

RECOMMENDED ROSES FOR THE SOUTH

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If there is any rule by which to choose roses, it is to find and plant those that have been proven to thrive in your particular climate. Although we don't have perfect growing conditions for all roses, there are many roses that do very well in Southern gardens. Some rosarians divide the South into two growing zones: "The Coast" and "Everywhere Else".

Most roses do very well in both situations but sandy coastal soil and high levels of sunshine and heat are challenges. EarthKind(tm) roses, tested and released by Texas A&M University, are exceptionally tough and pest-resistant in rigorous environments.

Following is a list of roses with which Southern rosarians have had good success.

EarthKind(tm) roses are designated (E).

Roses recommended specifically for coastal or sandy environments are designated (C).

Floribunda roses

	Flower color	Scent	Ht x wd
Angel Face	silvery-lavender	citrus	3-4 x 3
Apricot Nectar	apricot with pink	strong fruity	3-4 x 3
Europeana	deep crimson	slight tea	2-3 x 2
First Edition	orange-blend	light tea	3-4 x 3
Fusilier (C)	Orange-red	mild	5 x 4
Gene Boerner	sparkling pink	mild/sweet	4 x 3
Iceberg	white	mild	3-4 x 2
Livin' Easy	apricot/orange	fruity	3-5 x 3-5
Nearly Wild (E)	rose pink	lt apple	2-3 x 2-3
Pinocchio (C)	Orange-pink	fruity	3 x 3
Sunsprite	deep yellow	strong licorice	2-3 x 2

Shrub Roses

Sea Foam (E)	creamy white	light	2-3 x 2-4
Carefree Beauty	rosy-pink	fruity	5 x 5
Katy Road Pink (E)	medium pink	strong	4-5 x 4-5
Dortmund	bright red	apple	8-10 x 6
Belinda's Dream (E) (C)	light pink	fruity	3-6 x 3
Knock Out (E)	cherry red	mild tea	3 x 3

Hybrid Tea Roses

Alabama	rose-pink	like tea	5 x 3
Alec's Red	medium red	strong	5-7 x 2
Brigadoon	cream with crl/pink	light	4 x 2
Chicago Peace	hot pink/yellow rev	mild	4 x 6
Chrysler Imperial	deep red/crimson	st damask	4-5 x 4
Duchesse de Brabant (C)	light pink	strong tea	5 x 3
Garden Party	creamy white	strong tea	3-6 x 2
Gemini	pink/cream	light fruit	5 x 3
Granada	red/ornge/yellw mi x	strong spicy	4-6 x 4
Lady Hillingdon (C)	yellow blend	tea	5 x 4
Marie van Houtte (C)	pink blend	strong	6 x 3
Midas Touch	neon yellow	fruity	3-4 x 3
Miss Atwood (C)	light apricot	tea	5 x 4
Mr. Lincoln	velvety red	int. damask	3-6 x 2
Mrs. B. R. Cant (C)	medium pink	strong	4 x 4
Oregold	lemon yellow	slight	5-6 x 4
Pascali	white	slight tea	3-4 x 2-4
Peace	yellow with pink	mild fruit	5-6 x 3
Pristine	ivory with pink	strong	3-4 x 2
Red Masterpiece	deep burgandy	strong	4 x 3
Rosette Delizy (C)	pink-yellow blend	tea	5 x 4
Secret	cream with pink	strong spicy	4 x 4
The McCartney Rose	medium pink	strong	3-6 x 3
White Masterpiece	white	Mild	4 x 2
Yankee Doodle	yellow blend	tea	5 x 4

Grandiflora Roses

Love	scarlet red	strong spicy	4 x 4
Montezuma	orange-pink blend	mild	2-5 x 2-4
Caribbean	orange-yellow	mild	4 x 3
Queen Elizabeth	medium pink	mod tea	5-10 x 3

Polyantha Roses

Marie Daly (E)	medium pink	strong	3-4 x 3-4
Else Poulsen (E)	medium pink	mild	3-5 x 3-4
The Fairy	light pink	little	3-4 x 2-4
Marie Pavié	white	strong	3-4 x 2
La Marne	pink blend	mild	4-6 x 3
Caldwell Pink (E)	lilac-pink	n/a	3-4 x 3
Perle d'Or (C)	yellow-pink	strong	3 x 3-6

English Roses

Sir Edward Elgar	medium red	mild	3-4 x 2-4
Lilian Austin	orange-pink blend	mild	4 x 4
Jude the Obscure	yellow	strong	4 x 4
The Squire	dark red	strong	3-4 x 3-4
Happy Child	medium yellow	strong	3-4 x 4
Sharifa Asthma	soft pink	strong	3 x 3
Chaucer	medium pink	myrrh	3-4 x 3
Pretty Jessica	deep pink	old rose	2-3 x 2
Tamora	apricot	strong myrrh	2-3 x 2-3
Ambridge Rose	deep apricot	very sweet	3-4 x 3
Evelyn	apricot blend	very strong	3-4 x 3
St. Cecelia	medium pink	strong myrrh	3-6 x 2-3

Climbing Roses (the Cl. abbreviation means it is a climbing form of a bush-type rose)

Altissimo	blood red	clove	7-15 x 8
America	pink with salmon/crl	spicy clove	10-12 x 6
Buff Beauty (C)	apricot-orange	strong	4-10 x 4-8
Cecile Brunner (C)	light pink	mild	2-4 x 2
Champney's Pink Cluster (C)	light pink	mild	10 x 6
Cl. Perle des Jardins (C)	light yellow	strong	8 x 3
Cl. Lady Hillingdon (C)	yellow blend	tea	10 x 8
Cl. Clotilde Soupert (C)	near white	strong	6 x 3
Cl. Cramoisi Superieur (C)	medium red	mild	12 x 10
Cl. Souvenir de la Malmaison (C)	light pink	tea	10 x 8
Crepuscle (C)	apricot blend	sweet	10 x 5
Don Juan	deep red	strong	8-15 x 6
Fourth of July	red/white stripes	apple	10-14 x 3-6
New Dawn	soft pink	sweet rose	10-15 x 8
Pinkie	medium pink	strong	1 x 2
Sally Holmes (C)	near white	mild	8 x 4
Sombreuil (C)	near white	strong tea	10 x 5
Westerland (C)	apricot	strong spicy	10 x 4

Old Garden/Species Roses

Archduke Charles (C)	red blend	mild	4 x 3
Blush Noisette (C)	pink	strong	3-5 x 4
Cherokee Rose (R. laevigata)	white	strong	15-20 x 10
Lady Banks Rose (R. banksiae....)	pale yellow	slight	15-20 x 3
Louis Philippe (C)	crimson	strong	3 x 4
Madame Alfred Carriere (C)	white-pink	strong	10 x 10
Mutabilis (E) (C)	varied	light	4-10 x 10
Nastarana	white	strong	4-15 x 10
Old Blush (C)	Medium pink	mild	6 x 4

Miniature Roses

Gourmet Popcorn	clear white	light fruity	2 x 2
Starina	scarlet orange	strong	1.5 x 2
Cupcake	soft/med pink	mild	1.5 x 1.5
Child's Play	creamy pink	fruity	2 x 2
Green Ice	white	mild	1.5 x 1.5
Red Cascade (climber)	blood red	light	1-1.5 x 5

Groundcover Roses

Magic Carpet	mauve blend	strong	1.5-4 x 3-6
Magic Meidiland	medium pink	mild	2 x 3
Carefree Delight	carmine pink	light	3 x 4
Flower Carpet Red	red	mild	2 x 2
Flower Carpet Appleblossom	light pink	mild	2 x 2
Fire Meidiland	fire engine red	none	2-3 x 3
White Meidiland	white	mild	1 x 5
Flower Carpet White	white	mild	2 x 2