer with a fabulous fragrance. Decorative form. It won in the open bloom class for me. **Kozemchak (PA):** Very strong fragrance, no form. Should do very well in Fragrance classes or in a spray class. Great, healthy garden rose. **Roussell (LA):** Great disease resistance and fragrance. 4" blooms on a medium size plant. Great rose for beginning rosarians. Very hardy. **Sommers (WI):** Second year plant is putting on a real show this year with deep fuchsia decorative blooms. Blooms mostly singles with limited sprays. Hardy and disease resistant. Rather short to be a Grandiflora – but stunning in the garden. **Strong (CA):** Keeper, here. I like most everything about it. Good form, good scent, good rich color. **Tilley (WA):** Showed very little in the two years in my garden. Shovel-pruned!



'Uptown Girl'
Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

UPTOWN GIRL, pb, Carruth, 2022 [Spring H., Brecks, Select, Heir, Chamblee's]

ARS: Has moderate fruit and spice-scented, warm coral-pink blooms with a deep, orange-toned interior. Pointed ovoid buds open to old-fashioned, spiraled and fully double large blooms that are borne on medium-long stems. The bushy, medium-green foliage is glossy, with good disease resistance. **Bonfigli (CA):** Another end-of-bare-root-season acquisition. This one impressed me on the first bloom cycle with its beautiful, disease resistant foliage, unusual warm orange-pink color and a couple of decent sprays. I think that this one is going to be a keeper which will work well in the garden and landscape and will produce some sprays which just might catch the judge's eye. Seems to be very disease resistant. **Spring Hill:** An old-fashioned style rose, Uptown Girl blooms with the "quartered" look typical of English roses. Its petals are tucked into a cup shape, in serried ranks with a scalloped appearance. Medium-sized, coral-pink flowers feature a darker reverse and outstanding color retention.

Floribundas

Honor Roll: Cinco de Mayo, Dancing Pink, Day Breaker, Hannah Gordon, Julia Child, Kanegem, Ketchup & Mustard, Lavaglut, Oh My!, Pinnacle, Playgirl, Sexy Rexy, Sheila's Perfume, Sparkle & Shine, Fabulous! And now Celestial Night



'Angel Kisses' Photo by Dave Bang

ANGEL KISSES, mp, Bang, 2020

Bagley (TX): A beautifully shaped and colored bloom on this floribunda. I think it is one to watch. Becker (FL): Died during hurricane and winter temps. Will try to replace. Bowen (LA): White blooms with pink edges have very nice form. Refrigerates well. Makes nice sprays. Does get a little blackspot. Really like this rose. Capote (NY) I planted this as an own-root rose from K&M and its blooms were spectacular! Even though the plant was young, it produced large white blooms blushing pink that had perfect spiral exhibition form. Unfortunately, this rose is not at all winter hardy. Even mulched up well, its canes went black to the ground once the temperature fell below freezing. This one probably needs a rose cone to survive up north. Deck (AR): Died in our terrible winter and will not be replaced. The blooms looked just exactly like the pictures and had good form. The bush just would not grow in the two years I had it, even on Fortuniana rootstock. Garrett (TN): Our 2 plants are both lacking vigor, but the blooms are a beautiful pink and white coloration with exhibition form. If we could only get it to grow! Martin (CA): The initial blooms of ivory white edged with a little pink are quite promising. The high-centered well-formed blooms are so far one-to-a-stem. The bush is growing strongly. It is said to be a floribunda and does appear to be on the large side for a miniflora. Roussell (LA): Very beautiful sprays of 4" blooms on a compact

plant by Dave Bang. **Shockley (AR):** White blushed pink blooms on a nice sized bush with shiny leaves makes you look twice. The blooms have good form and hold; could be a good exhibition rose. **Stever (NY):** Grew well. Beautiful blooms! Did not survive wacky spring weather. Hope to be able to replace. **Stream (FL):** Did not grow on its own roots and we did not replace it after the freeze. Not sure I could recommend it since we saw so few blooms. **Tiffany (CA):** First TRUE floribunda from Dave Bang. The blooms are good size, color pale cream with a little pink on edges. **Ware (TX):** Two new bushes but are growing well. Pretty color and form seems to be there.



'Angel's Delight' Photo by Brad Jalbert

ANGEL'S DELIGHT, lp, 2023, Jalbert [Select, Chamblee's]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Chamblee's: This very English looking romantic old rose is packed with over 100 petals. Blooms comein shades of cream with tinges of very soft pink and apricot. Fragrance is anise with lemon.



'Ay Caramba!' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

AY CARAMBA!, ob, Bedard, 2022 [J&P]

Capote (NY): This rose was gorgeous. I just loved the blooms and had high hopes for it. Unfortunately, it did not survive the winter in my area and is gone. Huff (CA) Love the color. Putting out great sprays.



'Beyond Fabulous!'
Photo by Brad Jalbert

BEYOND FABULOUS!, y, 2021, Jalbert [Select]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Select: This gorgeous plant produces masses of rich golden roses that combine the best of a modern rose with a fully double cottage rose flowers. They have a lovely anise fragrance. First June blooms often tinged in pink. The foliage is thick glossy deep green and highly resistant to all rose diseases.



'Blazing Star'
Photo by Ray Guillibeau

BLAZING STAR, rb, Ray Guillebeau, 2020

Guillebeau (FL): Cherry red semi-double rose with white reverse. White star shaped on red when open. Vigorous with long stems and good foliage.



'Bliss Parfuma' Photo by Tom Mayhew

BLISS PARFUMA, ab, Kordes, 2019 [Pal, Chamblee's]

Dale (GA): 2nd yr. healthy, own root bush by Kordes from their Fairy Tale Collection. Has settled in nicely and is producing light pink, decorative form blooms. Have not seen any sprays. No issues with diseases. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2020. Beautiful rose, a favorite of those who walk through my garden and at our local rose show last year. Both the color and the fragrance are enticing. I have planted a second one in 2022. People who love peonies love this rose. Huffer (GA): Creamy pink, old fashioned blooms. Moderate fragrance. Decorative, disease resistant, garden rose. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful light apricot color on a healthy, good growing bush, produces nice sprays, will show. Martin (CA): An older Kordes rose introduced initially in Germany as Märchenzauber, and elsewhere as Bliss, Fairytale Magic and now in the U.S. as Bliss Parfuma, presumably to emphasize its fragrance. The latter is actually said to be only "moderate" which you could not prove with my testimony. Austin would have called it a shrub since it displays well-sized delicate pink blooms of English Style form on a moderate bush. Mayhew (PA): This is a very nice, healthy and hardy rose, but it needs some room to grow. It grows more like a shrub rose with dense, healthy foliage on a wide plant, about 4 feet wide and 7 feet tall or even larger. The very beautiful blooms are very full and of a decorative form with lots of petals. It has a nicely fragrant pink blend bloom. It puts out a lot of sprays. A good garden rose if you have the room for it. I have two very large plants, 4 years old. Roussell (LA): English style blooms on a very healthy, disease resistant plant. Moderate fragrance. Beautiful. Strong (CA): Highly overrated, as far as I can see. Taube (TN): Lovely rose with delicate coloring has what I consider classic 'shrub' or OGR form but it is beautiful. Mine has been slow to establish (this is its third year) and not a prolific bloomer but I am happy to wait on it. Van Lenten (SC): Very fragrant and pretty bloom with many petals. Blooms come mostly singly. Suitable for the decorative show class.

BRICK HOUSE PINK – SEE PINK BRICK HOUSE, p, 2021, Sproul, [Star]



'Bright & Shiny'
Photo courtesy of Star Roses

BRIGHT & SHINY, ab, Radler, 2020 [Star]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Star Roses: Blooms in a bright, cheerful color of apricot-orange mixed with yellow that finish light pink. The foliage is dark green and glossy. American Rose Trials for Sustainability Winner.



Brindabella Pink Princess' Photo courtesy of Hirt's Gardens

BRINDABELLA PINK PRINCESS, pb, Gilham, 2020 [WalMart, Home Depot]

Dreyer (KS): Vigorous as first year plant. Beautiful HT-like blooms with some fragrance. **Garrett (TN):** Blooms were small and uninteresting. Discarded!



'Burst of Joy'
Photo courtesy of Breck's Roses

BURST OF JOY, ob, Carruth, 2020 [Edmds, Weeks]

Ball (WA) I love the color and form. I would not say it's all that healthy and the blooms are small. Bever (CO): This is only its second summer in our garden. I love the blooms, and think it will show well in the future. Capote (NY): I love the colors on this rose! Unfortunately, this rose does not like Brooklyn! I have lost 3 to winter kill despite my best efforts at winter protection each year since it came on the market. I vowed never to try once again, but then, one was donated to my local rose society by a local nursery to raise money at our rose sale and guess what, the chump in me now has bush number 4. Those colors and that form is just so magical. I hope the 4th time is the charm! **Dale** (GA): Striking orange blooms but has had severe blackspot problems the last two years despite being sprayed. Shovel pruned. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2021. Good exhibition shape. Repeats well, disease resistant and hardy in our climate. Garrett (TN): Put this variety on multiflora rootstock and it is growing and blooming much better. Spring blooms were beautiful and had exhibition potential. We expect this orange blend variety to do well in shows. Gordon (CA): My rating of this rose is 8.2. It is winter hardy in N. CA. Slight mildew in Spring. Tall, even in a pot. Good cut for arrangements and show. Light fragrance, gorgeous coloration with orange and yellow reverse. Prolific bloomer. Stems can be short. Old blooms are not attractive. Memorial rose for our deceased Golden Retriever dog. A keeper. Hogrefe (NE): Good variety in the garden for color, not a show rose, mostly single bloom. Lockhart (KY): Orange blend with good exhibition form. Produces mostly solitary blooms with good size. Has good foliage. Miller (OH): Very prolific bloomer. Has some very nice sprays. Sommers (WI) I really like the color with the orange blooms and yellow reverse but I haven't seen sprays in the three years I grew it. This rose

also seems to get blackspot more than any rose in my garden. Blooms have hybrid tea form. Gone. **Stream (FL):** Grew two plants for three years before giving up. Never saw blooms like in the photos. Plant stayed small and was a blackspot magnet. **Tiffany (CA):** Mostly individual blooms are without exhibition centers but great color. **Van Boxtel (CA):** This is a surprisingly good rose. After the more-than-normal powdery mildew issues in the spring, this rose takes off. I have perfect exhibition style blooms, and some double blooms. I love this rose, despite the powdery mildew issues. I grow this as a tree, and it doesn't get top-heavy nor does it have issues with long stems.



'Camille Pissarro' Photo by Keira Kozemchak

CAMILLE PISSARRO, yb, Delbard, 2020 [Cert, Chamblee's]

Garrett (TN): We added a new plant and it is a lot more vigorous than the 1st one. The frilly red, pink, and yellow blooms are eye-catching and this will make a nice spray for exhibition. Settle (AL): Very colorful but not show quality. Cold sensitive and is struggling this year. Strong (CA): Newly introduced (again) by Certified, hence the "2020" designation. Camille has always been one of my very favorite striped roses. Tiffany (CA): Love stripes AND artist roses. Blooms regularly, semi double with a nice yellow mix in the red/white stripe. Good rose but short stems. Van Boxtel (CA): Of all the Painter's Collection roses, this rose is one of the hardest to grow. I have tried to grow this rose for two years, and it's not a happy camper in my garden. It needs full sun (no shade at all) and, excellent soil. I have tried to grow it in the ground and in a pot, and it doesn't like being in a pot. The rose is very similar in color to Maurice Utrillo and Alfred Sisley, but I prefer Maurice Utrillo of these three due to its health and easy ability to enter shows.



'Diablo Hawk' Photo by Paul Barden

DIABLO HAWK, dr, Barden, 2020 [Rogue]

Strong (CA): Newbie here, but I like these very, very dark colors so far. Shy grower. Wickert (OH): This rose has a beautiful, dark red color. If you can line up a quality bloom with the date of your rose show, I think it will do well. The downsides here in NE Ohio are that it blackspots heavily and it dies back almost to the crown every winter.



'Double Ambre'
Photos by Brad Jalbert

DOUBLE AMBRE, ob, Jalbert, 2021 [Select]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Jalbert: Gorgeous long lasting English style roses on a well behaved healthy plant.



'Double Easy Orange' Photo Courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

DOUBLE EASY ORANGE, ob, Carruth, 2021 [J&P]

Capote (NY) I said it last year and I will say it again, a beautiful rose with a horrible name! Its flowers are gorgeous shade of dark orange to bronze. Unfortunately, mine was winter killed from a late spring freeze, but it looked like it had good show potential. If Jackson & Perkins offers this rose for next spring, I will surely try it again. McBrien (MO): This one is still in a pot and needs to be planted. I hope it will be hardy because it has some beautiful flowers that would be a good substitute or alternative to Austin's Summer Song. The flowers have more old garden rose form and have a good orange sherbet color. It would blend well with other oranges and apricots. A planting of these could be quite pretty.



'Dream Weaver'
Photo by Bob Martin

DREAM WEAVER, pb, Schmitz, 2020 [Pal]

Martin (CA): We are speaking here of the floribunda bred by Rene Schmitz of Canada and introduced by Palatine Roses in 2020. It is not the Dream Weaver climber by Keith Zary from his J&P days. This one is a moderate upright bush that produces salmon pink blooms of English Style form, somewhat small, either one-to-a-stem or in small clusters. I kinda like it but I'm not yet convinced on how it will show.



'Empathy'
Photo by Burling Leong

EMPATHY, rb, Leong, 2021 [Burling]

Eckley (CO): Amazing colors looking for stems and size. I like everything about this one from colors to perfect blooms. Impressive. Have three. Double color bloom. Second year, still waiting for stem. Ekuan (CA): My reason for getting this rose was the nice things expressed by Chris Greenwood. So far, the rose looks very promising with the large colorful bicolor blooms disposed mostly in clusters. The rose is mildew resistant and will show well. Huffer (GA): Red blend with white center bred by Burling Leong. Small and large clusters. Prolific bloomer. Such a pleasure to grow. Will show in the spray class. Greenwood (CA): Hybridized by Burling Leong. Plants are compact and presents lovely sprays of single red blooms with a white center. Plants are clean and show no signs of disease. Grows well on its own roots. Strong (CA): I like it. New from Burling, and a very slow grower. But pretty when you do get a bloom, almost indistinguishable from Tootsie, another slow grower here.



'Escondido Sunset' Photo by Dona Martin

ESCONDIDO SUNSET, ob, Martin, 2020

Horn (CA): Orange-peach blend blooms with old fashioned form on this Bob Martin introduction make nice small sprays. It definitely will exhibit and it made the trophy table at the 2022 Pacific Southwest District Show. Huff (CA): Beautiful orange blooms that hold well. On Fortuniana so it's a vigorous grower. **Mahoney (AZ):** This rose still makes me happy when I look at the blooms. In our garden we get blooms that range from a peachy pink to a soft orange. These are set off by the nice foliage and are so pretty as a cut flower in the house. The bush has really struggled this summer with the extreme heat, and I have hope that it will perk back up when the temperatures go down. I love the nice big sprays – they show very nicely – and I have used it in mass arrangements with some success. If it makes it through this summer, we will be evaluating if we should keep it another year. Martin (CA): A cross of Anne Morrow Lindbergh x Julia Child, this makes a moderate bush with excellent foliage that generously produces blooms in small clusters much like Julia Child but in multiple shades of fluorescent orange. The bush grows very well on its own roots and will show. Tiffany (CA): Bob Martin gave this to me as a sister seedling of Ruth Tiffany when he gave me that one. I thought it would never bloom so it staying in a pot for like forever but in the ground this year it has taken off and is now happily producing pale apricot blooms on a smallish plant. Hooray for Anne Morrow Lindbergh progeny. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is amazing and did pretty well in the shows this year. It's not a top winner, but it shows great sprays. The rose does pretty well in partial shade too. It's mostly disease resistant.



'Eyeconic Plum Lemonade' Photo Courtesy of Star Roses

EYECONIC PLUM LEMONADE, m, Sproul, 2020 [Star]

Huffer (**GA**): Third and best season with this one. Beautiful, clustered and single blooms arrive profusely. Stems are longer this year. Won Floribunda King recently. **Tilley** (**WA**) Good grower and bloomer. Looks like 'Easy on the Eyes'. Did not like this past winter; coming back slowly.



'Veranda Fiesta' aka 'Fiesta Veranda' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

FIESTA VERANDA (aka VERANDA FIESTA), dy, Kordes, 2020 [Star, Chamblee's]

Dreyer (KS): seems to laugh at disease. Young plant is a bit stingy with blooms so far, but colorful when they appear. **Garrett (TN):** A really nice and attractive plant with lots of eye-catching yellow blooms that have a deep pink edge. The ruffled blooms make beautiful sprays. **Kozemchak (PA):** Second year plant has produced beautifully colored blooms on a healthy bush. Hopeful to show this one, definitely a very good garden rose. **McBrien (MO):** Nice floribunda with basically yellow flowers sometimes marked with orange or red. It is holding its own even with neglect. I haven't gotten to its bed yet as of this date. **Shockley(AR):** Wow what an excellent little rose that has pretty good form; nice sprays. Will it show? Maybe not but it's a pleasure in the garden. **Van Boxtel (CA):** This is the second year I've had this rose. It's been a little bit of a disappointment. It doesn't have exhibition style blooms, and it doesn't perform well. The blooms fade pretty quickly compared to my other roses. I don't think I will be keeping this rose.



'Forever Amber'
Photo Courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

FOREVER AMBER, ab, Carruth, 2022 [Spring Hill, Chamblee's]

Abshire (**LA**): Very disappointed. Beautiful, decorative flower but a stingy bloomer. Will give it one more year. **Capote** (**NY**) I got this rose on preview. Its flowers were nice but not awe inspiring. They were just a shade of dark, mustard yellow with no real form. When it was winter killed by a late spring freeze, I choose not to replace it. **Clark** (**CA**): Great apricot color, old garden form with many petals. Good at both sprays and single blooms. A nice addition to garden and show. **Eckley** (**CO**): First year. Healthy. **Garrett** (**TN**): New plant has compact growth habit. Apricot blooms have a hint of yellow and lots of petals. Too early to know about exhibition. **McBrien** (**MO**): This one wants to bloom a lot, at least in its pot. The color is variable with the temperature, but the petal count holds well. I am hoping it will do well. It is a good one. **Strong** (**CA**): A new favorite here. Color is the same as Valencia, but this rose has a very unique structure and form. Blooms are one to a stem and it has great hybrid tea form on first opening, then bursts into a fluffernut of a rose. It is hard to believe that the first form turns into the fluffernut, but it does.



'Gold and Great' aka 'Glowing Inspiration' Photo by Brad Jalbert

GOLD AND GREAT aka GLOWING INSPIRATION, ob, Jalbert, 2020 [Chamblee's, Sel] *** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Chamblee's: Floribunda in habit with some single stem blooms, opening to a slightly ruffled double. Deep shades of gold tinged with apricot. Upright, tidy, and drought tolerant.



'Gypsy Carnival'
Photo Courtesy of Edmunds Roses

GYPSY CARNIVAL (Kiboh), ob, Suzuki, Re-Introduced in U.S. 2019 [Otto & Sons] Huffer (GA): Excellent, high-centered blooms and good open blooms too. Some show potential.



'Heavenly' Photo by Dave Bang

HEAVENLY, mp, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (**TX**): Not so heavenly in my garden. Blooms are too small and no floribunda clusters. Lots of cane die back. **Evans** (**CA**): Nice exhibition form, with mostly one bloom per stem. Nice fragrance and blooms last a long time. **Guillebeau** (**FL**): Pink blooms with exhibition form from Dave Bang. It can win the one bloom class. Nothing new to report as I lost the plant to canker. **Ornelas** (**CA**): We love the pink color of this rose but the form often does not hold, especially for exhibition. It is a prolific bloomer. **Stever** (**NY**): It really is. One of the few Bang floribundas that is winter hardy up here. **Ware** (**TX**): Two new bushes, both growing well. Clear color but don't know about exhibition yet.



'Hi Honey' Photo by Dave Bang

HI HONEY, ab, Bang, 2020

Becker (**FL**): Healthy and vigorous grower with well-formed, creamy flowers that have a darker yellow center, mostly in clusters. Occasional exhibition form. Great garden rose with lots of blooms. Keeper. **Taube** (**TN**): I think this is my fourth year to have it and this winter with the extended cold and the flash freeze in March took it to the ground. It is a bloom machine and form is almost always excellent. BUT-blooms have been tiny for me. Miniflora sized. And that is consistent-spring, summer, fall. They don't get bigger with cooler weather.



'Honey Bee Haven' Photo Courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

HONEY BEE HAVEN, op, Jackson & Perkins, 2019 [J&P]

Huff (CA): It's a slow grower but finally it's putting out nice sprays. Shiny leaves. Good form but stems are short. Blooms are nice. Will give it another year.

HUNTINGTON'S 100TH (see Life of The Party)



'It's Gorgeous' Photo by Tom Mayhew

IT'S GORGEOUS, my, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Vigorous and healthy bush with nicely shaped blooms. Blooming even in 100 degrees plus weather. **Chappell (GA):** 2nd year plant appears somewhat slow to grow. Blooms are a bright yellow but on the small side and do not have an abundance of petals. I have not seen potential as a show winner but I would recommend it as a very good garden rose. **Dale (GA):** 2nd yr. bush is still somewhat small compared to other FBs. Non-fading, bright yellow blooms in singles and a few sprays. Slow repeat bloom and bloom size may be too small to compete. Could make an excellent Miniflora. Dreyer (KS): Stunning yellow blooms with HT form. So far slow to establish. Garrett (TN): The rich deep yellow blooms have good form and nice size, especially for a floribunda. Seems to hold its dark color even in the heat. Now if we can just get it to grow more vigorously! Guillebeau (FL): Really nice Dave Bang yellow with exhibition form. Sturdy plant that continues to build stem length. In time it may compete. **Hefner (IN):** What a pretty yellow rose. The brightest non-fading yellow that I have grown. Well behaved plant with nice dark green foliage. **Hodgins (TX):** This variety lives up to its name. It is gorgeous! The color is vibrant, it has perfect form with high centers. It has good substance and will last as a cut rose for days and days. Very nice bright green foliage. Although this is a new bush for me, it has nice long stems. It puts out more like a small hybrid tea than a floribunda. I have more single blooms than clusters. Mahoney (AZ): I am truly in love with the golden yellow of this rose. David Bang roses do not

always thrive in our garden, but this one is a real winner. It is nice to have a Floribunda with exhibition form - and a yellow that holds its color in our strong sunshine. I would be over the moon if it was a little more generous with its blooms, but for now it is a keeper. A beautiful deep yellow and many petaled rose bloom on a healthy plant. This is a first-year plant for me so we will have to see how it does in the Zone 7b winter here. Some of Dave Bang's roses do not do well in our winters. Martin (CA): First blooms are a non-fading yellow with a tightly-wound center and excellent form. Initial petal count of 21 is a concern in terms of its holding power. Bloom size is a miniflroa at best; why it is thought to be a floribunda is a mystery. The bush is growing well with good foliage. **Prabhu** (NC): Beautiful floribunda with an intense yellow color. The bush is disease resistant but has not grown much in three years and the sprays and individual florets are somewhat small. I will keep it for its color and give it some more time. Shockley (AR): Perfect form every time and the bright yellow make it a winner. Stever (NY): I absolutely love this rose. The form and color are fantastic. This is my third attempt to overwinter one. Stream (FL): Plant is 4 x 4 ft and covered with attractive, bright yellow blooms. Grows very dense and will need thinning out. Good for garden or show. Highly recommended. Strong (CA): Very small floribunda. I actually thought it was a miniflora, until I saw it today on this list. Nice form, but it should be reclassed as a miniflora to do well at shows. Van Vlack, (AZ): Last fall and the fall before, I purchased one 'It's Gorgeous' and each time the same thing happened. It took off, growing well and blooming beautifully. Then, even before our 100+ weather set in, they both crashed and died. Roses bred for California coast don't always appreciate our desert climate. Bloom color is a very strong yellow that holds well. Good exhibition form. The problem with this rose is one shared with several of Dave Bang's roses - size classification. It's Gorgeous will have trouble competing with Julia Child and her family as a floribunda, but it is pretty large for a miniflora. Ware (TX): This rose is just that. Deep clean yellow with virtually no fading. Good form on blooms which are on the small side but will see as the bushes mature.



'Jerry Mathers' Photo by Bob Martin

JERRY MATHERS (sport of Chihuly), yb, Martin, 2019

Capote (NY): Once again, I will do the world a public service announcement. If you bought a rose labeled Chihuly and it has stripes you do not have the real Chihuly, you have its sport, Jerry Mathers! For some reason, Weeks Roses keeps propagating the sport and labeling it as Chihuly. I never grew the real Chihuly, I always had Jerry Mathers and only believed that the two roses were different once I seen them side by side in a rose show I was judging last year where bother were labeled as Chihuly. What a kerfuffle that was among the judges until we sorted that out. So far, my experience with Jerry Mathers was bad in the sense that previous bushes did not survive the winter, but low and behold, while I lost all its canes this year, I got basal breaks and it is growing! Its flowers are gorgeous, I hope it is a sign that it will come back again in future winters. Martin (CA): A yellow blend striped sport of Chihuly I named in honor of and at the request of The Beaver himself (code named MARbeave). Kathy Strong has contended that it is not a sport but a common variation of Chihuly, which is why I add a photo showing the sport and Chihuly on the same bush. The sport repeats and propagates true, and to verify that it is a sport I put the question to Tom Carruth, the hybridizer of Chihuly who confirms the sport drops the distinctive orange suffusion of Chihuly. Photos on HMF show both the sport and Chihuly which means simply that the sport is a common one, which is not unusual. Jerry and his lovely wife Teresa, an accomplished rosarian and photographer, love it. It is in every other respect like Chihuly in its growth, which is upright and mannerly with good glossy foliage and abundant bloom. Regehr (AZ): This is a rose I treasure because it is a Bob Martin rose and I won it in the auction in Palm Springs. I have the signed picture of the Beaver that came with the win at the auction proudly displayed in my garage. This is a great rose that puts out loads of blooms and size has increased nicely this year. The blooms have good size now and the stripes seem to be prominent in the hot weather. Strong (CA): Indistinguishable from its sport parent, Chihuly. Tiffany (CA): Second year for this sport of Chihuly. Love the first blooms. The Beav will take time to show its worth. Van Boxtel (CA): I am one of the lucky ones where I have Jerry Mathers and Chihuly growing on the same rose bush. I bought this rose in an auction as Chihuly, but Jerry Mathers is equally strong and I get 50/50 rose blooms from both. They both do well in shows, but they are classified as different colors, so I don't have to worry about entering them together. This rose typically blooms in cycles, but the cycles are shorter than other roses. The basal breaks happen often too.



'Lady OLenna' Photo by John Bagnasco

LADY OLENNA, pb, Greenwood [Introduction pending]

Greenwood (CA): Named for Diana Rigg's classic character in HBO's fabulous series 'Game of Thrones'. The bright pink blooms are presented in classic floribunda sprays with a petal count of 20 to 25. The long-lasting blooms carry a sweet fragrance. One the plant is established it should do well on the show table. It's a cross of 'Elizabeth Marie' x 'Silverado'.



'Laus Deo' Photo by Dave Bang

LAUS DEO, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Shimoda (CA): Newly acquired, still in pot. **Tiffany** (CA): Why is this classed as a floribunda? It is miniflora size. It is a nice stripe so I hope it is changed it so we can take it to show.



'Life of the Party' aka 'Huntington's 100th'
Photo by Suzanne Horn

LIFE OF THE PARTY (Huntington's 100th), yb, Carruth, 2019 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Horn (CA): Also sold as 'Huntington's 100th', this is a very nice garden rose. Old fashioned type blooms are yellow or yellow with pink edging and are quite pretty in the garden. However, they don't have enough petals for a show quality old fashioned bloom and just look sort of loose in form. On the upside, this rose is very disease resistant thanks to its medium green glossy foliage. The blooms have a light fruity fragrance and the rose grows in an upright manner. The overall appearance of the plant is very pretty with the pink and yellow hues, and home gardeners will love it. However, I couldn't see it working for me as an exhibition rose and I gave it away to a home gardener who could fully appreciate it. Lockhart (KY): Starts yellow then changes with a light purple/pink edge. Mostly sprays with double center. I've won with it as a floribunda spray. Disease resistant bush is one of my favorite floribundas. Ornelas (CA): This rose is a conundrum for us. We LOVE the variation in color of the pink and yellow blooms on large bountiful sprays. It is a bountiful bloomer but it loses its blooms rapidly shedding them on the ground so it is a bit messy for cleanup. After having it for three years, we will be removing it and donating it to our society. There is some fragrance. There are not many disease issues for us on this rose. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): The plant is moderate in size. It has excellent fragrance and a nice open bloom. The petals seem to be floppy and don't have not much substance, but it provides a nice colorful display in the garden. Shimoda (CA): Very small, disappointing, will donate soon. Tiffany (CA): Nice bicolor pink and yellow but fades quickly in the garden. Van Boxtel (CA): One of the messiest roses in my garden, but I love the colors of the blooms, and this rose is very healthy and strong. I usually get 20-50 buds on each stem. It's not great for shows, but it's a nice rose to have. Van Vlack, (AZ): Color is weak and fades quickly. Not sure it will show well. Williams (WA): Ha! A dud for me. Not even a good garden rose here. It must like the hotter weather.



'Like No Other'
Photo Courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

LIKE NO OTHER, m, Bedard, 2021 [J&P]

Capote (NY) This rose is like Celestial Night, but fragrant and with pointed petals. However, unlike Celestial Night, this rose was a blackspot magnet, was not reliably winter hardy as it suffered extreme dieback, and it did not set good sprays. When it died in the late spring freeze, I thought "good riddance!" **Strong (CA):** It blooms in sprays and I think I am going to like it.



'Mango Veranda' Photo courtesy of Michigan Bulb Company

MANGO VERANDA, ob, Kordes, 2020 [Cert, Chamblee's]

Anderson (WI): Grown at the Leif Erikson Rose Garden, I believe this bush grows to about 24" high and is in constant bloom. It makes a lovely garden bed of striking, vibrant color. It repeat blooms very quickly. I would definitely recommend it as a landscape or garden rose. Guillebeau (FL): A nice Kordes rose with great color and small sprays. Disease resistant. I like it. Kozemchak (PA): Second year plant has produced beautifully colored blooms on a healthy bush. Hopeful to show this one, definitely a very good garden rose. Martin (CA): Kordes uses the "Veranda" tag on a series of roses in an effort to trademark the name. A "veranda" in English is typically a roofed open gallery or portico attached to the exterior of a building, basically a variation of a patio. A "patio rose" in Europe is generally a miniflora in the U.S. and based on bloom size, this would likely be a miniflora here. The bush, however, is quite sprawling with the blooms appearing individually at the end of long whips. I like the color and nice round shape of the blooms but I am having trouble picturing where this might fit in a show.



'Marc Chagall' Photo courtesy of Edmunds Roses

MARC CHAGALL, pb, Delbard, 2020 [Cert, Edmunds]

Cooney (CA): Another of the "Painters Series". New to my garden and seems to be a keeper. Nice coloring, no disease to speak of. Fits well with others in the painters series cultivars. Garrett (TN): Bi-colored blooms are absolutely beautiful. 1st year plant is growing and blooming well. This variety has some exhibition potential! Helgeson (MN): Soft pretty colors. No fragrance. A good striped rose in the garden. Martin (CA): Another in the Delbard Painters' series, this rose is named after the Russian-French modernist painter, The one-to-a-stem blooms are a subtle shade of

medium to light pink with creamy white stripes and a somewhat muddled yellow center. Thus far the rose is showing nice vigor and production with upright growth and light green foliage. Myers (NC): Good bloom size. Striped rose. Produces few sprays but single blooms will show. Regehr (AZ) Like the pink blooms with white stripes but the plant is lacking vigor so far. Still in a pot. Hope it takes off so it will find a spot in the garden. Roussell (LA): Yellow with pink stripes. Slightly fragrant, English style blooms on a very compact plant. Settle (AL): Weak growth and poor rebloom. Will probably remove this fall. Shimoda (CA): Pink stripe, love this rose, bought a few more. Healthy and good blooms, will try to show. Strong (CA): This is another of the old Delbard Painter series released by Certified to Home Depot this year. It's another one that has been around for decades, but is newly easy to come by. Get it. It's pretty. Not much for exhibition though. Looks a lot like "Pop Art," which is probably the better rose if you only get one of them. Tiffany (CA): The stripes on this one can be very distinct red-pink-yellow. Great bloomer, fast repeat and nice size blooms. Van Boxtel (CA): I wish this rose bloomed more, because when it does, I get excellent roses for exhibition with a beautiful shape and proportion. I think this is my favorite rose from the Painter's Collection because of its perfect cabbage-style blooms. Van Vlack, (AZ): Two years in and I still love the color variations of this rose. Makes sprays, best for exhibiting. And it is generous with blooms.



'Marion Ross' Photo by Burling Leong

MARION ROSS, r, Leong, 2022 [Burl]

Huffer (GA): New for 2022 from Burlington Nursery. Lovely mauve blooms have a fawn colored shading. 2nd yr. plant has excellent form about half the time. **Strong (CA):** Another very slow grower on its own roots. Koko Loco is similar in color and the better rose.



'Midsummer' Photo courtesy of Rosen Tantau

MIDSUMMER, op, Evers, 2023 [Palatine] – prior introduction in Germany

Capote (NY): This rose is a beast! Planted in March as a bareroot plant, it is now 5 feet tall and 2 feet wide. It has beautiful glossy green foliage, and its blooms vary from red to pink to orange with a yellow reverse. This rose is gorgeous. I can see it doing well on the show table when it matures.



'Morning Glow' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

MORNING GLOW, yb, Bedard, 2023 [Weeks, Regan]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

ARS Magazine: Medium-large, soft-gold blooms that are old-fashioned, elegant, and very full. The blooms have a moderate tea scent, growing both singly and in small clusters on medium-length stems. This medium-size plant has deep, glossy green foliage and very good disease resistance. **Spring Hill:** Morning Glow combines dark green foliage, outstanding bud form, and large, nearly 4" across, old-fashioned bowl shaped blooms in a silky ginger-root yellow.



'Never Been Redder' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

NEVER BEEN REDDER, red, Bedard, 2022 [J&P]

Bonfigli (CA): I purchased this one from J&P last year at their end-of-year final-clearance sale, and it has turned out to be a very pleasant surprise! Large, OGR-style red blooms come in small-to medium-sized sprays which last for - literally - weeks! In fact, the lasting quality of the blooms was amazing. It is starting to put up a second flush of blooms now, for which I am waiting with eager anticipation to see how the size will be in the summer versus our record cold, wet spring. The only downside was the fact that the foliage seems to be susceptible to light blackspot, but you wouldn't know it by looking at it now. However, I'm willing to forgive that fault and blame it on the extremely wet conditions that this "new" plant had to endure. **Strong (CA):** New here, but I can tell I am going to really like this one. It may become my second favorite red florrie, after Oh My, in a hurry. Very good red color and good sprays of fluffy smaller blooms. Quick grower, quick repeat. So if you need a red florrie on a different bloom cycle than Oh My, get this one. Also seems to be a more contained plant than Oh My, which wants to be big.



'Our Anniversary' Photo by Brad Jalbert

OUR ANNIVERSARY, dr, Jalbert, 2023 [Chamblee's, Select]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet. **Chamblee's (TX):** Uniquely colored blooms have a smokey purple tint, combined with outstanding flower power and great health.



'Over the Edge' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

OVER THE EDGE, ly, Carruth, 2022 [J&P]

Strong (CA): Delicate, one to a stem blooms. Just opened its first batch today. Nice delicate color and that dark edge on the petals is quite striking. **Jackson & Perkins:** Over The Edge flowers heavily in continuous waves over a long season, from late spring to late fall. The flowers are borne in clusters of spiraled, old-fashioned double blooms. The soft gold buds have a fine, sharply defined pink picotee that diffuses as the blooms open. The flowers have a strong fruity and spicy fragrance and medium length stems, ideal for cutting. Over The Edge is a medium-sized rose with an upright, bushy habit of lush foliage. The bush is disease resistant, so it's a good option for beginners.



'Peach Perfection' Photo courtesy of J.C. Bakker & Sons, Ltd.

PEACH PERFECTION, apricot, Jalbert, 2021 [Pal]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Select Roses: As tough as it is beautiful, this disease-free peach rose has proven itself in long-term testing to be hardy, easy care, perfect garden habit and free of blackspot or mildew. The lavish blooms are fully double clear peach and produced in masses on a dense growing plant. Perfect for garden, cutting, containers or even a hedge rose. Superb at all stages from bud to fully open. You will love her changes of colors, more fully pronounced on cool evenings. Scent is soft and fruity with a hint of lemon and spice. Early to bloom with quick repeat until frost.



'Pink Brick House' aka 'Brick House Pink' Photo Courtesy of Star Roses

PINK BRICK HOUSE (aka BRICK HOUSE PINK), mp, Sproul, 2020 [Star]

Belendez (**CA**): 2" inch, medium pink, single-petalled blooms. My own-root bush, planted in the ground, is three years old and has barely grown 2-feet tall. So far it has produced small clusters of 3 to 5 blooms. It appears to be disease resistant, especially since I do not spray my roses anymore. **Eckley** (**CO**): Kept two. The inflorescence happens naturally.



'PowerPuff Pink' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

POWERPUFF PINK, dp, Sproul, 2023 [Star]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Sproul (CA): Our newest rose to be released from Star Roses is 'PowerPuffTM Pink', a floribunda that should show well in the multiple sprays category. Being a seedling of 'Brick House® Pink', it has better than average disease resistance.



'Queen of Elegance' Photo by Jason Capote

QUEEN OF ELEGANCE, mp, Bedard, 2019 [Spring, Chamblee's]

Abshire (LA): Threw a few sprays but color left a lot to be desired. Gone. Anderson (WI): This is the fourth season I have grown this variety in a container. It is amazing due to its ability to come forth despite cooler temps and drier conditions, then heat and humidity. Plus, there is this amazing change from the bud into a vintage, Austin-like, shallow, cupped-shaped bloom with over 41 petals, and a slight old rose fragrance. Sometimes it will be a solitary bud, sometimes sprays. They are heavy blooms with a weaker peduncle. However, I have used it in arrangements and find it quite intriguing. The foliage is dark green. Bates (TN): Large rich pink blooms have lots of petals that should do well on show table. As an added bonus, it also has good fragrance and disease resistance. Capote (NY): This rose is gorgeous! It flowers, in true mauve, are huge and highly fragrant and bloom in perfect clusters perfect for exhibition. Unfortunately, it is not reliably winter hardy and is prone to multiple diseases. It spends so much energy recovering from winter that its blooms are few and far between, but they are so beautiful I keep this rose around. Ekuan (CA): There are a lot of things going for this rose. The weak necks are a major distraction. My plant is sayonara. Guillebeau (FL): Sturdy plant with long stems. Nice garden plant. My plant nods its head which I really don't like but it's still here. Krause (TX): Liked this rose, bought another one this year love the true rose color, bushes are growing well, no disease, will show single or sprays.

Strong (**CA**): I like it as a shrub-type rose, but not as a florrie. Colors change a lot depending on the weather. Best color in cool weather. **Tiffany** (**CA**): Not much performance from this queen, perhaps her throne (plot of soil) was too small. I may look for a better throne for her.



'Rosemantic Fuscia' Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

ROSEMANTIC FUCHSIA, r, 2020 [Pal]

Eastman (WA): Planted in 2021. Everything One could want in a floribunda. Vigorous grower, large sprays of flowers that hold well on the bush and when cut. Beautiful cherry red color. Mild fragrance. It, along with Rosmantic Red are favorites in my garden. Disease resistant and winter hardy in our climate. **Strong (CA):** A good one. This is my favorite of the new batch of roses received from Palatine this year. Really bright color, good sprays. Blooms hold a long while on the plant and stay nice even in hot sun. **Williams (WA):** Excellent color would be good in collections, or as a focal point in the garden.



'Rosemantic Red' Photo courtesy of Palatine Roses

ROSEMANTIC RED, red, 2020 [Pal]

Eastman (WA): Planted in 2021. Purchased a second bush in 2023. Masses of red sprays that hold well. Darker red than Rosemantic Fuschia. No fragrance. Clean foliage. Great garden rose. Disease resistant and cold hardy in this climate.



'Shannon Lanaya'

Photo by Suzanne Horn, FL District Queen shown by Bill & Elaine Ornelas

SHANNON LANAYA, ab, Greenwood, 2021

Bagley (TX): Pretty bloom with exhibition form. Blooming in 100 plus degrees. Bulman (CA): A top performing floribunda that sprays when planted in the ground. My plant on fort is also too tall but the smallish perfect buds and blooms are a must have. One plant on its own roots is also tall and needs to be sprayed. It performed well at the San Diego County Fair. Clark (CA): Vigorous HT formed blooms on long stems. Has a mix of single stems and sprays. Good for show and bouquets. Opens fairly quickly, and fades a bit in heat. Cooney (CA): Second year in garden, first in the ground. Blooms have excellent form. Large plant with no signs of powdery mildew growing on CA coast. Ekuan (CA): A really good rose. In our coastal garden the rose grows like a prototypical grandiflora with large blooms, up to 4.5 inches across, with perfect form, often disposed in clusters. Color is unique and attractive. Greenwood (CA): Shannon likes the coastal climate. Our Fort budded plant has grown large; 5 1/2 feet in height and 4 feet in width. The blooms frequently come in grandiflora type sprays. The blooms are quite large, up to 5 inches in diameter

when fully opened. One thing of great interest; the rose has shown remarkable tolerance to thrips, both regular and chili. The blooms are attacked by regular thrips but show virtually no symptoms. **Huffer (GA):** Beautiful blooms that change colors with the temps. Form is there but blooms have weak necks. Nice sprays. Definite exhibition potential. **Monge (CA):** The coloring is similar to that of Koko Loko but with hybrid tea form. My plant is own root and would benefit from being grafted. **Ornelas (CA):** This has become one of our favorite exhibition roses with gorgeous coral, pink and yellow shades. For us it does not seem to hold its form well for exhibition. If a bloom is caught at its very peak it can be exhibited well. Very few disease issues for our plant. **Editor's Note:** This rose won the 2023 Pacific Southwest District Floribunda Queen for Bill & Elaine Ornelas. **Reynolds (CA):** Can show form blooms mostly in sprays o disease in the desert. **Strong (CA):** I really like this one in the realm of smaller hybrid tea form florries. It is generally one to a stem. **Tiffany (CA):** Named for my good friend Gary Bulman's daughter, this rose is an apricot and cream bicolor, fast repeat, medium blooms, mostly singles with good form. Love it.



'Sierra Lady' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

SIERRA LADY, ab, Kordes, 2020 [Heir, J&P, Star, Chamblee's]

McBrien (MO): It does not do much, but that could be in part because of where it is in the garden. Flower color fades with time from a salmon-orange to pink. **Lane-Piert** (CA): Attractive variety of pink. Floriferous and diseased free but not ready for showtime yet. It's a nice garden rose that may be passed on with someone that has a passion for pink. **Strong** (CA): I liked this one better last year. Has not done much for me as it got older.



'Silver Lining' Photo Courtesy of Weeks Roses

SILVER LINING, m, Bedard, 2021 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Bonfigli (CA): Large silvery-lavender flowers come in small- to medium-sized sprays on a disease resistant plant. The overall effect of the plant in full bloom is quite striking. There is a lull between bloom cycles, but that doesn't last inexorably long. I believe it will show but that it won't be as good for exhibition as 'Odyssey' or 'Love Song.' Still, it is very much worth having. Capote (NY): I had this rose in my garden now for 4 years (I got this one on preview before its official release) and it is a showstopper. It grows tall with huge blooms with high substance that look best as open blooms as a single bloom per stem specimen. It is incredibly vigorous and disease resistant but has absolutely no fragrance. Unfortunately, I was never able to bring one to a show yet as it seems to want to bloom both too early for the spring shows and too late for the fall shows in my area, but I am positive that if this rose was able to get to the show table, it would certainly take the singlebloom per stem award. Dale (GA): Two new bushes are growing well. Haven't seen many blooms yet but they are very pale lavender with loose form. There are glimpses of show qualities. Somewhat blackspot prone despite spraying. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Second year plant has good growth. The blooms have good form. The rose has only slight fragrance. Good upright growth but slow repeating bloom cycle. Must be protected as it is winter tender and was slow to start in the spring with the fluctuations in temperatures that occurred this year. **Trimble (CA):** New plant with lavender blooms, long stems, good form. Seems to be disease resistant so far.



'Soft and Sweet'
Photo by Brad Jalbert

SOFT AND SWEET, wb, Jalbert, 2020 [Select, Chamblee's]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Jalbert: Soft color, sweet fragrance, tidy floribunda. The soften shade of melon to cream. Perfectly shaped rose buds open with a slight ruffle. Foliage is glossy green with exceptional health. **Select:** Combines fragrance, healthy, hardiness with a free blooming glorious cream rose. Tested for years without sprays, this lovely rose is as easy care as they come.



'Sunset Horizon'
Photo Courtesy of Star Roses

SUNSET HORIZON, yb. 2021, Meilland [Star]

Huffer (**GA**): Decent garden rose by Meilland. Could do well in the spray class if you catch it right. **Humphrey** (**OR**): I saw a couple of fabulous spiral centered blooms but not enough petals to hold. Gets a lot of attention at the Rose Garden due to wild color changes as blooms mature. **Strong** (**CA**): Pretty when it first opens, but after one day, the colors fade out. I have seen it win in shows when you manage catch those colors on first opening. **Van Boxtel** (**CA**): Don't sleep on this rose. I have had it for a few years now, and it's done very well in rose shows. I don't think it's a perfect first place rose, but it's able to compete! This rose has beautiful yellow-red blooms which fade to hot pink within a day or two of blooming. Show this rose before it turns pink!



'Sweet Love of Mine' Photo by Dave Bang

SWEET LOVE OF MINE, pb, Bang, 2021 (K&M)

Becker (**FL**): Dave Bang rose that's pink with yellow reverse. Died in our extreme weather. Not sure if I'll replace it. **Stever** (**NY**): Did survive a winter. Plant lacks vigor.



'Sweet Madame Blue' Photo Courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

SWEET MADAME BLUE, mb, Bedard, 2021 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Capote (NY): This rose has a beautiful purple color with a terrific fragrance that won me that award last year. Unfortunately, this rose was winter killed in the flash freeze and I was unable to replace it. The color and fragrance are so good that I will replace it next spring for certain. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2023. Looks very promising. Color is intense violet. Cold hardiness and disease resistance unknown. Huffer (GA): Extremely pretty, light purple blend and fragrant rose. Not much show potential so far. McBrien (MO): Mine is in a pot and needs to be planted. It had plenty of flowers last year that were similar to another lavender floribunda, Violet's Pride. Tiffany (CA): Not much of a bloomer yet. Lavender roses get extra time in my garden. Tilley (WA): First blooms have nice size that come in sprays on very short stems so far. Gotta love the color and the fragrance though. Van Boxtel (CA): This is an elegant mauve rose with many petals. The bloom lasts on the bush, which makes it a great show rose. I like that this is a steady, stable, predictable rose compared to others that send wild new growth.



'Summer Beauty' Photo courtesy of Select Roses

SUMMER BEAUTY, pb, Jalbert, 2023 [Select, Chamblee's]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date.

Select: Stunning blooms with lush healthy highly polished foliage.

Editor's Note: This rose is not to be confused with the 1999 Kordes apricot blend floribunda or the 1986 deep yellow miniature from Ernest D. Williams, both having the same name.



'The Iron Throne'
Photo by Bob Martin

THE IRON THRONE, m, Greenwood, 2019

Greenwood (CA): The color is similar to 'Koko Loco'. Flowers have exhibition form and so far show good disease resistance. Ornelas (CA): The very unusual lavender and beige coloration of this roses makes it a unique show rose. In our garden it does not hold its form long enough to get to a show. Martin (CA): A peculiar rose that won the best seedling class at the 2016 San Diego RS Show. Chris gave me the specimen to root, which it did. Growth was modest, with blooms originally miniflora size but later growing larger, moving into floribunda size. The color is most unusual, more gray than mauve and plausibly the color of The Iron Throne. Shimoda (CA): Newly acquired 2022, couple of blooms. Own root so a little slow. Trimble (CA): Lovely blooms of grayish lavender. Long stems, good vigor from 2nd year plant grafted on 'Peggy Martin'. Unfortunately, major blackspot in the spring. Very expensive rose acquired at an auction, but probably on its way out the door. Van Boxtel (CA): This is one of the most expensive roses in my garden. I bought this 4 years ago at a rose auction when it was newly introduced. The rose took a while to get established, and it blooms in cycles. The blooms don't last long, but they are the most beautiful mauve/beige combination. I have it growing on a fortuniana rootstock and as an own root, and I've noticed that the own root needs a few years to produce big sprays. One of my sprays did well in a show, but it lacked form so it didn't get first place.



'Touch of Heaven' Photo by Dave Bang

TOUCH OF HEAVEN, w, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Pretty bloom with good form. Becker (FL): Blooms were on the small side. Disappointed with growth so gave it away. Bowen (LA): Very pale pink blooms are just lovely with good repeat bloom. Refrigerates well. Gets some blackspot. Guillebeau (FL): Nice, apricot color blooms with form from Dave Bang. Young, own root plant is growing nicely. Martin (CA): First blooms closely matched Dave's photo and were very encouraging. The initial size seems on the small side for a floribunda; however the ivory color is heavenly and the bush is growing well. Russell (CA): Second growing season for this plant. Blooms seem to be continuous and last only but a day or so on the plant. Have not been able to show this one as of yet. but am looking forward to being able to enter this one next show season. Stever (NY): Beautiful form and color for me the most winter hardy of Dave Bangs floribundas. Stream (FL): Own root is off to a slow start. The few blooms we've had are borne singularly and have nice color. Needs spraying for blackspot.



'True Friendship' Photo courtesy of Altman Plants

TRUE FRIENDSHIP (aka GOLDMINE), yellow, Lim, 2019 [Altman Plants]

Dreyer (KS): Nice yellow blooms and very healthy without spray so far. **Flynn (LA):** Good repeat bloom with no signs of blackspot in my regular spray garden. Very nice, bright yellow blooms to add color to your garden but not an exhibition bloom. Weak stems.



'True Integrity'
Photo by Ping Lim

TRUE INTEGRITY, ab, Lim, 2019 [Alt, J&P]

Dreyer (**KS**): Cute as can be with HT form. **Flynn** (**LA**): Healthy plant with full, old garden form blooms but didn't provide what I wanted from a floribunda. This plant should be considered a shrub rose. Didn't keep the bush because my plant didn't produce clusters of sprays or blooms on long, strong stems.



'True Sincerity'
Photo by Tom Mayhew

TRUE SINCERITY, vb, Lim, 2019 [Alt, J&P]

Bonfigli (CA): I picked this up mid-year at Lowe's, and so far, it has turned out to be a very pleasant surprise. Blooms are a good medium yellow with cerise edging, and they had spiral centers and come both singly and in sprays on a very healthy plant that is just starting to spring into glorious vigor. This is one of my favorite color combinations, and Ping appears to have a winner here. Capote (NY): So far, in my honest opinion, this rose is Ping Lim's masterpiece! Gorgeous yellow flowers that bush pink and change red, each bloom is born single bloom per stem and has perfectly formed exhibition form flowers! I grew this for many years in a no-spray garden I used to work at, and it got absolutely no disease! It was also vigorous and drought tolerant. I finally got one for my own garden this spring and each flower still has excellent form despite the summer heat. This rose has exhibition quality once it matures. I can't wait to show mine at a show in a year or two. Dreyer (KS): Catchy color combination - healthy without spray. Huffer (GA): Another unexpected surprise. Very striking sprays. Extremely healthy and prolific. Has some show potential. Humphrey (OR): Super pretty open blooms with pleasing colors. Mayhew (PA): A very worthwhile rose to have in the garden. My second-year plant is disease free and hardy. It produces lots of yellow blend, many-petaled rose blooms, both singles and sprays.



'Tupelo Honey' Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

TUPELO HONEY, my, Kordes, 2019 [Heir, J&P, Chamblee's]

Strong (CA): Boring gold tone yellow florrie. If you want this color, nothing beats Julia Child.

*** No photo of Twomey's Mistake as of yet ***

TWOMEY'S MISTAKE, ob, Twomey, 2019

Huff (CA): Got this on Fortuniana recently. The blooms are great and when cut they hold for a long period of time. Am getting a couple more. **Streeper (CA):** Dependable floribunda, similar in color to Touch of Class. **Strong (CA):** I had it, I killed it, I need another. Twomey's real mistake was that he didn't introduce this gorgeous little rose. Touch of Class colors on a good florrie plant. **Tiffany (CA):** Other than the uncomfortable name, this is a great florie. Frequent bloom, nice orange clusters.

VERANDA FIESTA - SEE FIESTA VERANDA, yb, Kordes, 2022 [Star] SEE 'FIESTA VERANDA'



'Veranda White' aka 'White Veranda' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

VERANDA WHITE aka WHITE VERANDA, w, Kordes, 2022 [Star, Chamblee's] Dickson (OK) from 2022: This white floribunda is always in bloom and is a good grower. Healthy foliage. It's a nice addition to the garden.



'Vulcano' Photo courtesy of Kordes Roses

VULCANO, ob, Kordes, 2023 [Palatine] – introduced as HT in Germany

Capote (NY): This is a new rose that was introduced this year by Palatine as a trial by Kordes to see if there is a US market for this variety. Based on how it has performed so far, I hope that this rose has a mass release soon. Its color is magnificent, and it blooms perfectly formed, English bloom style flowers both as single-bloom per stem and as large clusters with perfect dome shaped sprays. It has glassy green foliage that contrasts beautifully with the bright fire orange blooms. This is a keeper for sure in my garden and one that I expect to do well on the show table.



'White Lies' Photo by Sergio Ricardo Aguilar

WHITE LIES, rb, Pottschmidt, 2021 [Cert, Edmds]

Ball (WA) This rose has not proven to be all that healthy and the blooms are small. Garrett (TN): Has a really attractive clean white with red edge bloom. It will show in a spray and if bloom size is better, it could show as a single bloom. Nice bush that grows and blooms well. Huffer (GA): Starts off pure white and ends crimson, Blackspot magnet with little show potential. Will likely be re-homed. Kozemchak (PA): Gorgeous blooms that seem to come mostly one per stem. Color similar to Double Delight, but on a smaller bloom, that develops the red or pink color much quicker. Decent form, should compete well the floribunda bloom class. Haven't seen many sprays yet. Shimoda (CA): Second year in the ground, doing much better than in pot. May even buy a second one. Tiffany (CA): This may be a renamed J&P. Looks a lot like Double Delight with NO fragrance. Mostly singles with a moderate repeat.

WHITE VERANDA – SEE VERANDA WHITE

PolyanthasHonor Roll: Lullaby, The Fairy, Wing-Ding and Verdun



'Children's Hope' Courtesy of Weeks Roses

CHILDREN'S HOPE, mr, Tom Carruth, 2019 AOE, [Weeks]

Colombo (GA): Good grower and bloomer. Disease resistant. There are better polyanthas for exhibition. Cooney (CA): Nice compact bush about 2 1/2 ft., always in bloom. Will not show but is a great garden rose. Hering (OH): Large clusters of red semi-double blooms. Forms good inflorescences. Vigorous grower. 2019 AOE winner. Hogrefe (NE): Small plant, always in bloom, just OK. Huffer (GA): a blooming machine. Disease free, red clusters that fade to magenta. Moderate fragrance. Will show. Martin (CA): Entered as a miniature, it received the 2019 AOE award for miniature roses. Thereafter, it was introduced by Weeks as a polyantha, perhaps to ride on the popularity of its earlier outstanding polyantha Wing-Ding. The rose spans the polyantha/miniature divide comfortably, producing multiple red/pink pom-pom blooms in large sprays. The bush is vigorous but mannerly and would make an excellent front-of-the border planting. It will also win the polyantha class at shows. Miller (OH): Nice show quality sprays. **Plasz (IL)** Good color, sprays and spring bloom. Repeat bloom could be improved as it is sparse. Strong (CA): Good rose. Does what a poly is supposed to do, and quite well. Tiffany (CA): Love the big clusters of this poly. A great addition to the Polyantha family and nice that it is so accurately classed. Van Lenten (SC): Pinkish red blooms on a vigorous plant. Sprays are big and can be hard to get all blooms fresh at the same time. Not particularly special.

'Four Sisters' No Photo Available Yet

FOUR SISTERS, pb, Schneider, 2019, [Freedom Gardens]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.



'Pretty Polly Lavender' Photo by Diane Sommers

PRETTY POLLY LAVENDER, m, Zlesak, 2019 [Star, Chamblee's]

Cooney (CA): One of the Looks-A-Like series from Star Roses. Compact bush that's always in bloom. Disease free on the CA coast. Eckley (CO): Second year for David Zlesak's intro. Crazy blooming. Waiting for plant shape. Mounding? Flynn (LA): A disappointment to me. It is a disease resistant plant with clusters of small blooms, but as an arranger I wanted the small clusters of lavender blooms as a filler color. No lavender yet, only washed out pink with a hint of faded purple. Not useful as a brightly colored spray to exhibit. Helgeson (MN): Winter hardy, lots of soft lavender blooms. I love these three landscape polyanthas. Huffer (GA): Non-stop bloomer with delicate, small, lilac flowers. Carefree garden rose. Hard to make it work for a show since flowers on the large sprays don't open at the same time. Kozemchak (PA): Love this third-year poly, clean plant, nice sprays and beautiful very double little blooms (under 1"). Glad I got this one, may check out the others in this series. Krause (TX): Bushy, compact bush is constantly in bloom, disease resistant. Martin (CA): A short compact bush that produces compact clusters of pom-pom lavender-pink full blooms that are individually larger than the other Pretty Pollys. The

semi-glossy, medium green foliage is appropriately sized, and it is reputed to somewhat fragrant, though I have not noticed that. The occasional cluster should show. **Miller (OH):** Nice garden rose. Nice sprays but small. **Shockley (AR):** This Polly doesn't bloom as much as it's pink sister but it's a nice addition to the garden. **Sommers (WI):** Small lavender blooms in large sprays. Hardy plant. Nice for the garden but limited show potential. **Tiffany (CA):** Much larger bush than Pretty Polly Pink with good repeat - must be location.



'Pretty Polly Pink' Photo by Suzanne Horn

PRETTY POLLY PINK, mp, Zlesak, 2019 [Star, Chamblee's]

Becker (FL): Very slow growth. Eventually succumbed to our heat and humidity. Cooney (CA): Same as Pretty Polly Lavender and White, but is best bloomer of the three. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2022. Good color in the landscape, prolific bloomer. Cold hardy in our climate. Repeats well. Eckley (CO): Planted in our no spray, no fertilize public garden. All David Zlesak's plants survived with long stems. Watch out! Helgeson (MN): Most vigorous of the Pretty Pollys. Great mounding polyantha. Hicks (AR): Nice rounded plant habit on medium sized plant. Lots of sprays of tiny pink blooms throughout the season. Horn (CA): This compact growing polyantha produces large clusters of petite, rose pink, semi-double to double blossoms. It would be nice if they all bloomed together, but I guess you can't have everything. The plant is hardy and vigorous, and its small, semi-glossy medium green foliage produces excellent disease resistance. It also reblooms reliably. It won Best Polyantha Spray at the Pacific Southwest District Show in 2022 for my friend Aprille Curtis. Overall, it is a good addition to the exhibition polyantha ranks. Huffer (GA): Prolific pink, 2" blooms. Excellent front-of-the-border landscape rose. Long lasting cut flower with excellent disease resistance. Huge sprays with blooms that don't open at the same time but it won for me recently. Martin (CA): The prettiest of the Pollys, this makes a nice, short compact

bush that produces large clusters of small semi-double blooms. The rich rosy pink color is bright, even translucent and the rose will stand out on the border and in a show. The semi-glossy, light green foliage is appropriately sized, and it is reputed to be disease resistant, ho-hum to that. Miller (OH): Nice garden rose. Sprays are loose. Monge (CA): Spring bloom for my first-year plant was very impressive and disease is very minimal. It is sensitive to the heat. Shockley (AR): Love it in the garden! Could show with those nice sprays. Sommers (WI): Small white blooms in large clusters. Hardy in my zone 5 garden with no winter protection. Nice for the garden but unsure of show potential. Tiffany (CA): Slow to grow, nice small sprays. Van Boxtel (CA): I bought this cute bright pink rose as a tree, and it instantly looked like a big pink puff ball. The rose blooms in fast cycles, and the sprays are very show-worthy. I recommend growing this as a tree because it's so cute!



'Pretty Polly White'
Photo courtesy of Star Roses

PRETTY POLLY WHITE, w, Zlesak, 2019 [Star, Chamblee's]

Cooney (CA): The third of the Looks-A-Like pollys. Same growth habit but not as free with its blooms. Eastman (WA): Planted in 2023. Growing quickly and continuously blooming. Cold hardiness unknown. Eckley (CO): Regular small poly blooms. All polys (70-some) planted in our difficult temperature fluctuation lived through the spring. Great plant expected from Dr. David Zlesak. Helgeson (MN): Always has some bloom. Martin (CA): A short compact bush that produces large clusters of small semidouble white blooms that are pretty much the same as several classic polyanthas such as Katherina Zeimet or even the first polyantha Paquerette. The semiglossy, light green foliage is appropriately sized, and it is reputed to be disease resistant. Show possibilities are limited because the clusters tend to be loose. Sommers (WI): Hardy plant, great for the garden. Haven't seen sprays that are able to compete. Williams (WA): Always in bloom, slight fragrance, great in arrangements.

Minifloras

Honor Roll: Abby's Angel, Baldo Villegas, Butter Cream, Conundrum, Dr. John Dickman, Dr. Troy Garrett, Family Holiday, Foolish Pleasure, Leading Lady, Louisville Lady, Nancy Jean, Power Point, Powerhouse, Robin Alonso, Shameless, Shawn Sease, Show Stopper, Tiffany Lynn, Whirlaway and Tammy Clemons



'A Night of Magic' Photo by Elaine Ornelas

A NIGHT OF MAGIC (Miniflora, Cl), dr, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Anderson (WI): This rose will easily grow to 4' in a pot! It has very velvety petals in a straited red-dark red, with smaller, glossy green leaves around the bloom. Often it will throw a spray at the end of the cane. The plant is heat tolerant, but does not like cooler temps. Since it is susceptible to black spot, it is best to isolate it. Capote (NY): This rose was not a performer for me. It only gave me on average two blooms a year and failed to grow. I moved it twice to see if it would do better in other parts of my garden. Others near my area who grew this rose report similar experiences. I guess it just does not like the NYC metropolitan region. After struggling with this to get it to grow and bloom for 4 years, it finally faced the shovel. Dale (GA): Second year Dave Bang climbing mfl is climbing on a trellis and id 7 ft. tall. Very blackspot prone despite spraying. Blooms come quickly and in large sprays. Large, velvety blooms of dark red streaked with lighter red. Will remove next year due to inability to control blackspot. Helgeson (MN): Intriguing colors – red

and pinks. HT form, mild fragrance. Hodgins (TX): This variety was sold to me as a MF but is actually listed in the ARS Selecting Roses handbook as a climber. It has climber form very long stems. It puts out beautiful singles and clusters of blooms that are deep red in color with a white stripe. The foliage is a deep green, with long healthy stems. Kozemchak (PA): Third year plant not producing many blooms yet. Dark red with pink striped blooms are very interesting, with decent form. It is listed as a LCL in the new handbook. Martin (CA): Advertised as a climbing miniflora, this rose went ape in our garden and grew as a good sized climber. I've bent two 8-foot canes to a fence and the laterals produce large but still plausibly miniflora size blooms of stunning color – dark purple, pink stripe with 2 ½-inch petals showing dark edging and good substance. The blooms are very dramatic, starting with good form with 22 big petals and then opening quickly to eye-openers as open blooms. Completing the large package, the bush has big soft light green foliage. Minott (CA): Beautiful if you catch it at the right point for show; good fully open if you don't. I have mine in partial shade, so it's quite dark unless I get a good sunny day. If a rose can be overly vigorous, this one is. It could cover an arbor and then some by itself. Ornelas (CA): When we first obtained this rose we had no idea that it would grow to such a large climber and we unnecessarily grafted it onto fortuniana. It is a prolific bloomer producing sprays and singles of beautiful striped roses. The colors are very dark red with stripes and flecks of lighter red. Needs to be grown on a large trellis. Shows disease resistance. We love this one! Regehr (AZ): This is a crazy grower. I have 2 plants in the ground for 1 year and both are over 3 feet tall. Blooms have great color and are a real eye catcher, but the form is not there yet. Does make a great cut rose to share as people love the stripes. **Reynolds** (CA): Miniflora size climber. Two-year plant but have seen little to no variegation. Have seen no disease here in the desert. Settle (AL): 3 ft. stems with multiple blooms at the tips. Interesting color but not show material. Shockley (AR): This baby gets huge—quickly—so be careful where you plant it. The color blending is fabulous—red, crimson, black, pink. Only a few sprays. Decorative form. Sommers (WI): Tall plant with limited number of blooms in the three years I have grown it. Typically shows sprays with deep red form. Wish there were more blooms! Strong (CA): Monster climber with florrie sized blooms. Heading for the stars, even in a small pot. Nothing miniflora about this rose. Should have named it Many Nights of Magic. It's big. Taube (TN): First two years I had it I really regretted getting it as it probably didn't have over a dozen blooms each year. It has bloomed more this year. I still would not describe it as a good bloomer, even in early spring, but maybe with time. Blooms are gorgeous with great form but cut TIGHT because they will NOT last on the bush. Always blooms in clusters so some disbudding is needed. Van Boxtel (CA): I have to say that this rose was one of my slowest growers this year due to the cold, wet weather. Once the weather warmed up, it started shooting 4-5-ft new growth and big beautiful dark striped blooms. I wish it had bloomed for the spring show season, because it does well in shows due to its form. Ware (TX): Has it been reclassified as a LCl as the book says? Very vigorous grower but has not produced many blooms yet. Striping is more pronounced in cooler weather. Willrich (WA) Beautiful maroon with pink stripes that will produce nice sprays. Attracts people's attention with the bright color display. Opens quickly but should be good as an open bloom. Some mild blackspot.



'Almost Flawless' Photo by Dona Martin

ALMOST FLAWLESS, ab, Clark, 2019

Clark (**CA**): An apricot sport of Flawless. Has all parent traits except for apricot color. Can show in individual blooms or large sprays.



'Bleeding Heart' Photo by Dave Bang

BLEEDING HEART, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Garrett (TN): Love the red and white bicolor blooms. They have good form, but the plant lacks vigor so far. Like the blooms so much that we are working hard to get this plant to grow.



'Carol Spiers' (formerly 'Tropical Daze') Photo by Ray Guillebeau

CAROL SPIERS (aka TROPICAL DAZE), ob, Guillebeau, 2021 (K&M)

Dale (GA): A weak plant from the beginning and it finally gave up the ghost. **Dreyer (IA):** She can show, but cut tight as she moves quickly. **Guillebeau (FL):** Nice orange color that doesn't hold its form long enough. My parent plant was lost to a hurricane. If anyone has it, I'd appreciate cuttings. **Shockley (AR):** Nice small coral blooms that have form. More mini than miniflora.



'Chi' Photo by Ping Lim

CHI, r, Lim, 2021 (Alt)

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

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'Cloudy Days'
Photo by Ray Guillebeau

CLOUDY DAYS, pb, Guillibeau, 2019 [K&M]

Guillebeau (**FL**): Unique, light pink/violet color. Nice form and foliage. Can make sprays of up to 5 blooms. Decent stems. Parentage: Mr. Leonard x Queen of Hope. Blooms have good form and pretty sprays. Arrangers would love it.



'Delightful' Photo by Dave Bang

DELIGHTFUL (aka, Jolene), pb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (**TX**): Great form on this miniflora from Dave Bang. Lost in a deep freeze and looking to replace it. **Martin** (**CA**): As of its third year, this rose continued as a slow and low growing rose with occasional blooms of light salmon pink with creamy stripes and some very good form. Not much production but could win royalty if the timing is right. **Sanford** (**TX**): Bicolor, pink with cream reverse, outstanding exhibition form, high centers with good substance. Own-root, slow growing plant has produced exhibition roses but could be more prolific. **Stream** (**FL**): Medium pink that grew well in a pot and had clean foliage. Blooms are too small for a miniflora so I gave it away. **Stever** (**NY**): beautiful but very weak after a mild winter.



'Dream Catcher' Photo by Dave Bang

DREAM CATCHER (DB 4), rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Chappell (GA): Blooms on 2nd yr. plant are medium to large. Will provide sprays and single blooms. Dale (GA): Very flat centers. Shovel pruned to make room for something better. Godfrey (IA): A large plant from K & M with good dark red blend color, some good form, others confused. 2nd winter kill, I give up. **Guillebeau (FL):** Garden variety with no exhibition form. Given away. **Hefner (IN):** Like the red/white blend blooms, however, many are confused. Somewhat slow to repeat. Kozemchak (PA): Reminds me of Child's Play with better taller form. Second year bush hit hard with late freeze, don't know if it will recover. Lockhart (KY): Cream with dark red edges. Pretty rose but center is indented so will only show as a spray. Martin (CA): A red blend miniflora that in heat shows more of a pink edging with a cream center. Circular blooms tend to be flat with about 30 short stubby petals symmetrical arrayed around a loose center. Blooms have good substance but lack the form that would make consistent royalty. Monge (CA): Very tall plant that has good repeat bloom. Exhibition form is getting better as my plant is now in its third year. Blooms are usually one per stem and like many Dave Bang. Roses lasts a long time. Pavlovich (AZ): A stunning red blend by Dave Bang is exceptional in every regard. We have been growing it for six months, and every bloom has been high centered with vibrant color. Prabhu (NC): Fabulous sprays for the garden. Very low show potential. Will be re-homed. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): An attractive, disease resistant red blend from Dave Bang that grows well and produces blooms with exhibition potential. Would like higher centers, but blooms have good holding power. Settle (AL): A foot tall, minimal winter damage. Attractive red, multi colored blooms and is disease resistant. Stever (NY): Nice circular bloom if it was higher centered it would show better. **Taube (TN):** This thing is almost ALWAYS covered in blooms, singles and sprays. Great color, very nice, disease resistant foliage. Paid no attention to the severe cold this past winter. The not so good...I have had it three years. I have never had one bloom with good form. Not one. I have tried feeding it more-lots more. I have tried not feeding it at all. It looks exactly the same no matter what I do. GREAT garden rose but no exhibition potential that I have seen.



'Eyes of Fire' Photo by Dave Bang

EYES OF FIRE, yb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Another example of beautiful, striking blooms and there are not enough of them. Becker (FL): Bang rose that's yellow with red edges. Colors were washed out. Occasional exhibition form. Died during our extreme weather. Not sure if I'll replace. Boyd (SC): Yellow blend blooms with red edges. Slow grower. Waiting to see if show potential improves. Dreyer (KS): Great color, but form hasn't shown up consistently yet. Ekuan (CA): Brilliantly colored blooms on a stalwart disease resistant plant. Confused centers earlier in the year with improvement later on. Hefner (IN): Somewhat slow to start. Have not seen consistent form in the second year. Will give it some time due to the potentially attractive red-yellow color blending. Horn (CA): Blooms are yellow with red edging, with deeper red edging appearing when plants are in direct sun. My own root plant is vigorous, putting out large sprays; and its large glossy, dark green foliage is proving disease resistant thus far. Early blooms have shown some exhibition form. Lockhart **(KY):** Real bright yellow center with pink edge blooms have good exhibition form and will show. Has light fragrance, good foliage and is disease resistant. Mayhew (PA): A beautiful yellow blend bloom. My first-year plant from 2022 was relatively disease free in a no spray garden. However, it apparently is a tender plant, and it did not survive our 2022 winter in a pot in Zone 7b. I would like to get another plant and try again. Monge (CA): Now having the plant for over a year, it is starting to take off. A better Abby's Angels with no mildew problems. The stems have been short and hoping that will improve over the next 2 years. Glossy foliage is a plus. Keeper. Pavlovich (AZ): Spectacular is the word I have for this rose which was hybridized by Dave Bang. It reminds me of the old hybrid tea 'Flaming Beauty' with its bloom color. Our fast-growing plant is just six months old and has presented a number of eye-popping blooms that will command attention at future rose shows. **Regehr** (AZ): New to me this year. Love the color but the rose is still lacking size and yet to see a bloom with form. Sanford (TX): Blooms are yellow with red edging, with

deeper red edging appearing when in direct sun. My own root plant is growing nicely but the form in our Texas heat is unknown yet. **Stever (NY):** Winter hardy and healthy. Nice color and good form. **Van Vlack, (AZ):** My two-year old plant is thriving in a container. It blooms in flushes and so far it's not timing right for the shows. Maybe in the fall. Blooms have good form and bright color combo. **Ware (TX):** A very good grower and good repeat bloom. It does not show much exhibition potential so far. It is mostly yellow except in cooler weather.



'Faithfully Yours' Photo by Dave Bang

FAITHFULLY YOURS, salmon pink-orange-yel blend, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Horn (CA): We have no reports on this rose to date. Bang (CA): Salmon pink & orange, yellow streaks, stripes, flecks. Spiral centered bloom form. Semi-glossy medium green foliage.



'Fire Storm'
Photo by Dave Bang

FIRE STORM, yellow-orange blend, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Editor's Note: We have no reports on this rose to date. Bang (CA): Orange & yellow blooms with yellow streaks, stripes, flecks and red edges. Glossy, medium green foliage. PM free.



'Game Changer'
Photo by Fred Wright

GAME CHANGER, mp, F. Wright, 2021 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): I've changed my mind on this one and will keep it. The blooms are exhibition form. Dale (GA): Transplanted this 3rd yr. plant and it has really taken off. Dusty pink blooms have good repeat and almost every one has exhibition form. Very little disease. Guillebeau (FL): Medium pink with very good form. Reminds me of Swing Time. Definitely worth acquiring. Sets seeds easily so hybridizers take note. Lockhart (KY): Lavender with good exhibition form. Very pretty rose that will show. Has good fragrance but little disease resistance. Sanford (TX): Second year own-root plant. A great growing bush that has done quite well with lots of hot pink blooms. I planted it next to Swing Time for comparison. Shockley (AR): Excellent form & miniflora size on this pink beauty. It should show. Stream (FL): Looks like Swing Time but doesn't have the high centers. Good disease resistance. Blooms last a long time making it good for travelling to shows. F. Wright (NC): A great growing bush. One of the best miniflora roses I have ever had. Color is deep, rich pink. The form is perfect!



'Garden Queen' Photo by Fred Wright

GARDEN QUEEN, pb, F. Wright, 2021 [K&M]

Deck (**AR**): The own root plant simply would not grow and it did not make it through the winter. I did see a few blooms of gorgeous form, large size, and beautiful color. Worth getting another plant, this time on Fortuniana. **Lockhart** (**KY**): Pink with white reverse blooms have real good exhibition form. I will be showing it. **Shockley** (**AR**): Another excellent rose that will show. The pink and white blooms have good centers, and the bush grows well. Beautiful. **F. Wright** (**NC**): This pink blend is a heat lover. Holds its form for many days.



'Good Morning Gorgeous' Photo by Dave Bang

GOOD MORNING GORGEOUS, red, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Doesn't like the heat and although the blooms are pretty, there are simply not enough of them to keep the bush. **Tiffany** (CA): So happy with the name Dave Bang gave this rose. Tall and nice blooms, wish for faster repeat. **Editor's Note:** Observations from the hybridizer, which he posted on HelpMeFind.com are as follows: **Bang** (CA): Blooms are bright red and very full, appearing in small clusters and presenting spiral centers. Foliage is glossy and dark green.



'Healthcare Hero' Photo by Steve Singer

Healthcare Hero, pb, Singer, 2022 [Wisc]

Guillebeau (FL): Light pink with beige tones is new from Wisconsin Roses. Glossy foliage with long stems. Bloom form is there. My plant is young so I hope it continues to impress. Hering (OH): Pink blend with exhibition form, should show. Singer (WI): Blooms have very good show form with lots of petals. Plants have good black spot disease resistance, and very glossy foliage. 65 petals (should do well in warmer climates). Very good show form, upright growth habit. Starner (OH): Planted in the early summer of 2023 as a maiden from Steve Singer. Solid pink color with glossy light green foliage on the first blooms. The form looks good.



'Heroic Love'
Photo by Dave Bang

HEROIC LOVE, rb, Bang, 2021 [K&M]

Bowen (**LA**): Red and white striped blooms have nice form. New bush is growing well. Some blackspot. **Godfrey** (**IA**): Quite similar to Strawberry Kisses, maybe a little larger. Have seen it in the court. **Hefner** (**IN**): After first year of waiting for good form, this year it is preforming well. Very attractive and eye-catching colors.



'It's So Yummy'
Photo by Dave Bang

IT'S SO YUMMY, yb, Bang, 2019, climbing miniflora [K&M]

Bagley (TX): If you catch the blooms early, it can be exhibition. Fewer blooms than I would like but still an interesting striped rose. Godfrey (IA): Came with blind canes, just now showing buds, Still no remarkable bloom. So mine is not yummy. Guillebeau (FL): Pink and yellow stripes from Dave Bang. Has nice form so I'll wait and see what happens. Kozemchak (PA): Third year climber with clean foliage. Color and form good, but haven't seen a lot of blooms yet. Also listed as a LCL in the new handbook. Stever (NY): Hmmm a Cl miniflora. Vigorous nice open blooms. Lockhart (KY): Yellow with pink stripes produces mostly spray with good exhibition form. Grows 8 - 10 ft tall. Very pretty rose. Mayhew (PA): A small climber with an occasional, beautifully striped yellow blend bloom. Often blooms are mostly white. Second-year plant seems to be relatively disease free in a no spray garden but it is struggling to grow after the winter in this Zone 7b. May be classified as a LCl by ARS. Reed (GA): Made it thru a hard winter and deer attack. Will keep it even though the stripes fade in the GA sun. Still a pretty rose. Regehr (AZ): Slow grower and nice color. Thought this was going to be more of a climber but not seeing it in the 1st year. Really hoping to get some substance this winter as I like the color contrast. Settle (AL): About a ft. tall, some winter damage. Blooms are not show quality. Disease resistant.



'Love and Romance' Photo by Dave Bang

LOVE AND ROMANCE, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Guillebeau (FL): Dark pink with lighter reverse from Dave Bang. Very nice form on long stems. Will do very well in the shows. Great addition as a challenge class rose. **Bang (CA):** The rose presents white full blooms with scarlet red edges. Foliage is semi-glossy and medium green and is disease resistant to powdery mildew, blackspot and rust.



'Magical Moment' Photo by Dave Bang

MAGICAL MOMENT (DB 02), rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Horn (CA): This is a climbing miniflora that appears to be nearly identical to 'A Night of Magic', except that 'Magical Moment' is thornless. It has a rampant, ungainly growth habit but puts out lovely dark red blooms with coral-red and rose-pink stripes, streaks and flecks. Its semi-glossy deep green foliage is disease-resistant. This rose definitely has a future on the trophy table, but I gave my plant away to Bob Martin in 2021, since he had more room to accommodate its unwieldy growth habit. **Settle (AL):** Multiple long stems with multiple blooms at the tips. Third year bush is 5-6 ft. tall. Very similar to 'A Night of Magic'. Winter hardy.



'Mango Blush' Photo by Elaine Ornelas

MANGO BLUSH, ob, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): One of my favorite roses from Dave Bang. The color is luscious and there are lots of exhibition shaped blooms. Disease resistant. Becker (FL): Stunning sunset colors that glow in the garden. Blooms are nicely spiraled with show form. Bush increased in size and vigor this year. **Bullard** (SC): A winner already. Color and form are exhibition in every sense. Will light up the head table at a show. Good grower as well. Loads of quality blooms. Chappell (GA): True orange beauty. Great form that really stands out and is a healthy grower. Great for one bloom entry or for adding color to your collections. **Dale (GA):** 3rd yr. bush has taken off and is reaching for the sky. Fair repeat bloom and flowers are an eye catching, vibrant orange. Almost every bloom has exhibition form and it won Prince for me this spring. Disease resistance is better than other Bang roses in my GA garden. **Deck (AR):** Fortuniana grafted plant grew like a weed and then our terrible winter took it down to only two remaining canes. I really like the orange to yellow color. The blooms are the right size for a mfl, and the form is good, although the centers can be a little sunken. It makes a great, colorful open bloom. Dreyer (KS): What a great color combo....can show when caught at right time. Ekuan (CA): The brilliant orange blend color is the outstanding feature of this rose. Form, while not consistent, can be very good at times. Bloom size is often large, up to 4 inches in diameter in our coastal climate. The rose has been winning in our shows. Garrett (TN): Is one of our favorites. Outstanding colorful orange blend blooms have good form. Get it! Guillebeau (FL): Mango blushing to pink. Already showing off on the show tables. Definitely worth getting. Hefner (IN): This one is really cool. I have had many exhibition blooms. It is an eye-catcher in the garden in addition to a vigorous growing plant. Hering (OH): Great orange blend color – striking! Exhibition form is questionable for me so far. Hext (KY): Eye-catching orange blend, 2 years in pot, large blooms hold form, won MF queen at 2022 Tenarky District

show. **Hicks** (AR): Nice form and the color combinations this little rose puts out are such a treat! Hodgins (TX): I'm in love with this rose. It is so pretty. It is a very prolific bloomer with full lush foliage. It has nice form. I'm looking forward to showing it in the fall. **Huff (CA)** Love the blooms. Very slow in putting out new growth (own roots). Huffer (GA): Fussy and slow to repeat with occasional show potential. I'm going to re-home it shortly. Krause (TX): Orange with coral center, good growth, will show mostly single bloom. Lockhart (KY): My favorite Dave Bang rose! It has good exhibition form, wonderful fragrance, good disease resistance, very vigorous and very pretty. Minott (CA): An absolute winner in many ways: either bud, open, afloat, or in multiples. Kozemchak (PA): Absolutely love the gorgeous color of this one! Very good form also. Lost to late freeze. Will have to replace this one. Monge (CA): The best part is the color. I would love to have another row of petals as this blows open very quickly. My plant is not grafted and feel it would benefit from a better root stock option. Fairly disease resistant to mildew. Myers (NC): Nice bloom size and form. This will be on the show tables for a long time. Ornelas (CA): One of our favorite Dave Bang roses. It wins frequently at shows and holds its form for quite a long time. It has an unusual and beautiful coloration of mango/coral color with edges of lavender. This coloration may vary slightly with the time of the year. Mostly disease resistant. The size and form should probably be registered as a floribunda instead of a miniflora. Ortega (NM): I have grown one bush in my garden for two years. Wow, the color on this rose will turn your head. It is a pleasant light orange with a golden/yellow hue. Single bloom with exhibition quality. I have cut this rose and it holds well inside the house. Bush size is upright, 2.5 feet in height. I have not had any disease on the rose. This rose is winter hardy. My garden is at 7,000 feet with constant winter temps in the high 20's to low 30's. I have not exhibited this rose. I know it will do well in a show. Pavlovich (AZ): This orange blend is eye-catching and unique among roses and has pinpoint centers. Our bush is just six months old and growing well. This is another exceptional rose hybridized by Dave Bang. Prabhu (NC): Great color and form but fleeting. Worth keeping for local shows. Regehr (AZ): This is a new bush and still small but look out. The colors are outstanding! In the spring my wife was walking the garden and she stopped to look at the small blooms with the great color. She told me we need more of this rose; it is gorgeous. As you wish dear... ordering more. Reich (TN): Won Queen at the District Show last year with the original plant, but had put in the ground and our December freeze killed it. Bought another from K&M in Feb. at our workshop and it is thriving in a pot. It will not go in the ground! Reynolds (CA): Brilliant orange, can show exhibition form blooms in sprays and one bloom per stem. Russell (CA): (only second growing season in our garden) Blooms continuous, blooms last very long. Have been able to enter and do will with this rose. Kristine has done well in the photography entries. Sanford (TX): First year own-root plant. Vibrant orange rose with some darker highlights. Great form even in our Texas heat. Settle (AL): Good growth and winter hardy. Multiple stems with single blooms. Amazing color and form. Every bloom is near perfect. Shockley (AR): I ditto all of the praise for this gorgeous rose. Sommers (WI): Great form and beautiful orange yellow blend coloration. Hardy in my zone 5 garden. Bloom color fades when refrigerated. Stever (NY): Another one that I love. It is an expensive annual up here. **Stream (FL):** First few years it was flat topped but now is one of my favorites and we've won two Kings with it. Somewhat small blooms due to the heat. Good clean plant. **Strong (CA):** A winner, big voracious plant. Fun colors. Makes me think of Audrey in Little Shop of Horrors every time I see it. Feed me, Seymour! One of the best of the Dave Bang offerings. Taube (TN): WOW!!!! I will start with the negative since there isn't much-it will definitely be pretty quick to show blackspot if you get behind in spraying! Ok, so much for the negative. Very good bloomer with quick repeat, almost every bloom has excellent

exhibition form on nice stems. Blooms singly with a *few* sprays occasionally. Gorgeous color that doesn't mind the heat. AND it smells heavenly!!!!! OUTSTANDING! **Tiffany** (**CA**): Best Dave Bang out there. Large blooms, good repeat, wonderful color, good enough to eat. **Van Boxtel** (**CA**): This rose consistently placed first over the summer in rose shows. This rose is hard to beat. I wish I had more than one of these in my garden! **Van Lenten** (**SC**): Gorgeous color and very good exhibition form. First year plant is not producing too many blooms yet. **Van Vlack**, (**AZ**): Slow to bloom and rebloom. The plant is sturdy at two years in a pot, and it's really tricky to catch it at the right moment color-wise. Good exhibition form, though. **Ware** (**TX**): It's a winner. The color fades in the summer heat as it ages but is vibrant when it first opens. This great healthy plant is fairly tall and very free blooming. **Wickert** (**OH**): I think this rose will have quite a bit of success once more people give it a shot. It has a beautiful combination of colors: various shades of oranges and pinks. It creates tight centers and the foliage is usually in good shape. If there's a downside, the blooms may not be as large as some others in the class. **Wilkinson** (**GA**): Big, strong bush that produces loads of orange blend blooms that have pinpoint centers. Been winning a lot for good reason. **Williams** (**WA**): Good substance form. A winner.



'Marshmallow Bubblegum' Photo by Dave Bang

Guillebeau (FL): Substitute pink and white stripes in comments for It's So Yummy and you have it. Hodgins (TX): This little bush is a slow starter. It's been stingy with blooms and is sparse with foliage. I'll have more to say after I've had it a bit longer. Lockhart (KY): Light pink with light stripe has good exhibition form with some solitary blooms. Slight fragrance and good disease resistance. Mayhew (PA): A beautiful striped pink blend bloom. Bloom has a nice exhibition form. The pink color seems to lean towards an orange pink. Second-year plant seems to be strong and relatively disease free in a no spray garden. Shockley (AR): Only a few blooms on this new rose. Pink/Pale Peach & Samp; cream striped blooms have had outstanding form. Nice!



'Nancy Mae' Photo by Bob Martin

NANCY MAE, pb, Anthony, 2020 AOE [K&M]

Bulman (CA): Last of Richard Anthony's roses that I received from him. A keeper that provides single blooms as well as lovely sprays. Great repeat blooms that do require disbudding on a large spreading plant. Due to our overcast cool spring weather it is really difficult to pick out mildew proof roses but this one did well even though I sprayed regularly. **Dale (GA):** This red and white rose has taken up space for the last 4 years but has not done much at the shows and is disease prone. The shovel is hovering. **Fulgham (TX):** This is very vigorous and sends out long strong stems. It has a color similar to Shameless and Baldo, but lighter, and the flowers are just a little bigger. Spray formation can be outstanding and disease resistance is fine in my sprayed garden. Very good for exhibition. **Garrett (TN):** Pretty creamy white blooms have pinkish red edging and good form. **Hering (OH):** Pink blend with loads of petals and good exhibition form. It definitely will show. An AOE winner. **Kozemchak (PA):** Good form and nice color, will show. Lost my first one, and was lucky enough to get one of the plants Jim Mills rescued from the old For Love of Rose greenhouse. **Martin (CA):** An undersized miniflora with about 29 petals, the rose has good form, semi-quilled as it were, and a nice color for yet another pink blend, more cream edged with red. I suspect this rose will reside on the outside looking in, a Court of Honor rose that seldom

is awarded a crown. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Tried a couple of times to grow this rose. Plants grew well and produced lots of red and white blooms with good form. Bloom size was a little small for a miniflora. Unfortunately, this one had trouble with our winter/spring and after two years as an annual, it wasn't replaced again. Regehr (AZ) The pink blend is very nice and the plant it growing well. Need more blooms to fully understand show potential. Reynolds (CA): Nice show form no disease in the desert, mostly one bloom per stem. Smith (OH): Nancy Mae is very similar to the miniflora, Regina Lee; however, the plant is a more vigorous grower. The blooms will center more often than Regina Lee and is, therefore, a better show rose. I would recommend Nancy Mae to all who grow minifloras. Stream (FL): Got shovel pruned due to be a slow growing with a slow repeat. Strong (CA): Boring miniflora that has passed and I will not be replacing. Van Lenten (SC): Smallish bloom that looks like a lot of other red/white blends. Healthy growing plant with a nice number of blooms. I think it will get lost in the pack.



'Old Tappan' Photo by Paul Columbo

OLD TAPPAN (BENwalrus), op, Benardella, 2019 [K&M]

Frechette (**CA**): This has never really done much in my garden, although it stayed alive until this year when it died. Few blooms, it has exhibition form that blows quickly so I have never taken it to the rose show. I think it needs more petals for really good exhibition form. A small plant. **Stream** (**FL**): Given away as a raffle prize since it stayed small and blooms had no exhibition qualities. Attractive rust color and no diseases. **Strong** (**CA**): Opens too fast, but otherwise a nice, normal miniflora.



'Passionate Love' Photo by Dave Bang

PASSIONATE LOVE, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Editor's Note: We have no reports on this rose to date. I am therefore sharing a few observations from the hybridizer, which he posted on HelpMeFind.com – Dave Bang (CA): Classic hybrid tea form blooms are orange-red with white streaks, stripes and flecks. Foliage is semi-glossy and medium green and is disease resistant to powdery mildew with good resistance to rust.



'Pink Tuxedo' Photo by Neil Duncan

PINK TUXEDO, pb, Fred Wright, 2019 [K&M]

Chappell (GA): Lots of petals give it super substance. This one is now a proven winner. Larger than some other mfls. Dale (GA): A tall, upright grower with thick stems. Hot pink blooms with a white reverse have iron clad substance. Every bloom has a pinpoint center and grooming is a breeze. Cannot say enough good things about this rose. **Deck (AR):** Fortuniana grafted plant stays only about 18 to 20 inches tall. The blooms are fairly large and the color is a rich medium pink with white reverse. Form seems to depend on weather conditions, and when they are right, it is great. It also holds very well. **Garrett (TN):** Good plant that produces nice pink and white blooms. Can have exhibition form. Guillebeau (FL): Lots of petals. Substance really wasn't there for me so it's living elsewhere. **Huff (CA):** Second year and still waiting for it to put out a good bloom. It may not last in my garden. Lockhart (KY): Pink blend with large blooms has good form with lots of petals. Has a tendency to ball up. Martin (CA): In its second year on Fortuniana, it was not growing with much vigor. Blooms are few and far between but an attractive color, reminiscent of Louise Estes. With 60 thick petals, blooms look more like a Brussels Sprout than a Queenly specimen. I suspect the rose has too many petals to open properly in our climate. Shockley (AR): Before offering them for purchase, Fred Wright makes sure that his roses have good exhibition potential. Pink Tuxedo would make a good "collection" rose and may be "royal" occasionally. **Singer (WI):** Bright Pink blooms with a white reverse. Lots of petals, can be very nice.



'Radiant Love' Photo by Dave Bang

RADIANT LOVE, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (**TX**): It took a year for it to bloom. I am not sure it was worth the wait. The bush is still very small but I sort of liked what I saw of the first blooms. **Martin** (**CA**): Initial blooms on a new plant show no form and a so-so open bloom. Color is mottled and unappealing. Doubt there is a

future with this one. **Shockley (AR):** Pretty rose but it hasn't had good form. **Stever (NY):** Grew well. Did not survive. Hope to find a replacement. **Van Boxtel (CA):** This rose reminds me a lot of Strawberry Kisses ("SK") but the sprays are tighter. The blooms are touching and nearly pushing up against each other as they open. I love this rose, and it doesn't grow very big or tall in my garden (like Strawberry Kisses). **Ware (TX):** A tall plant with a lot of blooms which tend to open fairly quickly. It doesn't seem to have much form. The color variations are better in cool weather. **Willrich (WA)** Nice attractive striped rose with bicolor red combination. This one will also be table worthy with exhibition sprays and single blooms that will have to be disbudded in order to show. Visitors to the garden will love this one. At end of bloom cycle it will fade towards a pink/white. Catch it after exhibition and you will have a nice open bloom. Disease free and about 36" in height.



'RBG' Photo by Steve Singer

RBG, yb, Singer, 2021 [Wisc]

Bagley (TX): I have hopes for this first year maiden. The photos are beautiful, but I haven't seen anything like that yet. 100+ degrees is having an effect. **Baker (GA):** Large, beautiful, light yellow blooms with pink edges of its pointed petals. Excellent exhibition form. **Bonfigli (CA):** Another good one from Steve Singer. This one produces creamy blooms edged in a more vibrant pink of excellent form. The blooms this spring were quite large - even for a miniflora. May need some protection from blackspot, but the quality and beauty of the blooms makes the extra effort worth it. **Borrmann (PA):** Nice color. Bush is not a great grower, but the blooms are beautiful. **Boyd**

(SC): Best exhibition form mfl I have grown in years. Seems that it cannot produce a bad bloom. Tall grower with nice stems. Blooms refrigerate well for several days. Bulman (CA): Saw this rose at last year's national convention from Wisconsin Roses and was and still am impressed with how well it has grown in a short time. Right now, still in container but a spot has been reserved in the garden. Can't wait to see how this one turns out. Clark (CA): Excellent form that opens fairly fast in my climate. Growing slowly, but showing some nice large mini flora blooms. Dale (GA): I'm very impressed with this new one that settled in quickly and soon started producing the gorgeous, quilled blooms that others rave about. Form can be fleeting, especially in our heat. Eckley (CO): Not hardy. Waiting for blooms others have had. Garrett (TN): Good grower has very good exhibition blooms. Guillebeau (FL): Going to be a great exhibition rose. Form, stems, and foliage – it has it all. **Hefner (IN):** Beautiful coloration of creamy-yellow pink, well-formed blooms. May tend to be a little large but almost all blooms are exhibition. Needs extra winter protection. Hering (OH): Yellow blend with OUTSTANDING exhibition form - a Queen machine. Hogrefe (NE): My maiden plant still struggling, not what I expected. Horn (CA): I have two new plants this year that are just now showing signs of its celebrated form. It is definitely not disease resistant in regard to powdery mildew and will require a regular spray program to keep it clean. However, I believe the form will outweigh any other considerations. I have high hopes for RBG. Huffer (GA): Fabulous rose from Steve Singer. Full, high-centered blooms with quilled petals. Extremely good show potential. Kozemchak (PA): Great form and substance, seems to be winter tender, should probably protect it. I think it will be a bloom machine in the garden and will show well too! Lost one, but replaced, don't want to be without this one. Miller (OH): Great exhibition blooms. The bloom has many petals that holds well. A little winter tender in Ohio. Minott (CA): RBG is a powerhouse for show quality blooms. Monge (CA): I so wanted to enjoy this one. I am not getting the pink coloring that is pictured. It looks just like Butter Cream. Good exhibition form. Mine is a runty plant always struggling with powdery mildew. I will give it one more year. Pavlovich (AZ): This yellow blend hybridized by Steve Singer of Wisconsin Roses is an elite exhibition rose that has already won Queen of Show at a national by none other than Steve Singer. It could be a Queen machine because every bloom on our plant that is now over a year old has perfect exhibition form with exquisite form. Plasz (IL): Great new MF by Steve Singer. I have had some great ones in shows but I keep getting beat. Singer (WI): Always reliable show form, a nice rose for both garden and exhibition. Prabhu (NC): Great blooms with excellent exhibition form. Holds well and is a keeper. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Got this one as a maiden from Wisconsin Roses this year. Still too early to tell its exhibition potential. Shockley (AR): An outstanding rose that will show. Beautiful! Singer (WI): Blooms have perfect show form, Love the yellow/pink that she shows. Winning here and abroad. Sommers (WI): Dependable exhibition blooms with exquisite color. Winter hardy in my zone 5 garden. I have two plants but should have more! Starner (OH): Planted in the spring of 2022. Excellent form with many yellow/pink petals on a vigorous growing bush. Had a King of the MF show last fall. Stream (FL): Blooms are consistently top quality and light cream with pink edges. Very little disease. Strong (CA): Gave mine away because someone else was craving it. Gonna get another. Wickert (OH): I first saw this rose last year at our spring rose show and I knew I had to buy one. I've only had it a couple months, but the first bloom was large with a great center and no foliage issues so far. I'm looking forward to further evaluation on this rose. Wilkinson (GA): Maiden plant has produced a few very nice blooms. I like what I see. I can't get enough of this rose, unique apricot color great form. Large bloom here. Williams (WA) Huge bloom with great colors. High hopes for this season.



'Ruthie's Rose' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

RUTHIE'S ROSE, pb, Singer, 2021 [Wisc]

Deck (AR): Plant budded on multiflora never grew very well and then succumbed to the worst winter I've ever had. The blooms were gorgeous and the form was always there. It looked like a larger version of Joy. **Fleming (WI):** Another excellent show rose from Steve Singer! Delicate color, high centers, much to like about this rose! **Garrett (TN):** Pretty pink and white exhibition formed blooms. Nice plant. **Guillebeau (FL):** Another great rose from Wisconsin Roses. White with pink edging. Not as vigorous as RBG but it's getting there. **Miller (OH):** I feel this rose has exhibition potential. I hope to show this rose this fall. **Singer (WI):** White with pink edged blooms can have some yellow at times also. Good show form, dark glossy foliage.



'Sacrificial Love' Photo by Dave Bang

SACRIFICIAL LOVE, 2020, dr, Bang [K&M]

Becker (FL): Muddled, dark red blooms from Dave Bang. Wasn't a big fan of this rose. Died over the winter and won't replace. Hefner (IN): Very dark red that retains its color well, slow to open. Probably best used as an open bloom. Have not seen consistent centers. Guillebeau (FL): Good but not great rose in our heat and humidity. Had to let it go. Lockhart (KY): Real dark red with a good form that should show. Foliage is good and has good disease resistance with light fragrance. Shockley (AR): I loved the dark red blooms; could have good form. It died in the winter ice. Stever (NY): Really liked it. Did not survive. Hoping to reorder in 2023. Strong (CA): Very similar to the very darkest reds in Memphis Music, without the disease issues. Taube (TN): VERY good bloomer, healthy, disease resistant foliage on a strong, robust plant. Lovely deep, DEEP red color with black shading. I really like this rose a lot! But, for me, blooms with classic exhibition form have been the exception rather than the rule. But when you do get them, they will be on the table in any show! Van Vlack, (AZ): The Phoenix heat defeated this one. Ware (TX): Has not been a strong grower in its second year, but when it bloomed this spring it made Queen. Good form and love the deep color.



'Samantha Tai' Photo by Richard Anthony

SAMANTHA TAI, pb, Anthony, 2019

Anthony (TN): This eautiful light pink miniflora has a darker pink edge. The rose will definitely exhibit either for Queen or in Challenge Classes. An added bonus is it's fragrance. **Bagley** (TX): Tall bush with lovely blooms but stingy with them. **Eckley** (CO): Growing 4th year. Terrific showtime blooms. Pinpoint center is consistent. **Guillebeau** (FL): Light pink blend. Tall plant with long stems. Internal node spacing is a little off-putting but bloom form makes up for it. Not sure where it's available but you need to find one. **Helegson** (MN): Happy to see this one on the list! Healthy, vigorous with exhibition possibilities. **Stever** (NY): Form and color are good. Winter hardy. Decent, but nothing special. **Stream** (FL): Grafted plant is really big but blooms are really small with flat tops. Good color but is a blackspot magnet. On the short list for elimination.



'Spice of Life' Photo by Suzanne Horn

SPICE OF LIFE, ob, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Bright and shapely bloom that stands out in the garden. Pretty bloom that will show and makes a nice statement in the garden. Disease resistant, vigorous bush with lots of blooms even in 100 degrees. **Dale (GA):** Really liking this vigorous, healthy plant with hot orange blooms. Have seen some show qualities and ordered a second bush. Dreyer (KS): Wonderful bright orange...will be good in arrangements and sometimes has the form needed to show. Guillebeau (FL): A very good orange that will show well. Hefner (IN): Well-formed orange blooms with many petals. Nice color addition to the miniflora class. Hodgins (TX): The orange/red color on this rose is stunning. I've not decided on the form because I've not had many blooms to compare it with. As with Marshmallow Bubblegum, I'll know more after I've had it longer. Horn (CA): Bright clear orange blooms have good form and substance. My two own root plants are quickly becoming tall growers. In fact, they have become huge in 25-gallon pots. Overall, I am very pleased with this variety. The plants have semi-glossy medium green foliage that is very disease resistant and the rebloom factor is good too. For me, it's a keeper. Lockhart (KY): Red with reverse has good exhibition form and good for disease resistance. It will have some single blooms. Monge (CA): Vibrant orange red flowers and a very tall plant. Once the basal breaks start, the flowers have better exhibition form. Not as long-lived for blooms like most Dave Bang roses, Mostly one bloom per stem, some clusters and good stem length. Nicely resistant to mildew. Roussell (LA): Beautiful, deep orange blooms with perfect exhibition form. This rose really shines here on the gulf coast. Great rose. Shockley (AR): The Dave Bang rose that seems to have surprised everyone seems to have it all. Its attractive orange red color is eye catching; it has good miniflora size; the blooms have excellent form with high centers, and the spiral is perfection. It's one to get and one to show. **Stever (NY):** Love it! Very hardy and vigorous. Huge well-formed and hot colored. **Stream (FL):** A tall grower and a very clean plant. Blooms are not show quality. Will keep it one more year until I find a replacement. **Taube (TN):** WOW! This is truly a fabulous rose! ALWAYS in bloom and usually LOADS of blooms! Very good to excellent form on almost all of them. Color will deepen in cooler weather but even in the heat it is still a gorgeous, vibrant orange. Benefits from some disbudding for sprays or one bloom per stem. A winner!



'Strawberry Delight' Photo by Dave Bang

STRAWBERRY DELIGHT (DB-14), rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Martin (**CA**): Registration submitted as a floribunda but now a miniflora, which is what we see in our garden. The plant has some vigor but mostly produces muddled blooms that are a strawberry red with cream stripes. It is unlikely to remain in the garden.



Strawberry Kisses Photo by Paris Merriam



Strawberry Kisses – National Mini Queen Photo by Suzanne Horn, Shown by Bill & Elaine Ornelas

STRAWBERRY KISSES, rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Like the intensity of this striped rose. Growing well. Blooms have great form. Not as much blackspot so it appears to be getting healthier with age. Bulman (CA): My friends know that striped roses are not my favorite, but this one came out of Bob Martin's garden and it will get all the care it needs to win me over. So far pretty tall and has shown many sprays and single blooms. Do not think mildew will be a problem. Planted next to Bob's Butter Cream. Clark (CA): Excellent form with holding power. Unique color and stripe is always different. Often needs disbudding for single stem. Clemons (AL): love the stripes and each bloom is unique. Good grower with long stems. Bloom can be a little small for a mfl. May add another. Cooney (CA): On own roots and produces long-stemmed, one to a stem blooms with great form. Pleasing red and white stripe. Great show rose. **Dale** (**GA**): 2nd yr. bush on Fortuniana is a tall, fast grower. Fair repeat bloom. I have seen some good centers but should be reclassed as a Mini. Blackspot is a problem despite spraying. Saw some stunning blooms on the head table at our show. Ordered a second plant. **Deck (AR):** Grows tall and lanky with leaves only on the top 1/3 of the plant. Bloom form is good, but I still get small blooms for a miniflora. Maybe I'm just spoiled by minifloras like Gift of Love and Little Queen. Drever (KS): Just keeps on churning out beautiful blooms as singles and sprays....she's a keeper for sure. Ekuan (CA): One of Dave's finest, a proven winner in the garden and on the show table. Does well on its own roots, even better when budded. Fulgham (TX): This plant was outstanding in its first year, then it nearly died for reasons unknown. After treating the soil with Medina Hasta Gro, it bounced back. It is especially good for sprays and the color is outstanding. Definitely exhibition potential. Garrett (TN): One of our favorite stripped roses. Seems to always be covered in mini sized blooms. Has enough petals to be a good exhibition variety. Godfrey (IA): Mine is a large plant, blooms have good form but so far no two alike. Have seen it in the Miniature Court with miniature size but mine is large. Follow up note to Editor: I've seen it in the miniature court because it was entered in the wrong class and the judges evidently didn't check the class. Guillebeau (FL): Very good form on long stems. Plant grows well but bloom size just a bit larger than minis. Guess I'll wait on it. Hefner (IN): One of my favorites. Produces abundant flowers that are attractive, well-formed and eye catching in the garden. Vigorous plant. Helgeson (MN): An all-around favorite. Equally good exhibition, vase or potted. Horn (CA): Probably the best-known of the Dave Bang roses, it presents white blooms with crimson streaks, stripes and flecks. Each blossom is different. Some are lighter and some have deeper red streaks. My own root plants are vigorous and put out large sprays. It must be diligently disbudded to obtain one-to-a-stem blooms. It reblooms well but does get some powdery mildew. Overall, it's a good show rose and continues to win Queen in the Pacific Southwest District. It also won Miniflora Queen for Bill & Elaine Ornelas of San Diego in the 2023 Shreveport National Show. Humphrey (OR): Great spirals and stripes! Won an award in a PNW show. Kozemchak (PA): One of my new favorites! Great form and color, which varies widely. Some blooms are mostly white, others mostly red, and others somewhere in between, all at the same time. Lost this one over the winter, but I'll be adding more! Krause (TX): Red and white striped rose with good form and good repeat. Lockhart (KY): Very pretty rose with good form. Produces mostly dark red with lighter stripe sprays that are eye-catching! Merriam (CA): One of my favorite miniflora roses. Every rose is different, with white petals and crimson stripes and streaks. Lots of petals, long stems, and good exhibition form. Minott (CA): Good looker with winning form. It blooms in unique symmetric spray clusters. Often, though, these appear on a "tree" of thirty blooms here. Monge (CA): Be patient and give it 3 years before giving up on it. Variation in the amount of white vs red in the flowers. I notice more red in the fall. Excellent longevity on the plant and cut.

This one does have mildew issues in the spring. Mine is on fortuniana rootstock. Excellent exhibitor rose. Ornelas (CA): This is our first Dave Bang rose and our favorite. It has beautiful blooms of white with red stripes and flecks that may vary slightly during different times of the year. The excellent exhibition spiral form holds for a very long time. We won Queen Miniflora at the last ARS Convention in Shreveport with this rose after transporting our bloom in our suitcase for 2000 miles! It's a winner! **Pavlovich (AZ):** Another exceptional rose by hybridizer Dave Bang, the white and magenta blooms will catch everyone's attention with perfect form. It grows extremely well in our garden aid is winning top awards in the USA and the United Kingdom. Prabhu (NC): Grows like a weed. Hard to find good stems with enough foliage to show. Frequently gets great form and occasionally I can find a stem with foliage I can exhibit. Regehr (AZ): This was a gift for a friend that lost her mother. She loved strawberries so I added this to her garden. Of course, I had to add several to mine as well. She loves the rose and colors. All of them are first year and struggling in the AZ heat but we both love the color and does seem to have form potential. Shimoda (CA): Great contrasting stripes, newly acquired, one bloom. Own root. **Shockley (AR):** A fun rose with good form and unexpected color combos. A unique show rose. Sommers (WI): My favorite new miniflora! First year plant was rather stingy with blooms but this year there are many and they are all have perfect form and long lasting. Hardy and disease resistant in my zone 5 garden. Stever (NY): Was the weakest grower of the new varieties. Form was good but too short. Did not survive. Stream (FL): Can be quite good and has won King for us but is small for its class. Has a few foliage issues so spraying is recommended. Strong (CA): A distinctive Dave Bang rose that shows very well and grows vigorously on its own roots. After Mango Blush, probably the best of the Dave Bangs. Taube (TN): GORGEOUS! Very good bloomer and most blooms have great to outstanding form. Showing up on trophy tables all across the country so it seems to be a pretty consistent performer. Another stellar Dave Bang. Fast repeat, beautiful stripes. Tiffany (CA): Best Dave Bang out there. Large blooms, good repeat, wonderful color, good enough to eat. Van Boxtel (CA): Strawberry Kisses is now a very common rose among the rose exhibitors in San Diego. I was constantly competing against exhibitors this year with similar near-perfect blooms. Due to this fact, I think it's a great rose to have if no one else in your community has it, but if 3 or more people have it then it's like a broken record in shows. It's a double-edged sword when you have a great rose like this one. Van Lenten (SC): Unique, smallish, striped blooms that are all different. Most blooms have exhibition form and will form humongous sprays if you let it. Van Vlack, (AZ): Kissed goodbye. Wilkinson (GA): Tall, slender bush that almost wants to be a small climber. Blooms are normal mfl size for me and are produced in sprays or singles on nice stems. Pinpoint centers that hold for days. Every exhibitor needs at least one.



'Surprise' Photo by Dave Bang

SURPRISE, pb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Colors were muddled and form was generally lacking with confused centers. Gone. Bowen (LA): Pink and yellow striped blooms with nice form. New plant is growing well. Some blackspot. Godfrey (IA): Too new to tell, color unique. Hefner (IN): Another vigorous striped variety from Dave Bang. Beginning to have some exhibition form after last year of nothing but confused blooms. Floribunda size blooms. Lockhart (KY): Pink and yellow blend with good form but opens quickly. Has very good foliage. Martin (CA): A surprisingly good rose, a well-formed coral pink with yellow stripes. Blooms are large and tend to be a bit flat. Vigorous grower but could be more productive of bloom. Mayhew (PA): A nice striped yellow blend bloom with exhibition form. My second -year plant has survived the 2022 winter in Zone 7b and is growing well here. Stever (NY): Another on Dave Bang's winter hardy roses. Color and form are good and tall enough to avoid deep bending. **Strong (CA):** Hmmm, I think I have this one, but I am not sure. It appears that many of these striped Bang roses got mixed up in the greenhouses at For Love of Roses, and that these pastel pink/yellow stripes appear all the time under a variety of names. We growers are going to have to get this sorted out someday. The one I grow under the name "Surprise" is delightful. Tiffany (CA): Still small for me so I am surprised when I get a bloom, but they are coming. Wish for plant size. Wish for plant size. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is almost identical to Swizzle. Without the foliage, you wouldn't be able to tell the difference. Surprise has larger leaves, and my rose is about 36" tall. This rose does excellent in shows. The glossy, healthy foliage really stands out compared to other roses in the same category.



'Tangerine Flames'
Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins Roses

TANGERINE FLAMES, MinFl. Cl., ob, Bedard, 2019 [Cert; J&P]

Reich (TN): 4th year to grow. Blooms are a pretty light orange in a cluster but stems are too short to exhibit. Too thorny and too much blackspot to keep. Looking for replacement.



'Trinket' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

TRINKET, pb, Fred Wright, 2019 [K&M]

Dale (GA): A Fred Wright rose that is a slow grower in its third year. Stingy repeat bloomer with short stems but can have exhibition form. Sparse foliage. Not impressed. **Deck (AR):** Plant stays fairly small but has large blooms with good form that hold well. Color is lighter pink than Pink Tuxedo and it does not have the white reverse. **Guillebeau (FL):** Dark pink blend from Fred Wright that is a very good rose. Nice form, color, and foliage. Unfortunately, mine died for some unknown reason. **Lockhart (KY):** Dark Pink with light reverse, real good exhibition form, light fragrance. This rose will show well. Good disease resistance & foliage. **Singer (WI):** A lovely rose that looks similar in color to me to Eddie Edwards HT. Pinkish red/white blend that can have very good show form.



'True Love'
Photo by Chris VanCleave

TRUE LOVE (aka RED CAPTAIN), red, Lim, 2022

Huffer (GA): Vibrant, non-fading red by Ping Lim. Thin stems can't support the blooms. Could be shown as a spray. Very disease resistant.



'Twinkle Little Star' Photo by Dave Bang

TWINKLE LITTLE STAR, white-peach blend, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Sanford (**TX**): First year own-root plant is growing nicely. Has white blooms with cream shading in center with good form so far. **Bang** (**CA**): Classic hybrid tea form blooms come mostly singly and are white with peach at the centers. Flowers are medium to large and very full, having 40-60 petals, and tend to ball in wet weather. Foliage is glossy and medium green, is relatively disease free, but it can get powdery mildew. It is heat tolerant, preferring warm climates and full sun. Bonus is strong, fruity fragrance.



'Unnamed Hot Pink Miniflora Seedling' Photo by David Clemons

UNNAMED HOT PINK SEEDLING (Merlot x Seedling), dp, Clemons, 2024

Editor: We have no reports on this rose to date. I am therefore sharing a few observations from the hybridizer. **Clemons (AL):** Having only the mother plant I am now budding several to hopefully increase its vigor and number of blooms. I am not sure of its future but I do know that the blooms are very good exhibition quality and could be very show worthy.



'Vernon Rickard' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

VERNON RICKARD, pb, Fred Wright, 2020

Borrmann (PA): I love this rose. Great color and a good grower. Had it on the court in the spring! **Boyd** (SC): Excellent exhibition form blooms. Very healthy plant that consistently produces quality blooms. A little slow to repeat. **Bulman (CA):** A gift from my friend John Lester after his passing and downsizing his garden. The transplant went well and it has provided many large single stem blooms in my garden. Since I spray hard to tell on mildew but the plant is certainly robust and I know why John was fond of it. Must give it room as it is tall and wide. Chappell (GA): Vigorous, upright grower. Blooms may be downgraded as being overgrown but I will continue to grow and show this wonderful rose. Dale (GA): Stems and bloom size mimic some HTs on this Fortuniana-grafted bush. Would make a great hi-lo with Crescendo. Definite exhibition form that will win. Disease is not too much of a problem. **Deck (AR):** If I had known how big it gets I would have planted it elsewhere. But I love the big minifloras because they produce so many blooms. These are big and have a slight fragrance. They are cream with a dark pink edge. Form is very good but it opens a little fast. Garrett (TN): Beautiful creamy white blooms with pink edging have good exhibition form. Great rose named for a great guy! Guillebeau (FL): I think it's the same rose as Vernon's Laugh. A good rose with long stems and pretty good form. Kind of big for the class. Myers (NC): Darker in color than Vernon's Laugh but not as vigorous. Hefner (IN): Vigorous plant with well-formed exhibition flowers. Would be great matched pair with Marlon's Day. Huff (CA) First year. Put out amazing blooms. Kozemchak (PA): Large blooms with nice color and very good form, on a healthy vigorous bush. Lockhart (KY): This is a real nice rose with good exhibition form, good disease resistance, little fragrance. This rose will show. Miller

(OH): Very nice exhibition blooms. Very prolific. Ortega (NM): I have grown one bush in my garden for two years. It produces loads of single blooms with exhibition quality. The one fault is the blooms can, at times, get large, in fact, so large that it be taken as a floribunda. The leaves are dark green and frame the bloom very well. The bush size is upright 2.5 to 3 feet in height. I have not had any disease on the rose. This rose is winter hardy. My garden is at 7,000 feet with constant temps in the high 20's to low 30's. I have not exhibited this rose. It has high center unfolding in circular form with a pin point center. However, it holds very well in the sun for a few days with no fading on the bloom. Plasz (IL): Wonderful new MF, beautiful form and color, winters over very nicely, so far both years. Prabhu (NC): The plant is super vigorous and grows very large (6 ft by 5 ft.) on own root. The color and form, while somewhat similar to Vernon's Laugh, are less consistent and you have to wait for a good one. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Still one of our favorite minifloras. Grows tall and has large blooms with excellent form. Our plants produce both singles and sprays, and they can compete in both categories. This is clearly one to get! Settle (AL): Show quality blooms on long stems. Disease resistant. Winter hardiness is questionable since it's a much smaller bush this year. Shockley (AR): One of four Fred Wright minifloras I bought Spring 2021. On Fortuniana, the bushes are 4 ½ feet tall, branching well and producing beautiful roses. The pink and white blooms on Vernon Rickard are lovely and are exhibition quality. Singer (WI): Very tall grower, good show form. Starner (OH): Planted in the early summer of 2023 as a maiden. Seems to be a good grower with outstanding form on the first pink/white blooms. Looking forward to exhibiting this beauty in the fall. **Stream (FL):** Fast repeat bloomer that grows very tall and needs staking. Needs to be sprayed. Low petal count so cut it tight when travelling. A real jaw dropper that is winning. Van Lenten (SC): Very nice, large mfl that can have light or dark pink petal edges as the mood hits it. Very much like Vernon's Laugh.



'Vernon's Laugh' Photo by Suzanne Horn, shown by Ray Guillebeau

VERNON'S LAUGH, yb, Rickard 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Beautiful bloom that will show. I like it. Becker (FL): One tough plant that is putting out nicely formed blooms with good exhibition potential. Vigorous grower. Boyd (SC): Excellent exhibition form blooms on a large plant. Good, sturdy stems to support blooms that can be very large for a mfl. Refrigerates well for about four days. Healthy foliage. Bulman (CA): A rose on fortuniana that again provides long straight canes and single blooms. Why are all the good ones pink blends. Gives us problems in color class shows. Probably mildew free. Dale (GA): Fortuniana-grafted bush gets really tall. Exhibition form, creamy blooms with pink edges. Almost identical to Vernon Rickard. Slow repeat on this new plant but all have exquisite form. **Deck (AR):** My own root plant did not grow very well. The blooms I saw looked and smelled exactly like Vernon Rickard. I wondered if I had actually gotten Vernon Rickard, but then it died in the terrible winter. VR makes so many nice blooms that I don't need something that looks the same. Drever (IA): We'll be seeing plenty of this one on the head table....great color combination and form. Godfrey (IA): This is one of Vern's best, in my humble opinion. It has lots of exhibition pb blooms, usually one to a stem. Haven't been lucky enough to time one for a show. Plant is winter tender even in Styrofoam coffin and slow to recover. Hering (OH): Pink blend, lighter in color than Vernon Rickard, great centers, quills. **Helgeson (MN):** Excellent form, pale color blend. Huffer (GA): Lovely exhibition blooms nearly every time. Blooms and plants are FB size. Definitely a winner. Myers (NC): Great, light pink-edged blooms with exceptional form. Quick repeat bloom. **Prabhu (NC):** A beautiful rose with mostly good form, great color. Blooms are of good size. Quite consistent. Plant is a good grower. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Still one of our favorite minifloras. This one grows tall and has large blooms with excellent form. Our plants produce both singles and sprays and can compete in both categories. This is clearly one to get! **Sanford (TX):** First year plant. White with pale pink edges. Good form with tall, upright growth. Looks promising. **Shockley (AR):** Will show. **Starner (OH):** New planting this spring on its own roots. Pink/white blooms are smaller than Vernon Laugh with good form on the first blooms. Vigorous growing bush. **Stream (FL):** Same as Vernon Rickard except petal edges are not as red as the VR plant. **Van Lenten (SC):** Great rose that has a lot of nice, exhibition blooms. Can have lighter or darker petal edges at the same time. Good grower even on own roots. Won Best New Mfl in RIR but was left out of the last Handbook for Selecting Roses because it was thought not to be in commerce. It is available through Roses Unlimited.



'Zion Rose' Photo by Jim Sproul

ZION ROSE, yb, Sproul, 2019 [K&M]

Belendez (CA): I have grown Zion Rose for several years. The bloom color is a stunning orange and yellow combo, and I have seen no mildew on it even without spraying chemicals. **Boyd** (SC): Yellow blend that has some orange-red shades with cooler temps. Can be slow to repeat and prone to blackspot. **Bulman** (CA): Large bushy grower that needs thumb pruning to do its best. My neighbor planted a pomegranate tree close and it seems to like a little shade. This one will need to be closely monitored for mildew. My plants are pretty far apart so have had little problems with spider mites. **Ekuan** (CA): Great color with generally good form. Foliage is susceptible to discoloration caused by some fungicides. Mildew resistant. **Guillebeau** (FL): Yellow blend with

long stems. Young plant appears to have what it takes to be a good one. Horn (CA): This is a very pretty yellow blend rose with shades of reddish-orange from hybridizer Jim Sproul. My own root plant grew well and put out miniature sized blooms with form and good substance. It could definitely use another row of petals. If you catch it just right and cut it tight, it will show. I have seen it win in our District. However, I believe it would be better classified as a miniature based on its very small bloom size. Semi-glossy medium green foliage produces excellent disease resistance, which is to be expected from a Jim Sproul rose. Blooms are show quality, nicely formed and it puts out a lot of blooms. Martin (CA): Makes very well-formed richly textured blooms of reddish orange with a yellow interior and yellow reverse. Blooms have good substance but blow quickly and tend to fade. An own root bush is growly adequately and we now have a second on Fortuniana that is growing with enthusiasm. The latter is much more productive of bloom. **Minott** (CA): One more reasonable entry in a really tough class. Ornelas (CA): We have this rose in a 7gallon squat pot on our upper deck and it is blooming prolifically with gorgeous yellow and orange blooms. Shiny leaves have no disease. Stream (FL): Stays very small and is a stingy bloomer. Blooms are showy but very few have show quality. Not worth the trouble growing it here in the southeast. Wickert (OH): I've had this rose in my garden for 4 years and the rose continues to get better each year. I mention the bright colors on this rose every year in this review. It's an outstanding combination of yellow, pink and orange highlighter colors. The downsides here in NE Ohio are that it does not like our winters much, the centers are not always tight, and it does get blackspot pretty easily. However, I will be keeping it in my garden as long as it stays alive, because of the beautiful colors.

Miniatures

Honor Roll: Arcanum, Bee's Knees, Daddy Frank, Dancing Flame, Dr. Tommy Cairns, Fairhope, Glowing Amber, Hot Tamale, Irresistible, Joy, Magic Show, Miss Flippins, Pierrine, Renegade, Soroptimist International, Ty, and now Chessie's Favorite



'A Night to Remember' Photo by Dave Bang

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER, rb, Bang, 2021 [K&M]

Hodgins (**TX**): This rose seems to be more susceptible to spider mites. I am constantly spraying. The color on this rose is nice, the blooms, as indicative of its classification are small but not tiny. The foliage is a deep green when I'm not battling mites. **Reynolds** (**CA**): Too new to rate. **Wright** (**AR**): Doubtful it will show but the red, burgundy, pink and white blooms are pretty in the garden. It grows well in my shady garden.



'Akiko San' Photo by Justin Ekuan

AKIKO SAN, lp, Desamero, 2021

Cooney (CA): Nice pink single that will last on the bush. No mildew showing on the California coast. Currently in a 2-gallon pot, but I think it will be more vigorous when I put it in the ground. Ekuan (CA): This is the light pink single sport of Dr. Thomas Cairns discovered by Luis Desamero and named after Akiko Strathmann, a well-known Southern California rosarian and judge. The blooms are rather large, 2 - 2.5-inches in diameter. Bloom production is continuous making it a good candidate for exhibition. Monge (CA): Such a delicate single petalled rose. Blush pink. Not getting any stem length to exhibit with. Strong (CA): A decent single mini, but it does not compete at shows with Grace Seward, Lavender Spoon or Halo Today. Weird angular growth habit. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is difficult to grow, and the roses don't last very long. My rose is dense (too much foliage), which causes lots of airflow issues and powdery mildew. I like the blooms, but they're gone within a couple of days.



'Angel's Breath'
Photo by hybridizer Ray Guillebeau

ANGEL'S BREATH, pb, Guillebeau (Introduction pending – K&M)

Guillebeau (FL): Angels Breath is a seedling of 'Shar My Love'. It came about in 2020. Grows to medium height and blooms heavily. Very fragrant bloom about 2.5" across. Sets seeds easily.



'Baby Bumbles' Photo by Michael Birmingham

BABY BUMBLES, y, Birmingham & Debbink, 2019

Hering (OH): Yellow, decorative, one per stem and clusters, low growing, excellent disease resistance, 2020 AOE winner.



'Baby Dainty Bess' Photo by Peter Alonso

BABY DAINTY BESS, lp, Sproul, 2019

Anderson (WI): It is a wonderful and happy little plant that bloomed for me twice the first and second year - about four months apart. Then I repotted it for the third time in successively larger pots and the plant has been a prolific, floriferous repeat bloomer ever since. It will set hips if you do not remove the spent blooms, which I do and that will encourage repeat bloom on this 10" – 12" plant. Belendez (CA): The very cute blooms are a miniature look-alike to Dainty Bess, both of which I grow. So far, Baby Dainty Bess appears to be a continuous bloomer, but I cannot detect any fragrance on the 5-petalled blooms. The petite blooms are barely 1-1/2" wide when open flat. Bloom color is light pink with dark red stamens. After growing this rose for several years on its own roots, it seems to grow comfortably in a 2-gallon pot. Helgeson (MN): I keep imagining this rose in a hi-lo exhibit with Dainty Bess. Love this rose — lots of bloom! First mini rose to bloom in spring. Hering (OH): Well named by Jim Sproul because it is the miniature spitting image of Dainty Bess. A single which will show as one bloom per stem or spray. AOE winner for 2023. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): A true miniature with blooms that look just like the HT Dainty Bess. Growing well and disease resistant, but most stems have remained shorter than we would like for exhibiting. Stream (FL): 4 yr. old plant is always in bloom but has very short stems.



'Bob Martin' Photo by Ivor Mace



'Bob Martin', National Mini Queen
Photo by Suzanne Horn, Shown by Ray & Diane Guillebeau

BOB MARTIN, my, Benardella, 2019 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Growth is improving with age. Exhibition blooms are bright yellow that fade on the outer petals in the hot sun. Definitely keeping this one. Boyd (SC): Exhibition form blooms on short stems. A bit of a stingy bloomer. Can be prone to blackspot. **Bulman (CA):** As known by most this is a slow starter but will be a great rose with time. Ken Huff and I received plants from Richard Anthony for Bob's convention and were able to get many of them distributed to some convention goers. It is also a small rose that requires disbudding to get to perfection but with loving care will be rewarding. Capote (NY) This rose has been slow to start as an own-root plant. I do not know if this is normal for the variety or if it is just a low growing plant. But in any case, the blooms on this rose are excellent. It is a bright yellow that does not fade and each bloom has perfect form every time. What is there not to love. Cavanaugh (OR) Light yellow flowers with mostly good centers come on a very small bush. I haven't been able to exhibit it yet, but it should do well. Chappell (GA): Non-fading, bright yellow that will make multiple trips to the trophy table. Great sprays with abundant blooms. Cooney (CA): Nice form on bright yellow bloom. Needs to be in the ground to flourish. Dale (GA): 3rd year, own root bush is taking its sweet time growing. Slow repeat bloom. Have seen some nice sprays. May be a good show rose as it matures. Deck (AR): Such perfect little bright yellow blooms and sprays! If only the thing would grow! Maybe I need a grafted one. Dreyer (KS): Needed a year to get form, but giving nice blooms this year. Ekuan (CA): This miniature is a heavy bloomer but there are problems; color is not great, powdery mildew can be a problem and the blooms are quick to show damage by western flower thrips. There are much better yellow minis out there. The late great Bob Martin, whom we miss dearly, deserves a much better rose to bear his name. Garrett (TN): Our favorite vellow mini! Good grower has good exhibition form and lots of vibrant blooms. Godfrey (IA): Love the bloom, time will help me observe it more. Guillebeau (FL): May be the best yellow exhibition mini ever. Slow to take off but after three years I am very impressed. Won the National Queen this year. Makes great sprays as well. Put it on your list to get one. Hefner (IN): Not excited about growing, but after budding on multiflora it is showing some exhibition blooms and small sprays. Hering (OH): Medium yellow with great exhibition form. **Hext (KY):** 2nd year in pot, size increased significantly and many more bright yellow blooms this year especially tightly-formed sprays. Horn (CA): This is a slow growing miniature from the late Frank Benardella, which was named after our late ARS President. My plants present beautiful clear medium yellow blooms with a rather unique cup & saucer exhibition form. Disease resistance is very good on its dark, glossy foliage. The plants take a while to establish, but they are worth the patience. Be prepared to do a good deal of disbudding if you want to exhibit individual blooms because these plants put out large sprays. It will definitely be an excellent contender for the miniature spray class and it has won Miniature Queens including a 2023 Mini Queen for Ray & Diane Guillebeau at the Shreveport National (see photo above). Humphrey (OR): Excellent in every way. Mahoney (AZ): Love this yellow rose. It holds its color even in our baking sun. Now that our bush has a couple of years on it, it has stopped wanting to sprawl all over the garden and instead to be a tidier bush. This is a generous bloomer, and if I do some judicious "finger pruning" we get genuinely nice exhibition stems. The form is consistent and has done well for us in shows. If it is conditioned properly, it will also hold its own in arrangements. Incredibly happy with this rose. Martin (CA): Code named BenSeal, this was one of Frank Benardella's last roses. I like yellow a lot, I like form even better, and I have wonderful memories of Frank. All of this means I like this the rose. Be forewarned that it is not in much hurry to grow but it will get there and then get better and then best. Blooms come initially one-to-a-stem

but mature plants produce huge tightly compact sprays. The rose has at least 20 petals of nonfading yellow, holds form well and could well become the best yellow miniature show rose. Honor Roll in the making. Merriam (CA): An excellent yellow exhibition miniature rose. Pinpoint centers, good substance, and a nice bold color. Stem length will improve with time. Monge (CA): Excellent exhibition form. Very stingy with the repeat. 2019 plant perished. Ornelas (CA): We have tried to grow this rose in pots and in the ground and we have trouble getting it to thrive. We love the profound yellow color though and will keep trying. The individual blooms and sprays are gorgeous. **Prabhu** (NC): Excellent bloom with many petals and ability to hold. 50/50 chance of finding exhibition specimens. Does not grow big. Lots of blooms, most without adequate stem and foliage, Worth keeping for the rare occasion when it will produce a specimen worth showing. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): This beautiful medium yellow took three years to get established in our garden. We get lots of sprays with great form on budded plants. Blooms tend to fade a little as they age. Added more last year, as it is worth the wait. Sanford (TX): The spring blooms were a bright yellow. I noticed some fading a bit on the outer petals now in my Texas hot sun and humidity. Plant is growing nicely and should be a keeper. Shimoda (CA): Nice Yellow own root, not growing well due to rabbit issues. Singer (WI): Lovely color, but not much vigor on my bushes, short growth habit. Starner (OH): Yellow blooms with excellent form. Miniature Princess in first year. The bush is small and a slow grower. Mostly sprays on short stems so far this year in the first flush. Requires disbudding early and often for single stem bloom. Stever (NY): Starting to grow up. Form is quite good. Stream (FL): One of the most vibrant yellow blooms but plant continues to be a very slow grower. May have to be grafted on Fortuniana. Disease resistant. Strong (CA): A fitting tribute to our dearly departed Bob. Beautiful form that holds pretty well for exhibition. Slow grower, especially when young. Give it time. Tiffany (CA): I wish for this on fortuniana as it stays very small for me. When I get a bloom, it is bright and happy. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is still showing lots of great exhibition-quality blooms, but I have had a hard time battling powdery mildew and blackspot due to the wetter spring weather. Williams (WA): Solid, vellow color, good sprays, or needs disbudding for single blooms.



'Burning With Passion' Photo by Suzanne Horn

BURNING WITH PASSION (Perfect Moment), rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Horn (CA): Intense, eye-catching blooms are a yellow and orange blend with red edging. It is reminiscent of the hybrid tea 'Perfect Moment' but with more petals (up to 40) and flat bloom form. My plant is budded on fortuniana and is very vigorous. Its semi-glossy, medium green foliage does get a bit of powdery mildew but it is not a major problem with the plant. A plus is that it is thornless. Blooms did not yet present much in the way of exhibition form for more than a year, and so I gave it away to a home gardener who loves the color. Martin (CA): Has the coloration of the hybrid tea Perfect Moment which inspired its first unfortunate name. There are lots of petals, 40 or more, so unlike the hybrid tea of the same name it isn't going to blow after one perfect moment. The petals are, however, short and stubby, and the form somewhat flat so the future of the rose as royalty is in doubt. The plant is vigorous. **Pavlovich** (AZ): The original name fit this rose perfectly. Depending on the moment you see it, the bloom will be different colors. In 70-degree weather, the bloom will be yellow with red edging. As the temperatures hit 100 degrees in the summer, the red edging changes to a tangerine blush with yellow covering the rest of the bloom. The summer blooms remind me of the hybrid tea called Takao which we previously grew that had this unique tangerine blush edging. Burning With Passion has grown into a massive plant since receiving it in January of 2021 and has loads of blooms. For the number of blooms it churns out, it doesn't have many high centered blooms. The color is striking with either color combination. During the summer, we don't fertilize as heavily as we do in the spring or fall. That results in a much higher percentage of exhibition blooms. Shockley (AR): The stunning color combo of bright orange blending into dark pink is the first thing you will notice about this rose. Next to be noticed is the bloom's perfect form on this exhibition rose.



'Candy Sunblaze' aka 'Sunblaze Candy' Photo by Kathy Strong

CANDY SUNBLAZE aka Sunblaze Candy, rb, Sproul, 2019 [Star, Regan, Chamblee's] Helgeson (MN): Sproul's miniature is a prolific bloomer. Pretty! Sproul (CA): A red/pink/white striped miniature shrub type rose with a good spring flush. May be useful as an open bloom entry or as a whole plant entry. Striping is more distinct in cooler weather. Although 'Double Knock Out' is a parent, this one gets blackspot. Strong (CA): Not an exhibition rose, more for landscaping. English rose form. But nice, nevertheless.



'Captivating' Photo by Suzanne Horn

CAPTIVATING (formerly CIRCUS), yb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Slow in growing but vigor and size have picked up. Will continue to evaluate. Clark (CA): Beautiful distinct and brightly contrasted stripes of hot pink and yellow. Many blooms with exhibition form that holds longer than most in my heat. Continues to be my new favorite. Cooney (CA): Great Dave Bang mini. Exhibition form on a vigorous plant that is always in bloom. Mildew free in my garden on the CA coast. Ekuan (CA): My favorite Dave Bang rose and the best rose I've ever grown. The rose is superb in all respects. It is a proven winner in exhibition. On top of it all the rose is completely thornless, even the foliage is without prickles. Would give it a rating of 9.5. My 2 plants are budded. **Horn (CA):** This is a nice true miniature that presents exhibition form on eye-catching striped blooms. The flowers are a creamy yellow with pink and coral-pink streaks, strips and flecks. Its glossy, medium green foliage is disease resistant, and the plant is nearly thornless. My own root plant was a slow grower in its first year but it is now exhibiting much more vigor. This one is definitely a keeper, perhaps my favorite of the Dave Bang roses. Kozemchak (PA): Nice color and good form on a clean third year bush. Moore (NE): Good exhibition form on early blooms a little slow getting started. Ornelas (CA): This Dave Bang rose performs well for us producing single blooms and small sprays of pink, yellow and orange stripes. It is a very good exhibition rose with a spiral form holding its form for a long time. Good disease resistance. Stream (FL): Just starting to grow after 3 years. Quite a showy hot pink and yellow striped bloom so I guess it will stay a few more years. Ware (TX): Another good one. It blooms with regularity and the blooms have good form and consistent color variations even in our 100degree heat.



'Deep Passion' Photo by Dave Bang

DEEP PASSION, dr, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Editor's Note: We have no reports on this rose to date. **Bang (CA):** Dark red blooms have cupped-to-flat bloom form and come in small clusters. This rose is powdery mildew free and also has very good resistance to rust and blackspot.



'Diane Sommers' Queen of Photography, Photo by Bill Kozemchak



'Diane Sommers' Mini Picture Frame, Photo & Shown by Elena Williams

DIANE SOMMERS, mb, Sproul, 2021

Anderson (WI): While I liked the sweet little blooms, keeping it alive was a challenge. I took one home from the show as a gratuity and I also bought one as a gift for a rosarian friend. Within a month, hers died. I was able to winter-over my plant in a larger pot, but it succumbed to cooler outdoor temps this spring. **Bever (CO):** Too soon to tell how well it will perform at a show, but I am in love with the color. Dreyer (KS): What a cutie! Bright and chipper in the garden. Eckley (CO): Planted from Milwaukee Convention. Great single. Should make show table. Fredette (WA): Nice color, good form for a single, fairly clean without any spray. Gordon (CA): My rating of this rose is 8.2. It is winter hardy in N. CA, Tall for a mini. Disease free. Stems are short. Buds open evenly when cut. Striking coloration of bright and pretty pink petals with red eye (darkening to magenta) and abundant flaring golden stamens. Around 10 petals in two rows. Prolific bloomer. I want to try using them for mini arrangements. A keeper. **Hefner (IN):** A happy little plant that requires little attention. Disease free for me. Helgeson (MN): Unique rose great for exhibit, garden or pot. Hering (OH): White blend to pink single blooms with hulthemia red center, low growing, decorative and eye catching. Hogrefe (NE): Nothing special. Kozemchak (PA): Convention rose from the Milwaukee Nationals is short, but growing very well. Catches your attention in the garden. Gorgeous blooms, hope to get some longer stems under them. Myers (NC): Bicolor, single-petal blooms fill the bush. Repeats quickly. Reed (GA): Very hardy rose that was chewed down by deer and came thru a very hard winter. Bush is thriving now and producing very nice, single petaled roses. Won a blue ribbon for us this spring. Reich (TN): Received this rose at the Milwaukee convention and brought it home in my suitcase. In the ground spring 2022 and is a bloom machine. Went thru our December freeze unscathed and is a winner in shows. Roussell (LA): Single pink with a red eye. Very hardy plant and a heavy bloomer. Beautiful. Smith (OH): After two seasons in our garden, the plant has become more vigorous and produces single petalled blooms in abundance. It should show well in the spray category or as a single miniature. Blooms do fade rapidly to lavender. Sommers (WI): Hardy plant, blooms primarily in sprays. Difficult to get to the rose show but those fresh blooms are stunning. Stream (FL): We may have been first to win in a show with a showy spray of this. Reliable and fast blooming. Fast growing and stems can reach 10". No spraying needed. Highly recommend. Swanson (NE): Small single-petaled blooms with a lovely color and eye on opening but fades very fast and petals soon fall. Small bush. Tiffany (CA): Happy little single with a sweet white center. Nice rose. Williams (WA): Low, growing cheerful colors, looks beautiful in a picture frame display.



'Dottie'
Photo by Diane Sommers



'Dottie'

Photo by Suzanne Horn, PSW District King Shown by Bll & Elaine Ornelas

DOTTIE, mb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Cooney (CA): Another Dave Bang mini that shows promise. Unique dark purple coloring. No sign of mildew on a vigorous plant. Ekuan (CA): Unique color and capable of good form. My budded plant has grown well. No mildew or rust. Guillebeau (FL): Purple and white stripes on this new plant. Have seen several at shows and it impressed me enough to get one. Helgeson (MN): Lots of potential – blooms somewhat similar to another favorite, A Night of Magic. Horn

(CA): Blooms are a dark, deep rich blackish purple with white stripes, streaks, flecks and splashes. Roses are definitely a little short on petals, particularly for warm climates. However, they would be great contenders for the open bloom class. That being said, I have seen this rose win miniature Queen at the 2023 Pacific Southwest District Show and also make the Miniature Court at the 2023 National Convention in Shreveport (both shown by Bill & Elaine Ornelas of San Diego, CA). This rose is powdery mildew free and is very vigorous, although it is somewhat slow to rebloom. I believe it is worth keeping for its eye-catching color. **Ornelas (CA):** Another Dave Bang rose with profoundly deep maroon color with speckles of pink and red stripes and speckling. The blooms are fairly small but our plant is young. Good exhibition form. We love that Dave named this one for his Mother! **Shockley (AR):** Described as starting off dark purple almost black in cooler temps, finishing black magic red. The stripes of cream or white add to the interest. Form is adequate to be exhibition. Sommers (WI): One of my new favorites – win with it most times I take it to the show. Deep red blooms (think of Black Jade) with striping. Good form and bright yellow stamens which work in the open bloom class. Does not like to be dry wrapped. So far the plant has been a bit stingy in bloom production but I am sure hoping that changes! Stever (NY): Very colorful open bloom. Drawback is seems slow to repeat. **Tiffany (CA):** Love, love stripes, so this rose has a home. Ware (TX): Brand new bush but first boom has all the promises of exhibition with color that holds well.



'Dreamsicle'
Photo by Dave Bang

DREAMSICLE, ob, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Godfrey (IA): Excellent form on new plant. Mine is vibrant orange red with fewer stripes than HelpMeFind pictures. Martin (CA): An interesting orange and cream striped rose that has a lot of petals and occasional form. We had a striking winning spray two years ago but most blooms had muddled centers. The bush is now making the occasional show-worthy bloom. Shockley (AR): Grown this unique orange and white striped rose for two years and while the blooms are interesting, they have little form. It doesn't take up much room, so I'll keep it for garden visitors.



'Elegance'
Photo by Dave Bang

ELEGANCE, dr, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date. **Bang (CA):** Blooms are dark red with hybrid tea exhibition form. Foliage is semi-glossy and blue-green. Plant can get some powdery mildew.



'Emile Justine'
Photo courtesy of Richard Anthony

EMILE JUSTINE (BENanteater), dp, Benardella, 2019

Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Grew this rose for one season, and the bush produced blooms with generally good form. But it didn't survive our winter/spring and wasn't replaced.



'Eternal Hope' Photo by Suzanne Horn

ETERNAL HOPE, dy, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Becker (FL): loved the non-fading yellow color and substance. Will try to replace it after it died under extreme weather conditions. Boyd (SC): Grows well and doesn't seem to mind the heat. Can have good form and stems for exhibiting. Doesn't tend to throw sprays. Can get blackspot. Chappell (GA): medium yellow with good form on a healthy bush. Will show well as a single bloom or in collections. Dale (GA): Solid yellow, Bang rose that established itself quickly. Good grower and moderate repeat bloomer with one bloom per stem and sprays. Form can be there but fleeting. Deck (AR): Own root plant has upright habit but does not get very tall. I have had blackspot issues with it. Blooms have good form, are bright yellow with a slight red edge in cool weather, but are a little few and far between. It did not like the winter this year and may be on the shovel prune list. Evans (CA): Nice pure, intense yellow with good exhibition form, mostly one bloom per stem. Healthy foliage. Garrett (TN): Nice deep yellow exhibition blooms. Love the name! Hefner (IN): My best yellow miniature. Plant grows well producing well-formed blooms. Can have great sprays. Great color retention. Hering (OH): Deep yellow, doesn't fade, good exhibition form, 30-35 petals. Horn (CA): This rose was an early favorite of mine, since its first blooms presented very good exhibition form and excellent substance. The form is not consistent, however. Its deep yellow color does not fade, and the plant presents good sized sprays, which must be disbudded to achieve individual blooms. Glossy, dark green foliage is proportionate. It can get some powdery mildew, but it is not a major problem. Hope springs eternal that this will be a good show rose. Lane-Piert (CA): Lovely clear yellow, good form and good repeat, disease free and will show. **Martin** (**CA**): Tall grower with abundant sprays and blooms. A true miniature with non-fading yellow but very inconsistent form. The blooms are fairly abundant with good substance and 28-30 velvety petals. The bush is upright with nice proportional medium green foliage. **Rankin & Valentovic** (**WV**): This Dave Bang miniature has deep yellow nonfading blooms with exhibition form. Grows well and produces both singles and sprays, but winter/spring tender in our garden. Worth growing. **Shockley** (**AR**): Bright yellow and it loves to bloom! It sometimes has an exhibition bloom, but its form won't compare to another bright yellow Bang rose, It's Gorgeous. I'll grow both. **Sommers** (**WI**): Two-year plant has a nice selection of bright yellow blooms – love the color! The blooms are many petaled and I haven't seen exhibition quality yet. **Stream** (**FL**): No hope for this guy who just would not grow. Discarded the first year.



'Eureka' Photo by Dave Bang

EUREKA, rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Bush struggled in our heat and humidity and finally died. **Martin (CA):** Low grower that has yet to produce much in the way of a bush or blooms. The blooms display bold wide red and white stripes and look nothing like the floribunda of the same name. There is but a suggestion of form. It is said to be productive of sprays but I have not seen that either. That said, it looks like it is occupying a ground spot that may soon be made available to another tenant.

FIREBALL (See It's A Keeper)



'Flaming Desire'
Photo by Dave Bang

FLAMING DESIRE, red, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Becker (FL): Growth was very slow and form was lacking most of the time. Gave it away. **Dale (GA):** 2nd yr. plant is growing better since it was transplanted. Produces orange/red blooms, mostly singly. Exhibition potential remains to be seen. **Lockhart (KY):** Eye-catching brilliant orange-red color! Very good exhibition form. Good disease resistance, good foliage, lots of sprays. **Prabhu (NC):** Great color and form. Will keep. **Shimoda (CA):** Intense orange red Dave Bang rose is still in a pot and needs to go into the ground. Very healthy and outgrowing pot. Plant is own root. **Stever (NY):** Nothing special. Weak after winter.



'Flaming Hot Cheetos' Photo by Dave Bang

FLAMING HOT CHEETOS, mr, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (**TX**): The name says it all. Bright bloom with form. Blooms plenty and a vigorous bush! **Becker** (**FL**): Another bush that died over the winter. Not sure if I'll replace it. **Deck** (**AR**): I really like the reddish to dark orange color, but the own root plant has not been a strong grower in the 4 years I have had it. The winter took it down to one scrawny cane, so it will probably be eliminated. **Regehr** (**AZ**): Love the name so had to add it to the garden. More of a spawl than upright growth. The color has been more orange than red in AZ but going to continue to hope for great things out of this rose. **Sanford** (**TX**): First year own-root plant. Nice red bloom with darker edges. Bloom has good form on average plant growth. **Ware** (**TX**): Rose is in its second year. It is producing large sprays of bright orange but doesn't appear to have centers that hold for any length of time.



'Francesco' Photo by Richard Anthony

FRANCESCO (BENIndia), m, pb, Benardella, 2019 [K&M]

Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Not one of our favorites. Plant was slow to grow. Form was decent, but after it died, it wasn't replaced. **Shockley** (AR): The vigorous bush produces small blooms with okay form, but the color is not one of my favorites — grey-mauve with pink on the edge of petals. Doubtful it will work in collections. **Strong (CA):** New for me, but I like it alot. Strange brown/ mauve mini with really good form. Better than most in that "odd colors" class.



'Hawaiian Sunset' Photo by Dave Bang

HAWAIIAN SUNSET, yb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

*** We have no reports on this rose to date. **Bang** (**CA**): High-centered exhibition form blooms with pinpoint centers are yellow with coral-red edges. Blooms appear in small clusters. Foliage is semi-glossy and dark green and is disease resistant to powdery mildew, blackspot and rust.



'He Is Risen' Photo by Dave Bang

HE IS RISEN, yb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Boyd (SC): Seems to struggle with the southern heat and blooms are small. Wants to bloom in small sprays. Needs to be sprayed for blackspot. **Bulman (CA):** A nice yellow rose with petit blooms. Long lasting, slow to open clean bush with dainty foliage. Add to your garden. Clark (CA): Good size for a mini, bush is getting larger and producing more. Slightly faded stripes, cute, but opens very fast. Dale (GA): 2nd yr. own root has really put on the growth this year. Slow repeat of very small, yellow blooms striped with orange. Colors are very subtle and not the eye catcher I was hoping for. Can have exhibition form. Will probably be given it away since it has no pizazz. **Ekuan (CA):** Heavy blooming miniature with the most beautiful plant imaginable. The striping is soft in contrast to some of the other Bang miniatures. For me form has not been consistent. Garrett (TN): True mini blooms are a nice yellow and orange blend. However, the color is not as vivid as a lot of striped roses. Godfrey (IA): Plant is vigorous but no blooms at show time. Looks good. Guillebeau (FL): Great colors but couldn't hold its form. Given away. Hefner (IN): Small first year plant with interesting colors. Too early for me to evaluate fairly. Lockhart (KY): Yellow with pink edge and stripes, center dented, opens fast, will only show as a spray good bush with good disease resistant and a little fragrance. Martin (CA): The rose is a very attractive yellow with pinkish stripes on a healthy plant. Initial indications suggest good form and possible appearances on the trophy table. Minott (CA): Pretty rose makes a nice vase of five; can win its class if you catch it at the right moment. In recent cool weather I have had a lot of excellent blooms. **Ornelas** (CA): This rose is a prolific bloomer and produces yellow blooms with orange stripes. The blooms are small for us but it is a miniature. Ours is a very large plant in a 15-gallon pot but is thriving quite well with good disease resistance. Regehr (AZ): This rose is really growing well and is showing lots of small blooms in this terrible heat. In the cooler weather the bush grew really

well and did see some show potential. Not sure if current location can handle the size potential of this rose but definitely one that will be around for a while. Stripes were better in the cooler temps. **Russell (CA):** Second growing season for this plant. Color and shape seem to last decent amount of time. Have not shown this one as of yet. another growing season should give better idea of how it will do in the future. **Shockley (AR):** A good-looking bush with small striped blooms of pale yellow and pink grows well and blooms often. Due to the hot weather I'm reluctant to say that it isn't exhibition quality. I'll pass judgment next year. **Strong (CA):** So far, so good. Slower grower than many Dave Bang's however. And you can distinguish it from the others because there is no pink in the striping. **Van Boxtel (CA):** Similar to Strawberry Kisses, a lot of members in my community have this rose and show it. This creates a problem when multiple people bring this rose in the same miniature category and judges have to choose which of the many He is Risen are best. It's a great rose for form and color, and is very disease resistant.



'Hey Hottie' Photo by Bob Martin

HEY HOTTIE, red-yellow blend, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Fulgham (TX): Dave Bang tells me that what I have is another unnamed seedling of his and not Hey Hottie which is what I thought I bought at K&M last summer. We have it in a special spot because it does not go with anything else. It has done well even in a challenging location. Wild color - every flower is different. Martin (CA): The boldly colored blooms are a stunning mixture of rich red with orange stripes and flecks. Initial blooms of 26 petals had split centers and a suggestion of future exhibition form. If so, the color will attract the judge's eye. Speaking of eye, I had thought that the term "hottie" has gone the way of the wolf whistle. Swanson (NE): Vigorous, bloom is lovely red and yellow stripe but never has form. Tiffany (CA): Cheetos-bright orange with no stripes. I like it.



'Hot 'N' Zesty' Photo by Suzanne Horn

HOT 'N' ZESTY, ob, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): Not bad. Loses color and size in the heat and opens too quickly. Nice in the cooler weather but there are better striped roses from Dave Bang. Second one is not a strong grower. I like the flashy color and its form. **Hefner (IN):** Somewhat of a Swirly Pop look-a-like. More intense darker coloration than Swirly Pop. Hering (OH): Red blend/orange blend, striped, good centers, should show. Horn (CA): Salmon pink blooms have yellow and orange streaks, stripes and flecks and present exhibition form. It has semi-glossy dark green foliage that has very good disease resistance. It should exhibit well. Martin (CA): Initial blooms are very similar to 'Swirly Pop' with similar good exhibition form. Both are salmon-pink with creamy orange stripes, with Zesty showing more pink and Pop more creamy orange. Zesty is a taller growing plant. This may be another good one. Mayhew (PA): A beautiful striped orange blend bloom. Has potential for an exhibition entry. Second-year plant seems to be relatively disease free in a no spray garden. Has not rebloomed much since I planted it in the ground. Maybe it is trying to get established in the ground or maybe it prefers to grow in a pot as some roses do, like Miss Mabel. Moore (NE): First Blooms are of good exhibition form, so far the stems have been short. Regehr (AZ): Love the name so added it to my shopping list. Now I am really loving the colors and form potential. In a pot but will be in the ground in the fall due to the color and potential to exhibit. Shockley (AR): Good form, wild color blending and a nice spiral center make this mini an exhibition contender. Pink, orange, and yellow stripes and streaks make you look twice to be sure you saw it correctly. Good single blooms and striking sprays. **Stever (NY):** Vigorous and colorful Is winter hardy. Stream (FL): First plant died. Swanson (NE): Vigorous, nice colors, has form, you will be able to show and win with it. Van Boxtel (CA): This is a little striped miniature similar to Swizzle and Surprise. The rose bush itself is small in stature and mine has only gotten about 12" wide by 16" tall. It is a great exhibition rose, but a bit of a flat or dipping center.



'Hours Change'
Photo by Richard Anthony

HOURS CHANGE (Sport of Violet Hour), mr, Anthony, 2019

Becker (FL): Very mannerly and full bush loaded with flowers. The single blooms are a beautiful pinkish red with yellow eye. Puts out loads of sprays for a great garden display. May blow too quickly to show.



'It's A Keeper' Photo by Dave Bang

Bagley (**TX**): I liked this rose last year but it has sulked this year. Not a lot of new growth. **Fulgham** (**TX**): This was sold to me as 'Hey Hottie' but has turned out to be 'It's A Keeper' instead. Every bloom is different with wide variations in colors as well as size of bloom and stripe formation. I can't imagine how judges could ascertain its identity. We grow it in a special pot and place as an accent since it doesn't really go with anything else. No sprays. It is very healthy and we like it. **Garrett** (**TN**): Fairly vigorous bush with vivid coloration. It will show. **Lockhart** (**KY**): Very pretty red blend with good exhibition form. I think it will show well. Disease resistant with good foliage. **Martin** (**CA**): A fire-engine red miniature with medium yellow large stripes that show occasional exhibition form. With enough petals with adequate substance to hold the form, it appears promising for the show table. **Ornelas** (**CA**): Pretty blooms of red with yellow striping. **Regehr** (**AZ**): Loved it for the contrasting stripes but think I put in the wrong location. Has not gained much in size in the past year and stingy to bloom. The colors may force me to relocate to a better location. Have to see what it does in the fall. **Swanson** (**NE**): Wasn't - never had vigor and died over the winter.



'Josh's Pink' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

JOSH'S PINK, mp, Alonso, 2021

Guillebeau (**FL**): Medium pink sport of Josh Alonso with all of the good qualities of 'Bee's Knees'. Form is exactly like the other Bee's Knees sports. Strongly suggest getting it if you can find it.



'Kiss Me Baby' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

KISS ME BABY, dp, Guillebeau, 2021 [K&M]

Guillebeau (**FL**): Dark pink with red edging and high-centered form. Long stems and attractive foliage. Won the National Hybridizer's Trophy this year. Was stolen off the awards table. Fairhope x Mr. Lenard.



'Little Gemstone'
Photo by Kathy Monge

LITTLE GEMSTONE, pb, Bang, 2021 [K&M]

Martin (CA): The initial blooms on a new plant are small and an ivory white with hints of form. Bush is growing well. Monge (CA): Disappointing so far as all the flowers have been a cream color with minute amount of the pink. Prone to mildew. Stever (NY): Cute albeit small blooms. Has very nice sprays. Swanson (NE): Lovely bloom with good form, plant lacks vigor and is tiny and dying despite my efforts. Strong (CA): Has difficulty opening here. Blooms tend to go brown before they open. The one time a bloom got all the way open, I did see some light pink striping, so I think maybe with age and more roots, this will improve. I hope so. Taube (TN): This little rose blooms and blooms. But it needs some serious disbudding!!! It tends to bloom in clusters but the blooms are so close together that they are very crowded. So far stems have been VERY short for me (second year plant).



'Love And Passion' Photo by Dave Bang

LOVE AND PASSION, rb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): It's been a slow grower for me, but I am not giving up on it. The one or two blooms I've seen are nice and have potential. Deck (AR): Seems to be a little ground hugger that almost did not make it through a winter with up and down temperatures, but it is trying to recover. I almost shovel pruned because the form is not all that great and I don't like to bend over too far to see it. Garrett (TN): Deep red blooms have a lighter striping. However, the striping is not as prominent as on other varieties. Doesn't bloom enough for us to tell about exhibition potential. Ornelas (CA): This is another very dark reddish-purple miniature with dark red striping and we love the color. Blooms singly and in small sprays. Regehr (AZ): Been ground for a full year and not much size. Also, not a hefty bloomer. Love the dark stripes so going to continue to monitor but only for one more year. Tiffany (CA): Grows next to Strawberry Kisses and they are very similar to me. Love them both.



'Midnight Fire' Photo Courtesy of Weeks Roses

MIDNIGHT FIRE, mb, Bedard, 2021 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Abshire (**LA**): Really like this compact bush with nice, decorative form blooms. Always in bloom. **Hering** (**OH**): Another with unusual great color – mauve to orange – like a fire, decorative, 2023 AOE winner. **Trimble** (**CA**): New plant has smoky orange-red blooms with decent stems and vigor. Very floriferous. It appears to have a sunken center, but hopefully form will improve. I will keep it for a while due to its disease resistance.



'Milwaukee Sunrise' Photo by Elena Williams

MILWAUKEE SUNRISE, ob, Sproul, 2021

Editor's Note: This was one of the two convention roses given out at the 2021 ARS National Convention in Milwaukee. **Evans (Livermore, CA):** A very nice orange-blend mini received at the 2021 ARS convention as my free rose. Very floriferous with sprays and solitary blooms. Good exhibition form, and disease free. Fast repeat. Definitely a keeper. Apparently was hybridized by Jim Sproul and hopefully he will register it soon. **Smith (OH):** After two seasons, the orange blooms are attractive but not high centered. The plant is not vigorous. I will give it one more year before I give it away.



'My First Crush' Photo by Dave Bang

MY FIRST CRUSH, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): First year bush with no blooms so far. Boyd (SC): Medium tall grower with good disease resistance. Exhibition form but not a lot of sprays. Cavanaugh (OR) The canes on my first-year plants were so weak they mostly laid on the ground. In their second season they are growing upright. The bi-color blooms are attractive with nice centers, but they are flat and the outer petals are ruffled. The medium-green, waxy foliage is very large and the distance between leaf axils is usually too great. Chappell (GA): Will be a favorite of growers and judges with its great form and yellow center mixed with coral on petal edges. Lots of blooms that have good size. Exceptional color and balance. Guillebeau (FL): Red blend with good but fleeting form. Hefner (IN): Blooms fail to have a center for me, second year. Probably will get a new home next year. Lockhart (KY): Light pink and yellow blend. Some single blooms have form, good disease resistant and nice foliage. Martin (CA): Initial blooms on a new plant show a true miniature, peach with red edges, that opens to high centered classic exhibition form. The 26 petals are tightly wrapped suggesting that the form will hold. Not my first crush but I am sweet on this one. Regehr (AZ): I am liking this rose a lot. First year plant but this spring definitely showing great color and

form potential. Excited to see what fall brings and potential to show. **Shockley (AR):** It's a pretty plant that produces nice blooms. Form is fleeting. **Stream (FL):** New plant has outgrown its 7-gallon pot. Love the color and form plus its pest resistance. A keeper for now. **Van Vlack, (AZ):** First blooms were well-formed with great color, but like Sacrificial Love, it has been crushed. **Willrich (WA)** Nice sprays that can be at times large and also will produce single exhibition blooms. Also a contender for floating rose. Color stable with no noticed disease. I like the color combination on this one. This one's height is about 30". Would work in the challenge classes. **Wright (AR):** Love the shades of pink, white and hot pink on this rose. Bush has grown well and blooms freely. Good for the garden and may show.



'My First Love' Photo by Dave Bang

MY FIRST LOVE, mr, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Dreyer (IA): Holds both color and form. Kozemchak (PA): My favorite color combo, red with white reverse. second year plant is gaining some size. Hopeful it will provide something to show. Prabhu (NC): Strong grower. Good blooms with form but size is a bit small for exhibiting. Not sure if I will keep. Regehr (AZ): Have 2 of these because I love the contrasting colors. Cut several blooms for bouquets to take church. Real eye catcher! Blooms are smaller than Michael, but bush size is much better. Will continue watch this rose this year. Stever (NY): After a few years this in getting some vigor and dies have attractive sprays. The booms tend to turn brownish. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is easy to grow, but it doesn't show well. I think it's because the bloom fades to a faded russet color as it opens, and the rose shows better when it's darker red (early in the bloom phase). I probably wouldn't recommend this rose. There are better roses that are similar. Van Lenten (SC): looks very similar to 'Michael'. Small blooms have show form but the bush is small with slow repeat bloom. Ware (TX): A keeper so far for me. The buds are tight with good form and often the plant produces small tight sprays. It has not been a big bloomer yet. It keeps its color well.



'Patsy Gerling Cunningham' Photo by Andy Vanable

PATSY GERLING CUNNINGHAM, w, Vanable, 2019

Nye (RI): Fantastic decorative mini with so many blooms. Pure White. Great for arrangements! Grows into a BIG bush although only a couple of feet tall.



'Peachy Bear'
Photo courtesy of HelpMeFind.com

PEACHY BEAR, ab, Leong, 2019 [Burling]

Eckley (CO): Ruffled many petaled blooms. Blue ribbon on June 2023 court.



'Peachy Dreams' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

PEACHY DREAMS, pb, Guillebeau, 2021

Guillebeau (FL): White with peach blush. Small bloom with good form and foliage and long stems. Parentage: The Lighthouse x Shameless.

PERFECT MOMENT (see Burning With Passion)



'Perfectly Pauline' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

PERFECTLY PAULINE, ly, Guillebeau, 2021

Guillebeau (**FL**): Light yellow with great, high-centered form, good foliage and long stems. Named for Pauline Martin a wonderful UK friend and exhibitor. Parentage: The Lighthouse x Cooper.



'Petite Knock Out' Photo courtesy of Jung Seed Company

PETITE KNOCK OUT, mr, Meilland, 2021 [Star]

Anderson (WI): I have four Petite Knock Out in containers and 1 tree rose in a container. It starts out slowly and takes off once the temperatures go up and there is sunlight and water. Its great in containers or for edging. It is very floriferous with red blooms that have round-edged petals, which do not have a defined center per se. However, this plant is a prolific bloomer and great for use as an accent plant to give color and constant bloom. No fragrance, very clean and disease resistant, has dark green, glossy leaves and will hold the bloom until you literally cut it off. It will rebloom if you cut off the darkened edged bloom (older blooms) right under the receptacle above the peduncle. This is my second season, having over-wintered four of them, and they did fine. Flynn (LA): A novelty. Disease resistant plant but no exhibition blooms. Garrett (TN): Bought to evaluate its disease resistance. So far haven't seen anything resembling an exhibition bloom. Hering (OH): Medium red petite semi-double blooms on a petite compact bush. It is disease resistant and well named. Hext (KY): 2nd year growing in pots by garage door, lots of blooms, no blackspot, but size has not increased from last year. Nielsen (CO): Good bloom cycle. Steady growth. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): A miniature version of Knockouts with red blooms. The bushes grow well, are disease resistant and are winter hardy in our area. A good garden rose rather

than an exhibition variety. **Reich (TN):** Bought last year as filler and was very attractive little plant with many blooms. Our winter freeze seems to have damaged it badly and it is now not really growing. No exhibition potential at its best. **Shockley (AR):** No, it won't show but it is cute in a blue glazed pot. **Strong (CA):** Purely a landscape rose for adding a pop of red close to the ground. **Wilkinson (GA):** Not much of an exhibition rose except in open bloom class. Great bush for the garden and has perfect foliage. **Williams (WA):** Better this year than last, nice garden rose.



'Petite Peach'
Photo by Teresa Byington

PETITE PEACH, ab, Byington, 2024 [High Country Roses]

Hering (OH): 2024 AOE winner, orange-pink, decorative with about 50 petals, disease resistant. High Country Roses: Petite Peach is a sport of the renowned landscape rose Petite Pink and discovered by Teresa Byington. ARS Website Notes: The official public announcement of the Award of Excellence winner(s) is made each year in The American Rose and at the awards banquet of the ARS National Rose Show and Conference. After two years of evaluation one Award of Excellence winner has been selected. The 2024 AOE winner is 'Petite Peach^{TM'} is an orange-pink miniature sport discovered by Teresa Byington and propagated and entered in the no spray division of the AOE Trials. Teresa discovered this orange-pink to apricot miniature sport of 'Petite Pink^{TM'}, which was hybridized by David Zlesak. It has decorative form with about 50 petals which fade to white with age and is borne one to a stem and in clusters but with no appreciable fragrance. The low growing rounded plant is very floriferous, "the showplace of a garden", and quite disease resistant. It will be introduced by High Country Roses and is an excellent garden rose (photo courtesy Teresa Byington).



'Powder Keg' Photo by Suzanne Horn

POWDER KEG (DB 13), m, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Horn (CA): Deep rich dark purple blooms have white and sometimes coral pink streaks, stripes, splashes and flecks. No two blooms are alike. The roses have good exhibition form but my budded plant has been slow to rebloom. The dark purple shows up best in partial shade, while hotter temperatures produce more of a dark red hue on the blooms. Glossy medium green foliage is disease resistant and the plant is nearly thornless. **Shimoda (CA):** Dave Bang rose. Been growing in the ground beginning of the year and doing very well. Lots of growth and blooms. Own root plant.



'Pure Joy' Photo by Dave Bang

PURE JOY, dp, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Becker (FL): In cooler weather the colors were interesting but became muddled in our heat. Form was rarely exhibition so I gave it away. Cooney (CA): Mixed thoughts about this David Bang mini. It is deep pink, yellow reverse, yellow center and blooms in clusters. Exhibition form is inconsistent. When good it is very good. Will need lots of disbudding to show other than sprays. **Dale (GA):** Pure misery for me. Poor growth and very disease prone. Dug it up after the first year. Horn (CA): Deep pink blooms have a yellow reverse and a yellow center. Flowers are on the small miniature size with good form. The plant is also disease resistant. My own root plant was slow to develop but put on vigor by the end of its first year. It is somewhat lacking in form, and I don't think it's going to give 'Joy' a run for its money. Kozemchak (PA): Beautiful color, deep pink with yellow reverse and good form on a clean bush. Seems to produce nice sprays also. Great garden color! Lane-Piert (CA): An amazing rose for color, substance and continual bloom. A pink/yellow combination that can be confusing sometimes. Completely disease free and will show. **Lockhart (KY):** Dark pink with yellow reverse has good show form and is disease resistant. Will show mostly as a spray. Monge (CA): Good color combo and longevity with the flowers. I have seen very few blooms with exhibition form. They usually bloom in clusters with short stems. Mine is own root and would benefit from fortuniana. Prabhu (NC): I have seen some good blooms but not in my garden. Will continue to watch. Regehr (AZ) Great form on this young plant. I really have high hopes for potential of this plant. Shimoda (CA): Dave Bang rose. Grown from a cutting, very small and has not bloomed. Still hoping. Stever (NY): Good vigor and a hot pink in the right light, form is good. Stream (FL): Loved this little rose but it did not grow well or make it thru an unusually hard winter. Will not replace. Willrich (WA) A nice mini that will show both as a single with disbudding and in sprays. Nice form and stable color. Should also work in the challenge classes. Has some susceptibility to blackspot. Sprays with nice conformation. Single blooms will hold well. Height about 30".



'Quinn Elise' Photo by Bob Martin

QUINN ELISE (sport of Hello Gorgeous!), my, Martin, 2022 [K&M]

Bulman (CA): Bought this one from Jim Mills for my granddaughter Elise. Large fast-growing plant with many blooms; however, the blooms are not show quality. Actually, it is a great plant to provide for taking in the house arrangements, so I will have to keep it. **Huff (CA)** Small blooms. Waiting to see if it will show. **Martin (CA):** This is my yellow sport of Hello Gorgeous! that has proved reasonably stable. The yellow dominates the orange of Hello Gorgeous! and depending on sunlight often replaces it.



'Rachel Marie' Photo by Jim Hering

RACHEL MARIE, rb, Anthony, 2019

Hering (OH): 2021 AOE winner, red blend with good but not consistent exhibition form.



'Shanay' Miniature King Photo & shown by Cindy Dale



'Shanay' Mniature Queen Photo & Shown by Elena Williams

SHANAY, yb, Fred Wright, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): New for me this year. Small blooms with lower petal count. It is currently blooming as a single. Could be the TX heat. Borrmann (PA): Lovely coloring. Not a great grower but the blooms catch your eye. Will continue to evaluate. Boyd (SC): Excellent exhibition form blooms with good repeat. Good grower that can get fairly tall and has good stems. Bloom refrigerates well for about four days. Can be prone to blackspot. Cavanaugh (OR) I've managed to kill all but one of the plants I have received, and the survivor is very small. The few flowers I have seen have been very good and I will keep trying to grow it. Dale (GA): 4th yr. grafted rose is growing slowly. Blooms have good form and have won for me. They are a beautiful orange sherbet color but are sparse. Garrett (TN): Bush is not very vigorous, but has beautiful exhibition form blooms. Color is a vibrant orange-yellow. Hefner (IN): This will win many shows. Nearly all blooms are show quality. Refreshing blending of pink/ yellow coloration. One of the best new varieties. Singer (WI): Smashing color with exceptional show form. A winner, but wish plants were more vigorous. Sommers (WI): High centered exhibition blooms but so far plant has not grown much and limited flower production. Williams (WA): The best! Good color, form and substance. Won queen this year, and won picture frame trophy in another show.



Singer New Miniature Introduction Photo by Steve Singer

SINGER NEW MINIATURE INTRODUCTION, Singer, 2024 [Wisc]

Singer (WI): Cross of Olivia Rose x Swing Time. Beautiful show form. High centered blooms. Introduction pending from Wisconsin Roses in 2024.



'Southern Girl' Photo by Ray Guillebeau

SOUTHERN GIRL, op, Guillebeau, Ray, 2020 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): I like the color of this bloom. A tall bush with decent disease resistance and should show. Guillebeau (FL): High-centered, coral blooms on long stems with matte green leaves. Patience is required when grooming. At first it may not appear to have good form but then the exhibition form is revealed. Parentage: Tammy Clemons x Fairhope. Lockhart (KY): Has good exhibition form, grows tall for a mini, disease resistant. I have not won with it yet. Has lots of single blooms. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): Third year plants are growing well and producing lot of sprays. The orange pink blooms have hybrid tea form but exhibition form isn't consistent. Russell (CA): Blooms continuous and blooms last a good long time. But does not seem to do well in any shows. The shape is a little different than most minis and the center not as pronounced as some of the more popular entries. Sanford (TX): Love the color and form. Own root plant in fourth year. It was slow to establish but the blooms are nice. It's a keeper. Shockley (AR): The tall narrow bush produces light peachy pink blooms with perfect form. It will show. Small (FL): 2nd yr. plant is growing well and putting out tall canes. A few blooms night be competitive but they are not common. Most blooms have imperfect centers or some petal fault. Disease free with spraying. Stream (FL): Own root rose took forever to grow. It struggled a few years before I gave up on it. The few blooms we did see had very good form and we loved the soft pink color. No disease issues. Willrich (WA) Will be used in both single and spray categories with nice tight sprays and beautiful color stable exhibition blooms. No disease observed. Will do well on the show table. Height is about 42".



'Summer Splash' Mini Princess - Photo by Bob Martin

SUMMER SPLASH (DB 7), yb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Clark (CA): Orange and yellow stripe that mirrors Twist 'n' Shout. Somewhat taller growth and setting a few more single blooms, but hard to see much difference between the two at the moment. Opens fast and color stripe fades fairly quickly in open blooms. Dreyer (KS): Stripes seem to fade out...could use in arrangements. Garrett (TN): Orange and yellow striped blooms are nice, but not sure about exhibition potential. Martin (CA): A very attractive orangish pink on lemon yellow stripe with good substance and perhaps 19 petals. It is very difficult to differentiate this from Swirly Pop as they have similar colors and this has the same good form. It could use I suppose a few more petals. The bush is modest in size and could be more productive. Merriam (CA): A beautiful yellow blend miniature rose. The eye-catching blooms are light yellow with orange stripes. Good form and unique color combination. Van Boxtel (CA): This rose is new to my garden, and it reminds me a lot of 'He Is Risen'. Sometimes I have too many rose entries in this color category, but Summer Splash is usually the one that I enter.

SUNBLAZE CANDY - SEE CANDY SUNBLAZE



'Sunblaze Dragon Fruit' Photo courtesy of Star Roses

SUNBLAZE DRAGON FRUIT, dp, Meilland, 2024 [Star]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Star Roses: Sunblaze® Dragon Fruit is covered with deep pink flowers that make a bold statement. Try this extremely disease resistant variety in containers to bring color to the patio!



'Sweet Cassandra' Photo by Junie Burns

SWEET CASSANDRA, pb, Burns, 2019

Becker (**FL**): Still a contender for the best mini single-petaled rose. Very attractive blooms have pinkish red petals with a white eye. Great for garden too.



'Sweet Tweet' Photo by Rich Baer

SWEET TWEET, ob, Konsmo, 2019

Lind (WA): From 2020: One plant – second year. This is an excellent show rose that has a Queen to it's credit in a Portland Rose Show. The blooms and foliage are in excellent proportion and definitely the right size for a miniature. The blooms are (or can be) perfect in form and last very well. The plant is productive and about 36" tall with excellent foliage.



'Swirly Pop' aka 'SwirlyPop' Photo by Paris Merriam

SWIRLY POP (aka SWIRLYPOP), vb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bagley (TX): The best striped rose that I have from Dave Bang. I would grow this one and forget all the yellow based stripes from Bang because it has it all - form, color, vigor and disease resistance. Cooney (CA): Not sure about this Dave Bang mini yet. Red, yellow stripes are attractive but form is fleeting. Clean plant on CA coast. Dale (GA): 3rd year plant is growing well and foliage has finally filled in some. Dramatic yellow and orange blooms are few and far between but have exhibition form and won a Queen for me this spring. Terribly blackspot prone despite regular spraying. Deck (AR): Own root plant sprawls and does not get very tall. Blooms all have perfect form but the stems are not always long enough. A grafted plant would probably improve that situation. Drever (KS): She can show and make it to the head table...a standout. Ekuan (CA): A superb exhibition rose on an attractive mildew resistant plant. Frequent candidate for miniature royalty. Fulgham (TX): This is very tall for a mini, and has upright growth. It has abundant bloom and laughed in the face of our Christmas freeze, which had been an issue for some in our garden. The form is great and so is the stem and foliage. The flowers have outstanding color and substance. I have not seen usable sprays but perhaps I haven't looked at the right time. Garrett (TN): One of the best striped roses for the garden and shows table. The blooms have great coloration. Plant produces lot of blooms. Guillebeau (FL): Very good exhibition rose. Long stems with consistent form. One of Dave's best. Hefner (IN): Along with Joy and Renegade this one is in my top three favorites. Great garden variety as well. **Helgeson (MN):** Bold color – yellow with red stripes. Healthy plant. **Hext (KY):** 2nd year in pot, sturdy stems, exhibition blooms, and vibrant stripes. **Hicks (AR):** This is the first year for Swirly Pop in my garden, but I am excited about what I have

observed so far. Held up on sturdy stems, Swirly Pop has delightful orange, pinky red and yellow miniature high centered blooms that really get your attention. The plant has demonstrated excellent disease resistance thus far. Horn (CA): This is probably the best known of the Dave Bang miniatures. Well-formed blooms with good substance are yellow with orange-red streaks, stripes and flecks. It could use another row of petals, but if you catch it just right, it will win. This rose has already won a number of Miniature Queens in the Pacific Southwest District. My two own root plants have become very vigorous in their second year. This rose seems to be worth waiting for. Kozemchak (PA): Another favorite among the new Bang striped roses this year in our garden. Beautiful color and good form. Martin (CA): Perhaps the best of Bang's miniatures, this one grows well with striking color of dark yellow with orangey red stripes. The swirly blooms show good form and excellent substance. It rewarded us with a miniature Queen at the Pacific Southwest District show. Merriam (CA): I just received this miniature rose from K&M Nursery rooted on fortuniana this spring, so it's too early to tell. But Suzanne Horn recommended that I get this rose last year, and Bob Martin won a PSWD Convention Mini Queen with it in 2021. Minott (CA): A big and versatile winner which always grabs attention. It's an odd one because in the warm weather the center sinks before it rises to best form. In the cooler weather, though the sprays are awesome and hard to beat. Monge (CA): Love this rose. Constant long-lived blooms mostly one per stem. Many have exhibition form and has done well in the local shows. It does mildew. **Ornelas (CA):** Another one of Dave Bang's beautiful striped roses of yellow with orange stripes. Very often wins at rose shows. It holds it form quite a long time. Pavlovich (AZ): A unique color combination of yellow and light magenta, this striped rose can be perfect with the right climate. The late Bob Martin won Queen of Show with it at a national if my memory is correct. In our hot climate of Tucson, Ariz., the ideal colors of this striped rose don't show except in early April and November. Regehr (AZ): What more can be said about this one? Outstanding! There is a reason so many people are growing and showing this rose. Reynolds (CA): Good show form nicely fairly even variegation. See no disease here in the desert. Shockley (AR): Such a fun rose; every garden needs a Swirly Pop even if they don't exhibit! Good form. Smith (OH): Swirly Pop is an excellent grower which produces numerous blooms and repeats well. The bicolor flowers are typically well centered, large and uniform. It is an excellent show rose which has won in several shows including king at the ARS National Rose Show in Wisconsin. Sommers (WI): Striking striped blooms with some showing exhibition form. Wish it had a few more petals as it seems to open quickly. Strong (CA): This is another of Dave Bang's yellow/pink stripes that I think may have gotten mixed up somewhere along the line. Mine is indistinguishable from my copy of my plant labeled Surprise. Whoever she is, I like her. **Tiffany** (**CA**): New for me, only a few blooms but the name makes me want to taste the roses especially on a hot day!



'Swizzle' Photo by Suzanne Horn



'Swizzle' in 2023 National Ralph Moore Winning Entry Photo by Suzanne Horn, Shown by Ray & Diane Guillebeau

SWIZZLE, yb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Bowen (LA): Yellow and pink stripes with good form. New plant growing well, Gets some blackspot. Chappell (GA): From the Dave Bang striped rose collection, Butter yellow with pink streaks. Good form and provides sprays and single blooms. Compact bush with abundant blooms. Cooney (CA): Another Dave Bang Striped mini. Deep pink, yellow reverse, yellow center. Excellent form, should show well. Editor's Note: Ray & Diane Guillebeau had it in their winning Ralph Moore entry at the Shreveport National (see photo-fourth rose from the left). **Deck (AR):** Own root plant is viruses so maybe that affects its growth. It sprawls like 'Swirly Pop', but does not get that tall. In hot weather the color is almost the same as 'Swirly Pop'. Dreyer (IA): While her color isn't as dramatic, I like her a lot...nice form and likes to bloom for us. Garrett (TN): Another nice pinkish yellow striped rose, but not as good as 'Swirly Pop'. Guillebeau (FL): Just as good as Swirly Pop but with different shades of pink and yellow. Worth growing. Hefner (IN): Somewhat of a bulky growing plant, and however the well-formed blooms are a nice addition to the miniature rose class. Hext (KY): Small blooms with good form, 2 years in pot, colors change with rise in temperatures, gets some blackspot on 14-day spray program, more blooms this second year. Horn (CA): This striped miniature is a blend of yellow and coral pink. It is sometimes yellow with coral pink stripes and other times is coral pink with yellow stripes. My plant was not overly vigorous in its first year but it seems to be picking up vigor in the second year. The blooms have good form and the plant throws out large sprays with ease. Its semi-glossy medium green foliage does get some powdery mildew, but it's not a large problem. Rebloom factor is good and the plant is almost thornless. This rose is definitely a keeper. Kozemchak (PA): Nice color and sprays and decent form on this second-year bush. Martin (CA): Color is variable depending on weather. In heat I am seeing a coral pink with creamy yellow stripes. In cooler weather the coral turns more to orange and the stripes are not as evident, The plant in its third year is low growing and not much productive. Blooms, however, are of consistent good form making up somewhat for that. Moore (NE): Excellent exhibition form. Sprays and single stems a good number of blooms for a young plant. Again, stems are generally on the short side. Striking color nonfading and holds form. Prabhu (NC): Slow grower but produces good exhibition blooms. Reynolds (CA): Good form nice even striping. Russell (CA): Second season in our garden, shape and color stay consistent, and bloom lasts with good shaped center. We have done quite well with entries with these blooms. Kristine used it in two of her arrangements this year and did very well. Stever (NY): Still waiting to be impressed. Color seems to fade quick. Strong (CA): I have this one, and I like it, and I CAN distinguish it from the other pink/ yellow striped Dave Bangers. The key fact on this one is that it has ZERO (count em, none) thorns. Van Boxtel (CA): I ordered a rose named Surprise, and they shipped out Swizzle. I learned that it is Swizzle after some research and comparison with other growers. They both look very similar. Swizzle is thornless, and the blooms are near-perfect form with a great placing for shows. It has a little more flat of a center, but still shows well. The roses stay for a long time, and don't mind partial midday shade. This rose does well on the coast, and has very little disease issues. Van Vlack, (AZ): Fizzled, despite great exhibition form and color. Ware (TX): is still not producing a lot of blooms like it did its first year. Will try one more year. Wickert (OH): I've only had this rose in the ground for 10 months, but it has performed well so far. The centers are good and I like the contrast of the pink striping on the yellow petals. The centers have been pretty tight so far and the foliage has been pretty good, although it was the one of the least humid springs we've had in NE Ohio.



'The Parker Rose' Photo by Jim Sproul

THE PARKER ROSE, ob, Sproul, 2019 (Sproul) (Mini Climber)

Editor's Note: We have no reports on this rose to date. I am therefore sharing a few observations from the hybridizer. **Sproul (CA):** A shorter miniature climber. Blooms are single to semi-double, having bright orange coloring with a yellow center that highlights the stamens. Disease resistance is very good. Its main drawback is that it sets hips with every bloom and must be disbudded to keep flowering. *** He also noted that it can be grown as a shrub or trained as a climber, and that it is heat tolerant and disease resistant to blackspot and mildew.



'Tangerine Spritzzz!' aka 'Tangerine Sprite' Photo by Kathy Strong

TANGERINE SPRITZZZ! (aka TANGERINE SPRITE), ob, Singer, 2019 [K&M]

Strong (CA): I love hand painted roses, and I love this one. Very unique coloration. (K&M has it listed incorrectly as "Tangerine Sprite").



'Twist N Shout' Photo by Dave Bang

TWIST N SHOUT, vb, Bang, 2019 [K&M]

Fredette (WA): Nice color, excellent form, slight mildew issue without any spray. Garrett (TN): Vigorous plant has peachy yellow and pink striped blooms. Good grower that will show. Hefner (IN): A vigorous plant producing many single blooms and sprays. Hering (OH): Yellow blend with pink stripes, good but not great exhibition form. Kozemchak (PA): Yellow more dominant in this one than Swirly Pop, with not as much pink stripes. Good form, should show. This is the only one of my Bang mini & minifloras that has survived to the third year. Lockhart (KY): Yellow with stripes, has good exhibition form, mostly sprays. I have won best spray with it. It has good foliage and disease resistance. Very nice rose. Martin (CA): A tall bush off to a slow start but now growing well. It does seem more intent on growing stems and foliage than blooms. The occasional blooms are a light yellow with orange stripes and pretty good form, very difficult to distinguish from Swirly Pop but for the growth habit and the name sign. Strong (CA): This Dave Bang rose has pink/yellow stripes and is virtually indistinguishable from the other Dave Bang pink/yellow stripes. I like all of them, but it's hard to tell them apart, and one cannot really fault the grower for most probably getting them mixed up in the greenhouse. They are all very similar.



'Unfailing Love' Photo by Suzanne Horn



'Unfailing Love' Miniature Queen Shown by Frank & Rita Van Lenten, Photo by Cindy Dale

UNFAILING LOVE, m, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Bulman (CA): A plant from Bob Martin's garden that took a little time to establish after the transplant. I can see why it is popular with its many red striped blooms and sprays. I may have to move it again due to its vigor and size. Pretty much care free and should win on the table. Cooney (CA): Another excellent Dave Bang mini with red and white stripes with a white reverse. Exhibition form. Continuous bloom. Looks a lot like Strawberry Kisses. Ekuan (CA): Brilliantly colored striped blooms with generally good form. Healthy plant with large foliage. Could use a few more blooms. **Hefner (IN):** New young plant that needs more maturing for fair evaluation. Interesting maroon/white stripe. **Hodgins (TX):** This variety is listed as mauve in color in the ARS Selecting Roses handbook. It is actually red with a white stripe. High centers and great form. Nice deep green foliage with healthy substantial stems. Horn (CA): Purple to scarlet blooms have white streaks, flecks and stripes and present good exhibition form. The blooms could use another row of petals, so you have to catch them just right. My own root plants are very vigorous and are growing fast. It has semi-glossy medium green foliage. It is advertised as being disease resistant, but don't you believe it. The plant will definitely get powdery mildew, but I am prepared to spray. It has already made the trophy table for me, but show quality blooms are few and far between due to its low petal count. It should do well in cool climates. Lockhart (KY): Red with stripes, has good exhibition form but opens quick. Lots of blooms, good disease resistance. Monge (CA): New to my garden. It has a large flower for a mini. More dark red striping. Pretty good disease resistance with fairly good exhibition form potential. Ornelas (CA): This is a gorgeous miniature rose of red with white strips and flecks and white reverse. We have exhibited it at shows but the form does not hold as long as some other Dave Bang roses. It has large leaves that are disease resistant. We love this one, especially for its color. Reynolds (CA): Nice striping and shows form on most blooms No disease here in the desert. Van Lenten (SC): Has more red stripes than white and won Queen for us at the SC Show. Most blooms are high quality for showing. Not a very big bush. Ware (TX): is a stingy bloomer but the blooms are tight when they come. Color is good and dark. Wilkinson (GA): Fast growing bush. Goes from bud to fully open in one day. Removed.



'Warms My Heart' Photo by Dave Bang

WARMS MY HEART, ob, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Hefner (IN): Bright orange/yellow reverse, well-formed blooms. Vigorous grower. Like this one a lot. **Lockhart (KY):** Looks like a sunset at first then opens to a yellow pink blend, opens fast, it might show as a spray. Good bush is disease resistant. **Martin (CA):** A warm orange with yellow reverse, opens with excellent form and 24 petals. The blooms quickly move to an open bloom, which is itself attractive. The bush is new and growing with vigor so hopefully it will pick up a little more staying power in future iterations. **Regehr (AZ):** Still in a pot, but going to find a spot in the ground another will be added to the garden. Love the colors with orange and yellow reverse. Form and size potential is there. A happy spot in the garden should make for a great rose. **Settle (AL):** Abundance of bright orange blooms with good form. Winter hardy. **Stream (FL):** Medium size grower with decorative form blooms. The plant is very disease prone and will drop its foliage in a heartbeat. The bloom color is a crazy mixture of yellows, oranges, pinks and never uniform, just a mixture that is different on every bloom. Don't recommend this one. It's on my hit list.



'XOXO' Photo by Dave Bang

XOXO, rb, Bang, 2020 [K&M]

Lane-Piert (**CA**): I have two bought to celebrate the birth of identical twin boys. My great-grandsons. Unusual coloring which is quite confusing. Burgundy & Cream. colors are very 'muddled'. Form, at times, is good. Disease free. Must wait a while to decide it they could show. **Lockhart** (**KY**): Starts as dark red then lightens as it opens with some stripes on the inside petals. Very pretty rose. Center is ok but it opens quickly. Not much form, mostly sprays. Has good foliage and mostly disease resistant.

Shrubs Honor Roll: Graham Thomas, Sally Holmes, The Squire



'Alfred Sisley'
Photo courtesy of Certified Roses

ALFRED SISLEY, ab, Delbard, 2019 [Cert, Chamblee's]

Capote (NY) I had this rose for many years as an own-root plant purchased from Home Depot and it was just not at all vigorous. Its blooms were gorgeous though so I kept it around hoping that it would grow like the Alfred Sisleys at the New York Botanical Garden which I was told are budded onto multiflora and are just magnanimous looking. When it fell due to the late freeze in my area this past spring, I did not replace it since the Home Depots in my area only have own-root plants. If Palatine offers it again as a budded plant though, I will not hesitate to buy it. Clark (CA): Tidy bush that blooms in flushes, fast from bud to blooms, but holds open on the bush with attractive color. Cooney (CA): A Frida Kahlo look-alike. Same striping, just a little lighter pink rather than red stripe. Part of the Delbard "Painters Series". Like Frida? If yes, you'll like Alfred. Garrett (TN): Ruffled blooms have striking color, but we have a weak plant that will not grow. Guillebeau (FL): Vigorous plant producing long stems for cutting. Makes small sprays as well. An eye catcher. Moved it from a pot to a center spot in the garden. Helgeson (MN): Spreading habit. Nice garden rose. Hogrefe (NE): Great consistent, colorful bloomer. I bought more. Krause (TX): This Delbard rose is completely covered in orange and white striped blooms even in our 100 degree heat, no disease. Martin (CA): An orange and pink striped rose named sifter the French Impressionist landscape painter. Originally introduced in France in 2003, it has since been introduced in the United States by Certified Roses in 2019. The rose presents a riot of colors with

oranges, pinks and yellow stripes and a yellow reverse. Of note, it was released as a shrub although its growth habit appears otherwise identical to those of the Painter's Roses classed as floribundas. **Reed (GA):** I have won several blue ribbons with this one. Continues to do well. Came thru a very hard freeze and deer problems. **Strong (CA):** This is another of Certified's new introductions of the older roses in the Painter striped series by Delbard. I have been growing it for many years, and I still like it. **Van Boxtel (CA):** I love this rose because of how the blooms fade into a beautiful color combination. The reds turn into a faded tan/chocolate color. This rose produces lots of sprays, and stays fairly low to the ground compared to similar roses like Maurice Utrillo. This rose is easy to show, as long as you catch it before the roses are fully open, which is a very short window.



'Belinda's Blush' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

BELINDA'S BLUSH (sport of Belinda's Dream), mp, Shoup, 2020 [ARE]

Huffer (GA): Not a show rose but still a wonderful rose. Prolific bloomer and very disease resistant. Great for the garden. **Krause (TX):** Many petaled cream rose bloom with dark leaves, about 4 ft high 3 ft wide nice rose may show. **Strong (CA):** Weaker copy of Belinda's Dream. Stick with the original. This one follows the general rule that sports that are lighter in color than their parent are also weaker. **Wilkinson (GA):** Blush sport of Belinda's Dream. Great garden rose that will exhibit. I like it better than its mother.



'Burlesque' Photo by Junie Burns

BURLESQUE, mb, Burns, 2021 [Heir]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Heirloom Roses: The rare coloring of this breathtaking striped rose makes it a must have for all rose enthusiasts. It features purple petals with intricate lavender streaks that make up old-fashioned 3" blooms. Flowers grow in clusters with a strong fragrance. Add in great disease resistance.



Canadian Shield Photo courtesy of Multiplants

CANADIAN SHIELD, dr, Dyck, 2020

Helgeson (MN): Hardy, lots of bright red blooms. Makes a statement in the garden. **Sommers** (WI): Very hardy and disease resistant red shrub with bright cherry blooms to brighten the garden. Large, vigorous plant. Blooms tend to be in small clusters and not of show quality although dynamite in arrangements and some challenge classes.



'Champagne Wishes'
Photo courtesy of Ping Lim

CHAMPAGNE WISHES, w, Lim, 2021 [Bailey]

Anderson (**WI**): I've tried to grow this rose in the garden and in a pot – multiple times. It has lighter green foliage and a lovely white bloom. However, it is NOT winter hardy up north in the garden and even in a pot. By the end of the season it gets black spot. I wouldn't recommend it to any rose grower living this far north. **Kozemchak** (**PA**): Got this as a clearance rose at Lowes last year. I think it will be a nice garden rose, but not seeing any signs of anything to show.



'Child of Friendship' Photo courtesy of Brad Jalbert

CHILD OF FRIENDSHIP, ab, Mander, 2023 [Select]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Select (BC): A fantastic, summer flowering bright pink rambler (shrub) with extraordinarily beautiful foliage, wonderful autumn colors and also hips. Works great on a small tree, over that fence to that annoying neighbor or over a pergola. Lavish 3-week showing of blooms each summer. Easy care and start blooming first or second year of planting. Ultimate growth is as large as you want it, 15 plus feet. Can be pruned smaller as well.



'Chinook Sunrise' Photo courtesy of Centre de Jardin Barbe

CHINOOK SUNRISE, ab, Cobev, 2019

Helgeson (MN): Won best of show locally. Vigorous, medium amount of fragrance and very floriferous. Over 5 feet in height and width.



'Coral Freedom' Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

CORAL FREEDOM, coral-red, Bedard, 2019 [Cert, Spring Hill Nurseries]

Hayward (TX): A nice shrub rose which needs to be grown in the ground rather than a pot. In the heat flowers have a low petal count. Not for exhibition.



'Coral Miracle'
Photo courtesy of Certified Roses

CORAL MIRACLE, op, Rippetoe, 2021 [Cert]

Dreyer (KS): First year plant is determined to make an impact - bright, colorful. **Garrett (TN):** Very nice compact plant that is a bloom machine. The blooms have a nice coral color with a hint of yellow in the center. Good container variety with disease resistance, but not sure it will exhibit.



'Crawfish Etouffee'
Photo courtesy of Antique Rose Emporium

CRAWFISH ETOUFEÉ, rb, Andrew Barocco, 2020 [ARE]

Huffer (GA): Gorgeous red/russet, orange blooms come as singles and sprays. Spicy fragrance. Excellent form in spring and fall. Could compete.



'Dannahue' Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

DANNAHUE, ab, Austin, 2023 in U.K. [DAR] - Sneak Peek

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

David Austin Roses: Compact and shapely growth creates an upright and bushy shrub that flowers with great verve. This rose is full of character, who is happy to thrive in containers, against walls or fences and in shadier areas making it the perfect rose for city dwellers and modern living. The medium luscious scent is with zesty with notes of lemon, lychees and fresh apricots.



'Elizabeth' Photo by Chris VanCleave

ELIZABETH, ab, Austin, 2023 [DAR]

VanCleave (AL): 'Elizabeth' is a new intro this year from David Austin Roses in honor of Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. It really does have the most majestic blooms reminding me of apple blossoms with a strong sweet fragrance and fading to white as it finishes on the shrub. One to watch. Horn (CA): Very light pink rosettes exhibit this perfect shrub form with the much coveted "button eye" that comes from its OGR heritage. It reminds me a bit of the recently discontinued Austin rose 'Mary Magdalene', one of my favorites. The plant I received was very, very small and weak, but it is starting to gain vigor. I will be patient with it as the rose has received very limited distribution thus far. DAR: Pale pink-apricot blooms. A majestic rose bearing clusters of large, crisp apple blossom pink rosettes, paling to the gentlest blush white. Strong, sweet, fresh fragrance with hints of lemon sherbet and Old Rose. Exceptionally healthy and versatile of habit, it forms a shapely and commanding shrub growing up to 4 ½ feet tall.



'Emily Brontë' Photo by Suzanne Horn

EMILY BRONTE, ab, Austin, 2020 [DAR]

Borrmann (PA): Bought this for fragrance and it does not disappoint. Soft apricot/white that grows very well. Can be tall in the fall. Capote (NY): This rose is very vigorous, Despite being winter killed to the ground, it completely grew back and then some this spring. Its blooms are huge and its color is an usual shade that best be described as "dirty white." Unfortunately, this rose has been very bloom stingy for me. Last year it only bloomed once. This year it is finally resetting for the next flush after blooming back in early May. I guess this rose just has a really, really, long reset period and also needs to mature before reliably repeating. I will give it one more year. If it is still this bloom stingy next year, it may face the shovel. Guillebeau (FL): Cream colored Austin rose. Very tall grower that would make a good climber. Love the foliage. Hogrefe (NE): Second year, slow to develop, size I expect. Horn (CA): Pale apricot blooms with a flat, rosette form were on the small side on my three plants and were produced sparsely. On the upside, the rose is partially shade tolerant, and it is extremely disease resistant. All three plants were extremely vigorous and grew very large in the first year in 25-gallon containers. However, it almost never bloomed (twice in two years). I understand this rose takes a few years to establish, but I lost patience with it. I gave all three plants away to Austin lovers who might have better luck growing them in the ground. Van Boxtel (CA): I really wanted this rose to take off in my garden, but it's a slow grower. It's a nice rose, but it's not as vigorous as other David Austin roses. This might be due to our cooler weather this spring. The rose has a lovely fragrance.



'Eustacia Vye' Photo by Suzanne Horn

EUSTACIA VYE, ab, Austin, 2021 [DAR]

Bohne (GA): 2nd yr. plant is compact with many blooms that can ball. Some blackspot. Exhibition potential is questionable. Bonfigli (CA): I purchased this small plant due to the high ratings that it received in last year's Roses in Review and because I wanted to try one of the new Austin shrubs. So far, what I have observed are decent-sized, very well formed "English style" roses of very pale pink on a deficiently vigorous plant with disease resistant foliage. It is blooming at this moment, and while the blooms did not "fry" in last weekend's heatwave, they faded to cream after but a few days on the bush. I will keep it for now, due primarily to the beautiful form of the blooms and the "fresh" early coloration, but the vigor will have to improve if it is going to continue to occupy its space. 'Strong Heart' was planted in front of it nearly five months after E.V. and is already three times larger! However, the two look great blooming next to each other. Horn (CA): Blooms are a pale apricot pink with medium sized rosette, ruffled form. My plant was not overly vigorous in its first year, but it has gained considerable size and vigor in its second year. Disease resistance is excellent but rebloom is not very good. I note from other reports that it does not rebloom in summer because it loves cool weather. I will give it a little more time to see whether it is a contender to exhibit. Van Boxtel (CA): My mom and I both grow this rose in the same city, but I have 4 of them and they do really well in the ground. I love showing this rose, even though the blooms can be top heavy since it's a younger rose. Once the stems get thicker and the plant is older, I expect this to be a great show rose in the future.



'Femme Fatale'
Photo courtesy of Antique Rose Emporium

FEMME FATALE, dp, Andrew Barocco, 2022 [ARE]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Antique Rose Emporium: Full, hot pink colored and heavy perfumed blooms are held high on an upright shrub. Blackspot and mildew resistant. **HMF:** Strong, citrus, damask fragrance. High centered bloom form. Semi-glossy, dark green, leathery foliage.



'Firecracker'
Photo courtesy of Star Roses

FIRECRACKER aka FIRECRACKER-KOLORSCAPE, ob, Kordes, 2019 [Star] Bohne (GA): Bushy and compact grower with semi-double orange and yellow blooms. Good disease resistance. Good garden rose. Did not survive the winter.



'Flamingo Kolorscape'
Photo courtesy of Michigan Bulb Company

FLAMINGO KOLORSCAPE, dp, Kordes, 2020 [Star]

Shockley (AR): A beautiful single petalled rose. Nice for the garden. Getting it to a show will be a challenge.

FOREVER & EVER PINK - SEE PINK SNOWFLAKES, pb, Bedard, 2021



'Gabriel Oak' Photo by Suzanne Horn

GABRIEL OAK, dp, Austin, 2021 [DAR]

Horn (CA): Deep pink medium sized rosette blooms fade to pale pink on the outer petals. My plant was a rather weak grower and the blooms were just not big enough for exhibition. I gave it away to another Austin lover to adorn their home garden. **McBrien (MO):** Interesting raspberry pink flowers. It is holding its own so far, but I haven't gotten to its bed yet. **Minott (CA):** I love this rose. It is deep pink with a unique fragrance and good substance. The form is good, but it is smaller than many Austins. I'll keep it because it's named for my favorite character in literature and can win for fragrance. **Ware (TX):** My plant is only in bloom for a couple of months but its first bloom was well formed and produced a knockout scent. Good to have on a corner where you can bury your nose in it.



'Girl with a Curl' aka AMLJC 24 Photo by Beth Van Boxtel

GIRL WITH A CURL, Anne Morrow Lindberg x Julia Child, ob, Martin

Van Boxtel (CA): Bob Martin hybridized this rose. The rose produces oversized fluffy blooms with a lot of curl and lots of petals. It's medium orange with a hint of yellow and pink, and has a medium fragrance. Parents of this were Anne Morrow Lindbergh and Julia Child. There are a few of these roses in existence in private collections in San Diego. This rose shows well as an "unregistered" rose, but the timing is critical. The bloom doesn't last long after it's been cut.



'In Your Eyes' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

IN YOUR EYES, yb, Carruth, 2019 [Weeks, Edmds, Spring Hill]

Bagley (TX): Gave this one away after 4 years. Pretty colors and sprays. Just not enough of them to keep its spot in the garden. Garrett (TN): Small blooms have unusual coloration that changes as they mature. Our plant didn't grow well so it is gone. Kozemchak (PA): Gorgeous color as the yellow bloom with fuchsia eye, turns lavender with age, making a beautiful display in the garden. Fresh sprays should really grab the judge's attention. Krause (TX): Unusual colored single rose, (yellow fading to lavender) heavy bloomer, good garden rose. Lockhart (KY): Has 5 petals, pink with dark eye in center, bush needs lots of room. Real good rose with disease resistance and good fragrance. Will show. Rankin & Valentovic (WV): First year shrub is growing well. The blooms are mostly yellow with red eyes but also some pink in the petals depending on the weather conditions. It is a nice garden variety, so far it is disease resistant. It has been slow to grow in our yard but hopefully will take off this fall.



'India Marie' Photo by Bob Martin

INDIA MARIE, Anne Morrow Lindberg x Julia Child, ob, Martin

Van Boxtel (CA): Bob Martin hybridized this rose. It's a compact, delicate rose that produces creamy peachy-vanilla petals with cupped blooms that are about 3" wide. This rose is very healthy and withstands heat, disease, and lack of water. The only downside to this rose is that it's very hard to show it. The blooms don't last long, and it reminds me of Bronze Medal (another rose of Bob Martin). There are a few of these roses in existence in private collections in San Diego.



'Landlust'
Photo courtesy of Mein Schoener Garten

LANDLUST, op, Kordes, 2019 [Freedom Gardens]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Kordes Roses: Yellow overcast pink. Abundant flowering shrub rose, vivid colour and good resistance to diseases. The name refers to the popular German magazine "LandLust". Has received several prizes in international rose competitions like public awards in Hradec and Baden-Baden or the Golden Rose in Kortrijk.



'Magnolia Memories' (Formerly 'Pink Magnolia') Photo courtesy of Antique Rose Emporium

MAGNOIA MEMORIES (formerly PINK MAGNOLIA), pb, 2023 [ARE]

Antique Rose Emporium: With outstanding vigor and prolific blooming power, 'Magnolia Memories' should be a focal point in any garden. This rose is the most hardy, clean and disease resistant rose that we have produced thus far. It can easily create a large, informal hedge when planted in mass. Grows 5-6 feet tall. **Huffer (GA):** 2023 introduction is also called Pink Magnolia. Gorgeous, pale pink blooms. A strong grower and quick repeat bloomer. Occasional show potential. **Krause (TX):** Beautiful fragrant pink rose that has won a fragrance award. Good garden rose from pioneer series from the Antique Rose Emporium.



'Never Forget Rose'
Photo courtesy of Heirloom Roses

NEVER FORGET ROSE: w, Ducher, 2023 [Heir] This rose is a Classic Shrub.

Flynn (**LA**): Clusters of semi-double, white blooms with yellow stamens on arching canes. New plant is healthy and vigorous. Should have show potential. **Heirloom Roses:** Hybrid Musk rose that begins with gentle, pink buds that burst into clusters of white blooms with a delicious scent. Created by Fabien Ducher of France, this vigorous white rose is named to honor the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, in honor of its 100th anniversary.



'Nye Bevan' Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses



'Nye Bevan' Photo by Jacqui Bilodeau Nye

NYE BEVAN, ly, Austin, 2023 [DAR]

Nye (RI): Nye Bevan is a new rose released to the U.S. market from David Austin. The bloom is very pale yellow and not too full. So far very disease resistant with a light fragrance. **David Austin Roses:** English Shrub Rose Color: Pale yellow Flowering: Repeat Flowering Fragrance: Lightmedium, Myrrh Size: Medium Shrub 3 1/2ft tall. Bloom Size: Medium. An uplifting rose bearing unusual open cupped flowers of soft yellow, paling to cream. The scallop-shaped, incurved petals are loosely yet generously assembled around a central boss of golden stamens, creating a soft, airy appearance.



'Orange Freedom' Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

ORANGE FREEDOM, ob, Zary, 2019 [Spring Hill]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Spring Hill: Plant this glorious rose bush type in groups or as a hedgerow and watch as it grows up and up, topping out at 6' tall—the perfect height for a privacy screen. These orange roses can be pruned to lower heights, making them a wonderful border variety. From late spring to fall, an abundance of $3\frac{1}{2}$ " orange roses appear amid rich green foliage. Each bloom opens fully and gives a striking resemblance to a classic, old-fashioned rose.



'Oso Easy Double Pink' Photo by Spring Meadow

OSO EASY DOUBLE PINK, mp, Meilland, 2019, 2021 AOE [Proven]

Eckley (CO): Continuous bloom. Garden. Flynn (LA): Low growing shrub with good repeat bloom. No signs of disease in my regular spray garden. Not for exhibition. Hering (OH): Excellent decorative pink shrub. Loaded with blooms, medium height, disease resistant. 2021 AOE winner.



'Oso Easy Peasy' Photo courtesy of Spring Meadow Nursery

OSO EASY PEASY, dp, Meilland, 2020, [Spring Meadow]

Leisgang (WI) from 2022: This rose handled winter just fine and is a nice rounded small shrub with consistent blooms. She is currently covered in blackspot for which I'm not thrilled.



'Ouida' Photo by Suzanne Horn



'Ouida' Photo by Suzanne Horn

OUIDA, lp, Sproul, 2019 [Sproul]

Belendez (CA): After growing this rose for nearly 5 years on its own-roots in a 7-gallon pot, it is still barely 2-1/2 feet tall. It's a lovely light pink with beautiful form on good stems with clusters of about 5 blooms. The fragrance is a light citrus. I have not seen any disease on it even though it has not been sprayed in nearly 4 years, and it grows next to my humid swimming pool. It needs to be moved to a larger pot or into the ground, but I doubt that the plant will get huge, like Perdita shrub that grows to barely 3 feet tall and produces many bloom clusters on medium length stems. **Bulman** (CA): A small bush from K and M that provides a bloom once in a while. Don't know how it stays alive but that one bloom it comes up with smells like heaven so I have been trying solutions to expand its vigor. Not really enough bush in the ground to evaluate. Ekuan (CA): Fragrant blooms with nice old rose form. Negatives include a sprawly plant and weak necks. Mildew resistant. Guillebeau (FL): Light pink with fabulous form. One of my favorite new roses. Jim Sproul did a great job! Not available as of yet but shrub fans will go crazy over this one. Horn (CA): Seashell pink blooms have English rose form and could be mistaken for an Austin shrub. Medium sized old-fashioned blooms have cupped to flat form and come singly and in sprays. The plants are not super vigorous but they hold their own. As are all Jim Sproul hybrids, the plants are disease resistant, and the blooms have a mild, fruity fragrance. I haven't gotten it to a show yet but I like it so much that I added another two plants to my collection. I have also given plants to other exhibitors (Ray Guillebeau & Gerry Mahoney) to increase its exposure at shows. For me, it's a definite keeper. Ornelas (CA): A very pretty shrub rose with pink cupped fragrant blooms. Our plant is small right now but it is new to us. It has fragrant blooms. Shocklev (AR): We need to start a campaign to beg Jim to make it available! Love this rose.



'Panda Meidiland' Photo courtesy of Heirloom Roses

PANDA MEIDILAND, w, Meilland, 2020 [Star]

Martin (**CA**): A re-introduction of a rose familiar to me. I pirated one out of a public test garden 20 years or so ago, propagated it and trucked it to Arizona where it grew in our front yard as a low growing ground cover. It has glossy green foliage and a brilliant white single bloom that seems to reflect light and blind thrips. It thrived in Arizona and I reviewed it favorably in programs given. **Strong** (**CA**): Just got this, but am favorably impressed. Makes consistently decent sized sprays on dark shiny green leaves to good effect. Single and good yellow stamens also. Got it at Evergreen in San Diego as a "landscape shrub" but it could cross over to non-landscape uses.



'Pink Freedom Photo courtesy of American Rose Trials for Sustainability

PINK FREEDOM, pb, Bedard, 2019 [Spring Hill Nurseries]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Spring Hill: Beauty and versatility go hand in hand with this lovely rose. Depending on how it is pruned, Pink Freedom will easily adapt to borders, can create a wonderful focal point planting, or grow into a delightful flowering hedge. Plus, no matter how it is used, you'll be presented with an abundance of stunning 3½" blooms that are perfect for cut-flower arrangements. Pink Freedom roses open fully to exhibit an old-fashioned form and sunny yellow throats. They are very easy to grow and attract butterflies to the landscape for an extra touch of charm. We are delighted to announce that Pink Freedom Rose has won the 2022 American Rose Trials for Sustainability Master Rose Award as well as American Garden Rose SelectionsTM 2022 Regional Choice Award in four regions - Northeast, Northwest, South Central, and Southeast!

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'Pink Miracle'
Photo courtesy of Singularly Beautiful Roses

PINK MIRACLE, dp, Rippletoe, 2021 [Cert]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Certified Roses: Flowerful pink-toned partner of the marvelous Miracle on the Hudson. Deep glossy green leaves provide the perfect background for vibrant hot pink semi-double blooms.



'Pink Snowflakes' aka 'Forever & Ever Pink' Photo courtesy of Heirloom Roses

PINK SNOWFLAKES (aka FOREVER & EVER PINK), mp, Bedard, 2021 [Edmds, Heir]

Plasz (IL): 20 plants in Libertyville Public Garden, winter hardy, short, about 18 inches high. Lots of flowers. After pruning off the deadheads from the first bloom, it really looks short, but come roaring back with great basal breaks. **HMF:** Pink, lighter center, ages to light pink. Single blooms.



'Playful Happy Trails' Photo Courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

PLAYFUL HAPPY TRAILS, mr, Carruth, 2021 [Edmds, High, Spring]

Bever (CO): Playful is the perfect name for this rose. Sends out long flexible canes – could train on a small trellis. Fun in a rock garden that is well irrigated. **Strong (CA):** This landscape rose could compete at shows – it makes delightful tiny little singles that are very brightly colored and good at attracting attention to themselves. And they have and hold good stamens when fresh.



'Polar Express'
Photo courtesy of Select Roses

POLAR EXPRESS, w, Kordes, 2020 [Heir, Select, Chamblee's]

Anderson (WI): I've had this plant for two years and I grow it in a pot. It was prolific, but when the white blooms were spent, they would drop. The bush grows fairly tall and the blooms last a fair amount of time. The foliage is a dark green and offsets the round, white blooms nicely. Bowen (LA): Great garden rose. Full of creamy white sprays all over the bush. Dark green foliage is very disease resistant. Too fragile to travel well. Garrett (TN): Extremely vigorous plant, but it doesn't bloom well. The blooms are very small. We finally discarded. Kozemchak (PA): Clean healthy bush produces nice sprays that will show well. Also named after my granddaughter Keira's, favorite Christmas movie, had to have this one! Reed (GA): Nothing special about this rose due to the long canes that need staking. Many better shrub roses than this one. Not recommended. Shockley (AR): A giant bush that produced lovely sprays. Another shrub rose that can also be grown as a climber. Beautiful glossy foliage; awesome sprays of small white blooms set it apart from other shrub roses I grow. Rose Rosette took it out. Stream (FL): Canes grew 8 ft. long with only a few white blooms. Very disease resistant. Gave it away. Not a show rose. Wright (AR): Second year bush is grown as a climber. The sprays are eye catching and worth the wait.



'President Shanley' Photo by Andy Vanable

PRESIDENT SHANLEY, w, Vanable, 2019 [High Country Roses]

Capote (NY): This rose is amazing. I grew it in a no spray garden and liked it so much I planted one of my own. It is disease resistant, fragrant, and drought resistant. Unfortunately, this rose would not do well on the show table. It simply cannot compete with the showier shrubs. If it was classified as a polyantha, it would slay that category, but the hybridizer, who has since passed away, was adamant that this should be a shrub because of its parentage and genetics. As such, this rose is great for the landscape, but I don't see it being useful for the exhibitor. Eckley (CO): Small, very small white clustering blooms, Blooms almost like a cluster of Baby's Breath, Now planted with a trellis. First year own root. Gave it a spot in our packed garden because it has the name! Not sure where it would fit on the show table. It started blooming in the pot and hasn't stopped growing. It's almost 4' by 2'. Interesting plant for arrangements was my thought Nye (RI): Great shrub. Conical Blooms. Instant bouquets. Disease resistance is high. Make plenty of room for her. White with a tinge of pink. Later bloom cycle for our Rose Show season.



'Princess Elise' Photo courtesy of Heirloom Roses

PRINCESS ELISE, dp, Clements, 2019 [Heir]

*** We have no reports on this rose this year.

Heirloom: Princess Elise will grace your garden with bright, magenta coloring. Suitable for the ground or a container, Princess Elise is an English shrub that will mature at about 4'x4' and bloom continually throughout the season. Her sweet, old garden rose fragrance is exceptional.



'Reminiscent Pink' Photo courtesy of Proven Winners

REMINISCENT PINK, Landscape Shrub, p, Phono Geno, 2023 [Proven]

Garrett (TN): 1st year own root plant is quite vigorous. Has nice medium pink blooms. Not yet sure about exhibition potential. **ARS Website:** "Reminiscent Pink" has medium-pink blooms with a moderate tea fragrance. This rose blooms continuously through the growing season without the need for deadheading. **Proven Winners:** "ReminiscentTM roses represent a new day for rose lovers, combining the classic beauty and fragrance of old-fashioned roses with modern-day performance. They were developed in Serbia by a breeding team that is devoted to bringing out the best in color, fragrance, petal count, and flower power."



'Ringo All-Star' aka 'For Your Eyes Only' Photo courtesy of Spring Meadow Nursery

RINGO ALL-STAR (For Your Eyes Only), op, Warner, 2021 [Proven]

Ball (WA) Healthy and vigorous shrub. The rose itself is very pretty and I love how it changes over time, giving you a mix of color on the whole plant. I've not shown it, but it could be a contender. **Capote (NY):** I just love how this rose changes colors! It also closes up at night which is so cool! Unfortunately, it does not produce flowers on long canes for cutting to bring to a show, so for now, it just sits in front of my house in a pot giving similes to all those who pass by. **Hering (OH):** Orange-pink blooms with red center – miniflora size - eye catching. **Kozemchak (PA):** First year hulthemia shrub that is a pink version of Ringo, and is growing well. Hopefully it will produce some longer stems and nice sprays. **Strong (CA):** I was tricked into buying this one by the name change. I had already tried and rejected For Your Eyes Only, only to see and purchase this new one named Ringo All Star. Wish I had looked it up before it jumped in my cart, lol. **Swanson (NE):** First year, so far, a low growing shrub starting to get a bit taller. Single blooms, pretty with an eye, short-lived.



'Ringo Double Pink' Photo courtesy of Proven Winnerw

RINGO DOUBLE PINK, pb, Warner, 2023 [Proven]

Bever (CO): Almost didn't make its first winter. May not be compatible with Colorado's cold and windy winters. **Hering (OH):** Pink with a red eye, floriferous, decorative form, growth habit is not upright, excellent disease resistance – currently in the AOE trials.



'Rise Up Amberness'
Photo courtesy of Proven Winners

RISE UP AMBERNESS, Climbing Shrub, mb, Warner, 2023 [Proven]

Hering (OH): Yellow (climber/shrub) 25 petals, not exhibition form, excellent disease resistance – currently in AOE trials. **ARS Website:** "Rise Up Amberness" has exceptionally fragrant, wavy, amber-colored blooms with golden stamens. "Rise Up Amberness" grow up to 5 feet tall.



'Rise Up Lilac Days'
Photo courtesy of Proven Winners

RISE UP LILAC DAYS, Climbing Shrub, mb, Warner, 2023 [Proven]

Hering (OH): Mauve/pink, 20-25 petals, climber with upright growth – currently in AOE trials. **Shockley (AR):** Planting it for fragrance. The 6-foot-tall beauty's fragrance was luring people into their display garden. **ARS Website:** "Rise Up Lilac Days" has lilac-blue blooms that have a powerful, heady fragrance. This mini climbing shrub rose grows to a height of 5 to 8 feet.



'Rise Up Ringo' Photo courtesy of Proven Winners

RISE UP RINGO, Climbing Shrub, yb, Warner, 2023 [Proven]

*** We have no reports on this rose this year.

ARS Website: "Rise Up Ringo" has lightly fragrant, double golden-yellow flowers that feature a bright red eye. ""Rise Up Ringo" grows up to 5 feet tall. **Proven Winners:** Rise Up™ Ringo® is also a climber, but it can be grown as a tall shrub. It will grow 3.5' tall and 2.3' wide as a shrub. It has good disease resistance and fragrance as well.



'Roald Dahl'
Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

ROALD DAHL, ab, Austin, 2021 [DAR]

Bates (**TN**): Grows tall and strong. Nice bloom. **Clark** (**CA**): Small, sets mostly single blooms of semi cupped form. Hasn't performed as well as I expect from an Austin. **Eckley** (**CO**): Nice Austin bloom. Bought for the name of author. **Horn** (**CA**): Old fashioned blooms are a yellow-peach blend and attractive. I grew this rose for about a year and gave it away because the blooms were too small for exhibition purposes. The plant was disease resistant, which is a plus. I suppose if one gave it enough time to get really established, it could contend for the shrub spray class. **McBrien** (**MO**): This one did not survive the winter. It had frosty apricot flowers, but it didn't make it.



'Scentuous' Photo by Jowita Czyz

SCENTUOUS, lp, Evers, 2020 [Cert, Edmds, Chamblee's]

Moore (NE): This plant is on the small side. Very slow starting this spring. The blooms are not exhibition form, but it is a shrub. As a shrub I would hope that it would produce more blooms. **Myers** (NC): Beautiful shrub rose that will show in spring and fall. Vigorous grower. Blooms mostly in sprays. Great fragrance. Highly recommended. **Shimoda** (CA): Very short plant, healthy and blooms regularly. **Tiffany** (CA): Nice fragrance on a small bush. Wish it were bigger and more prolific. My lament for many roses.



'Silas Marner' Photo by Suzanne Horn

SILAS MARNER, lp, Austin, 2022 [DAR]

Horn (CA): This new release from David Austin Roses is a lovely soft pink English style rose. Blooms are only about 2 inches in diameter and come in small sprays. The plant is completely disease resistant, which is a plus. Rebloom is very slow, however. I am concerned that the blooms will be too small for exhibition, and I'm not very optimistic about it. However, I'll probably keep it for one more year for evaluation. **Van Boxtel (CA):** I just bought this rose earlier this year, and kept it in the same pot. The rose is putting out strong stems of new growth, and I expect this rose to do well in shows next year. I love the fragrance of this rose. My only complaint is that it has so many "tucked" petals that tiny bugs (like western flower thrips) like to hide in the bloom. I have other similar roses, but this one for some reason attracts the tiny bugs.



'Southern Sweet Tea'
Photo courtesy of Antique Rose Emporium

SOUTHERN SWEET TEA, ab, 2022 [ARE]

Huffer (GA): Another new rose from Antique Rose Emporium. Lovely cream and pink blend blooms come one per stem. Blooms are on the small side but color and strong fragrance are excellent. Form is sort of there. Parents are 'Le Vesuve' and 'Soul Sister'.



'Sultry Night'
Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

SULTRY NIGHT, m, Bedard, 2022 [Spring Meadow Nursery, Weeks, Chamblee's]

ARS: Old-fashioned, cuppy and very double magenta blooms that flower in clusters. The blooms have a moderate, sweet grapefruit fragrance. The medium-small shrub is bushy with glossy green foliage and very good disease resistance. **Van Boxtel** (**CA**): I don't have too many good things to say about Sultry Night. This might be because I've only had the rose in the ground for 6 months. The blooms don't last long and don't withstand any amount of hot weather. The rose has gotten off to a slow start and hasn't grown taller than 12" so it's possible that it needs more time, but I honestly think I will be replacing this rose with a stronger exhibition rose.



'Sunorita' Photo courtesy of Spring Meadow Nursery

SUNORITA, ob, Warner, 2021 [Spring Meadow Nursery]

Hering (OH): Medium yellow (orange blend) decorative miniflora size blooms with about 17 petals, very disease resistant, 2022 AOE winner. **Huffer (GA):** Orange-red blooms with 14-15 petals. Excellent sprays and quick repeat bloom. It's known as a floribunda in the rest of the world and that's how it is for me too. Wonderful disease resistance. A real head turner. If only the stems were a little longer. Not much of a show rose.



'Sunset Happy Trails' Photo courtesy of Spring Hill Nurseries

SUNSET HAPPY TRAILS, ob, Carruth, 2022 [Spring Hill Nurseries]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Spring Hill Nurseries: Buds begin in a light peach surrounding yellow centers, before fading to a stunning seashell pink color. It has glossy green foliage and excellent disease resistance.



'Sweet Baby' Photo by Brad Jalbert at Select Roses

SWEET BABY, mp, Jalbert, 2023 [Select, Chamblee's]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Jalbert/Select Roses & Chamblee's: Sweet Baby is a perfect compact superbly healthy landscape type shrub! This rose is able to bring you a robust yet tidy growing shrub that covers itself with baby pink fully double roses all season long. Foliage is high gloss deep green with excellent resistance to disease. The blooms have a flawless hybrid tea shape bud opening slowly to a perfect little rose. The blooms are around 2 inches in size. Fragrance is sweet light and fresh.



'The Country Parson'
Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

THE COUNTRY PARSON, ly, Austin, 2022 [DAR]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

David Austin Roses: A pretty yet feisty rose of Scottish descent, bearing open, medium sized almost flat rosettes of pure yellow. The petals appear gracefully translucent towards the outer edges of each bloom creating an illuminated effect. There is a delicious medium-strong fruity fragrance with notes of sweet apricot, green apple and honey. A rounded medium-sized shrub whose little spiny thorns mingle with small, greyish-green leaves. A very healthy and robust rose, producing continuous, plentiful blooms from June through to the first frosts.



'The Mill On The Floss' Photo by Bob Martin

THE MILL ON THE FLOSS, lp, Austin, 2020 [DAR]

Horn (CA): This rose is advertised as having pink to lilac blooms, but I found the blooms to be extremely pale in color. The form is lovely, presenting cupped old-fashioned blossoms. The glossy foliage is extremely disease resistant, which is a plus. I grew it for about a year and gave it away because the blooms were too small for exhibition purposes. With enough time and patience, I could see it contending for the shrub spray class. I just didn't have the patience to wait for it. Kozemchak (PA): Third year bush growing well and staying clean, had some nice sprays this spring. Beautiful pink cupped blooms. Lane-Piert (CA): Attractive pink blend that maybe needs more sun in my garden. Slow to repeat and 'rangy with blooms on top of long stems. Maybe she needs more time. One more season and maybe another home may be needed for her. A good bloom will show but needs a more mature plant to have an exceptional one. Strong (CA): Flowers are too small for exhibition. Wants to grow TALL, with a mass of tiny blooms way up there.

TIC TAC, ob, Lim, 2023 [Home Depot]

Strong (CA): Newbie from Ping Lim next year. A delightful, always blooming mini stripe that looks like a smaller copy of Frida Kahlo. Will be at Home Depot. Very cute rose.

*** We do not have a photo of this rose yet. ***



'Tottering-By-Gently'
Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

TOTTERING-BY-GENTLY, ly, Austin, 2020

Huffer (GA): Single petalled blooms in large clusters. Yellow that ages almost to white with 4-8 petals. Has won its class although not a long-lasting cut flower and doesn't refrigerate well. Mild, citrus fragrance. **Wilkinson (GA):** Something different from Austin. Bright yellow, 5-petal bloom clusters cover the bush. Fantastic garden variety bush. Can exhibit.



'True Perfume' aka 'Lady First' Photo courtesy of Ping Lim

TRUE PERFUME (AKA LADY FIRST), pink, Lim, 2023 [Alt]

We have no reports on this rose. Altman Plants: Fragrant pink flowers with white on the petals.



'Yellow Freedom' Photo by Michael Garhart

YELLOW FREEDOM, y, Bedard, 2019 [Spring Hill Nurseries]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Spring Hill Nurseries: An abundance of perfectly formed blooms open fully to reveal velvety petals of sunny yellow. With an old-fashioned appeal, the 3½" flowers are loved by butterflies.



'Wicked Sister' Photo courtesy of Antique Rose Emporium

WICKED SISTER, p, Mike Shoup, 2022 [ARE]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet. Florentina x Abraham Darby

Antique Rose Emporium: A breakthrough in breeding, 'Wicked Sister® is the devilishly more successful seedling of 'Abraham Darby®.' She possesses all of the old-garden charm with her quartered flower shape but has an iron clad constitution when it comes to disease resistance.

Climbers
Honor Roll: Altissimo & Fourth of July



'Bathsheba' Photo courtesy of David Austin Roses

BATHSHEBA, ap, Austin, 2018 [DAR]

Horn (CA): Beautiful English style blooms on a very vigorous climber. This rose will definitely exhibit. **Minott (CA):** Vigorous and already won a blue ribbon. **David Austin Roses:** Apricotyellow buds open to shallowly cupped, many petalled rosettes. They are a beautiful blend of subtle apricot-pink and soft yellow, giving the overall impression of apricot, with creamy outer petals. There is a superb floral myrrh fragrance, with hints of honey and Tea. It forms a short, vigorous climber.



'Golden Opportunity' Photo courtesy of Weeks Roses

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY, my, Carruth, 2020 [Weeks, Chamblee's]

Bever (**CO**): Doesn't climb. We have two on their own root and one grafted. None of them are taller than 3 feet. The blooms are a nice size, and the color is rich golden yellow – but I would not call it a climber. No such thing as a lateral cane on any of our three plants. **McBrien** (**MO**): This rose had nice color flowers, but plant did not make it through the winter. Was similar in color to the floribunda Eureka.



'Peppermint Party'
Photo courtesy of Jackson & Perkins

PEPPERMINT PARTY, pb, Bedard, 2023 [J&P]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Jackson & Perkins: Peppermint Party grows vigorously, reaching 8 to 10 feet tall and about 4 feet wide. Its strong, medium-long, arching canes have dense, glossy, olive-green foliage. It blooms heavily throughout the season in clusters of 3-inch spiraled flowers. The shapely double blooms have 25 soft-yellow to cream petals heavily edged in red. They emit a fruity fragrance and make nice cuts for the vase. Peppermint Party has good disease resistance. This highly versatile rose can be grown on trellises, poles, arches, and pillars, trained along fences or walls.



'True Delight' Photo by Ping Lim

TRUE DELIGHT, lp, Lim, 2023 [Alt]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Altman Plants: A climber that's all about big (climbs to 6 feet). The blooms are wildly striped in yellow and salmon pink, complemented by glossy green leaves. Very fragrant & disease resistant.



'True Devotion' aka 'Professor Lee' Photo by Ping Lim

TRUE DEVOTION aka PROFESSOR LEE, x, Lim, 2023 [Alt]

*** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.

Altman Plants: Light green leaves form the backdrop for highly fragrant light pink flowers packed with 50+ petals each. This highly vigorous climbing rose (climbs to 7 feet) is very disease resistant and makes an amazing display against a wall, on a trellis, or gracing an arbor.



'True Gratitude' aka 'Flying Kiss' Photo by Mark Miller

TRUE GRATITUDE aka FLYING KISS, dp, Lim, 2023 [Alt]

- *** We have no reports on this rose as of yet.
- *** Best Climber at Biltmore Trials.

Altman Plants: Deeply colorful and boldly spicy blooms are paired with an attractive climbing growth habit (climbs to 6 feet).

Addendum

Sources

Sources listed indicate a probable source(s) of the reviewed rose but is not necessarily an indication the source is the only source, or even that the source has the rose currently available.

The Editor highly recommends the **Combined Rose List 2023**, a 6" x 9" soft cover book containing 249 pages that includes a nursery list with addresses, phone and fax numbers, website URLs, and other useful information on commercial rose sources worldwide. The nursery list contains data from 263 nurseries actively selling roses; 111 in North America and 152 overseas. The rose list includes a total of 16,713 different rose species and cultivars. It is available for \$30 from Peter Schneider, PO Box 677, Mantua, OH 44255 – see http://www.combinedroselist.com.

The Editor also recommends http://www.helpmefind.com as an outstanding source of information on all roses as well as uploaded photographs from around the world. The site is a member-community supported website; your financial support ensures it will continue to grow and thrive. A one-year membership is \$24. Please join.

Source Abbreviations

Wholesale suppliers are identified when known and the reader is left to identify local or mail order retail outlets. The absence of a source indicates the Editor knew none at the time of publication.

Alt– Altman Plants (CA) (wholesale)

Burl – Burlington Rose Nursery (CA) (Burling Leong)

Cert – Certified Roses (AZ; TX) (wholesale)

Cham – Chamblee's Roses (TX)

Cool – Cool Roses (FL) (Geoff Coolidge)

DAR – David Austin Roses

Edmds – Edmunds Roses (OR) (now owned by Jung)

Heir – Heirloom Roses (OR) (Ben Hanna)

J&P – Jackson & Perkins (SC) (now owned by Park Seed/Wayside)

K&M – K&M Nursery (MS) (Jim Mills)

North – Northland Rosarium (WA)

Pal – Palatine Roses (Ontario, Canada)

Proven – Proven Winners (MI) (wholesale)

Rul – Roses Unlimited (SC) (Bill Patterson & Pat Henry)

Star – Meilland Star Roses (CA) (wholesale)

Weeks – Weeks Wholesale Rose Grower (CA) (wholesale)

Wisc – Wisconsin Roses (WI) (Steve Singer)



"Remember in speaking of roses that we are in this for the fun of it." ~ Robert B. Martin, Jr.
Photo by Dona Martin

The End