

Mill Pond Flower Farm

Rose Growing for Cut Flowers

Rose Varieties

We've tried a range of varieties, some have done well, some less so, some are lovely in the garden but don't cut well. The roses on the list below have been tried and tested here over a few seasons. We're adding to the rose selection all the time, but it takes two full seasons or more to really be confident that they will perform well. There aren't many that are bright as unfortunately we find our orders are more usually for paler colours.

Name	Colour	Habit	Productivity	Outside	Protection	Thorniness	Notes
Chicago Peace	Bicolour Starts off bright peach/pink, opens & fades to pale peach/pink	Very upright, straight stems usually topped with single bloom	Good		✓	1	Large blooms, very blousy when fully open.
Stephen Rulo	Brown Beige with undertones of lilac	Gently curved stems	Moderate		✓	2	The most unusual coloured rose we have. Really beautiful.
Koko Loko	Brown Pinky brown	Light, curved stems	Moderate only		✓	1	Poor plants. Very unusual colour but not a great performer
Blue Moon	Lilac Pale lilac	Slender stems, upright shape	Good		✓	1	
Hot Chocolate	Orange Smoky orange/red	Strong upright stems. Nicely furled	Moderate	✓	✓	3	Really unusual and beautiful
Port Sunlight	Peach Pale orangey peach	Arching, lax stems. Quite slim.	Good		✓	1	Smaller blooms, quite delicate
Ghislaine de Feligonde	Peach	Rambler, well behaved	Good	✓		2	Clusters of small delicate blooms

	Apricot fading to off white						
Schoolgirl	Peach	Climber, vigorous	Good	✓		2	
Lady Marmalade	Peach Clean coral peach	Upright, straight stems	Good	✓	✓	3	
Phyllis Bide	Peach Apricot flushed peach	Rambler	Good	✓	✓	2	Quick to grow
Lady Emma Hamilton	Peach tipped with bronze	Large shrub	Good	✓	✓	2	
Queen of Sweden	Pink Pale Pink	Long straight stems, very upright, narrow grower	Good		✓	1	Flowers are very upright & cup shaped, catch the rain if grown outside
Albertine	Pink Pale Pink	Rambler, very vigorous, grows really quickly	Excellent	✓		2	Generally one single flush
Queen Elizabeth	Pink Pale Pink	Strong upright healthy grower, good clusters of flowers	Excellent	✓		2	Very uniform colour
England's Rose	Pink Mid Pink	Very shrubby shape, wider than tall	Excellent	✓	✓	3	Very thorny
Strawberry Hill	Pink Mid Pink	Lax stems, tall and roaming shape, closer to a climber	Moderate		✓	1	
Pink Perpetue	Pink Mid Pink	Climber, sturdy stems	Good	✓		3	Quite thorny

You're Beautiful	Pink Mid Pink	Shrubby shape, relaxed stems	Good	✓	✓	2	Clusters of large blooms
Elizabeth of Glamis	Pink Pastel coral pink	Cup shaped blooms, upright stems	Light	✓	✓	2	Very prolific
Darcy Bussell	Pink Deep Pink/Burgundy	Tall, slim shape	Excellent		✓	2	Always the first to flower, prolific bloomer
Fragrant Delight	Pink Pinky peach	Tall straight but branching stems	Excellent		✓	2	Dark foliage and stems. Great scent.
City of Leeds	Pink Rich pinky red	Small cup shaped blooms	Moderate	✓	✓	2	
Deep Secret	Pink Deep rich pink	Medium size Huge velvety blooms	Strong	✓	✓	2	
Bonica	Pink Mid pink,	Small densely petalled blooms	Good	✓	✓	2	
Ballerina	Pink Pink on white background	Large clusters of small single flowers.	Excellent	✓	✓	2	This is sold as a ground cover rose. It is prolific and produces long arching stems over the whole season and stems of delightful small rosehips. No scent.
Princess Alexandra of Kent	Pink Muted rich pink	Large shrub	Good	✓	✓	2	Lovely colour and good rain tolerance
Prima Ballerina	Pink Rich bright pink	Upright, modest shrub	Modest	✓	✓	2	
Tranquility	White Creamy white	Tall, upright, arching stems	Excellent		✓	1	Larger blooms when fully open
Silver Wedding	White Pale green buds	Straight stems	Moderate		✓	1	Very soft petals, easily affected by dampness

Claire Austen	White Creamy white	More of a climber than a bush/shrub. Needs good support	Moderate	✓	✓	1	
Champagne Moments	White Rich Cream	Upright, long straight stems with good clusters of flowers	Good		✓	2	Really luxurious feeling petals
Crocus Rose	White Cream with blush	Slender, arching stems	Good	✓	✓	2	Beautiful shape and good outside
Iceberg	White Cool white	Slim stems, simple blooms	Excellent	✓	✓	1	Slight perfume, opens quickly from bud
Pascali	White Cold white	Sturdy stems, straight	Moderate		✓	1	
Golden Celebrations	Yellow Deep rich gold	Large shrub or climber, sturdy stems, very vigorous	Excellent	✓	✓	1	Best performer, large flowers and lots of them
Graham Thomas	Yellow Clear Yellow	Climber or shrub, slender stems	Moderate		✓	2	
Peace	Yellow Rich yellow fading to pale	Strong upright shape, long stems	Good		✓	1	Lovely scent
Arthur Bell	Yellow Rich golden yellow	Modest sized shrub rose	Good	✓	✓	2	
Picadilly	Yellow Bi coloured yellow/orange	Upright with straight stems	Good	✓	✓	3	

