

ROSES

2026



Every year Acer Gardens improves and extends its rose selections, using both own-root and budded varieties. We carefully select and grow varieties that are disease resistant and completely hardy in the Connecticut landscape.

All roses need at least 6+ hours of sun during the growing season and rich, loamy, well-drained soil. Apply slow-release or organic fertilizers once or twice during the growing season and water deeply once a week. Avoid splashing leaves while watering. Mulching helps roots stay cool. Prune off spent blooms regularly.

Climbing Roses

Climbing roses grow long, arching canes. When properly trained and tied, they climb fences, walls, arbors, and pergolas. Support is necessary to prevent flopping and encourage superior bloom.

'Arborose Florentina'



Clusters of bright red flowers on glossy, disease-resistant foliage.
Size: 7' tall x 3' wide.

'Arborose Kiss Me Kate'



Extremely fragrant, medium pink blooms. Dark green foliage with excellent disease resistance.
Size: 10' tall x 4' wide.

'Cherry Frost'

NEW 2026



Clusters of small, dark red flowers. with light fragrance on hardy canes. Dark green, semi-glossy foliage. Repeat bloomer with superior disease resistance. Very cold hardy.
Size: 6 1/2' tall .

'Colette'

NEW 2026



Heirloom look with modern disease resistance. Highly fragrant, 3½" soft pink blooms on vining stems. Flush begins in May and continues until frost. Size: 7-10' tall.

'Eden Climber'



Repeat blooms of soft pink with dark green glossy foliage. Old-fashioned climber. Excellent cold-hardiness and disease resistance.

Size: 10-12' tall.

'Eden Climber White' **NEW 2026**



Pure white sport of 'Eden' with subtle blush in cool weather. Repeat bloomer with old-fashioned blooms on disease-resistant foliage.

Size: 10-12' tall.

'New Dawn'



Hardy, classic climber with clusters of medium blush pink flowers. Repeat blooming and vigorous. Blooms on new and old wood. Strongly fragrant.

Size: 18-20'.

'Zepherine Drouhin'



Heirloom Bourbon rose with cerise-pink, strongly fragrant blooms. Nearly thornless stems. Blooms in spring and fall. Size: 8-10'.

Floribunda Roses

Floribundas are crosses between polyantha and tea roses. Compact shrubs producing abundant blooms on multi-flowered stems. Often highly fragrant.

'Bolero'



White blooms with strong fragrance of traditional rose and tropical fruit. Compact with dark green, disease-resistant foliage.

Size: 3-4' tall x 2-3' wide.

'Candy Cane Cocktail'



Bi-colored white blooms edged deep pink to red. Semi-glossy foliage. Excellent disease resistance. Repeat bloomer. Size: 3½-4' tall.

'Julia Child'



Butter-gold double blooms with sweet licorice scent. Rounded plant, great for cutting gardens. Heat tolerant. Winner AARS 2006. Size: 3' tall.

'Leonardo de Vinci' **NEW 2026**



Medium-sized, double pink blooms with old-fashioned form. Bushy habit with excellent repeat bloom. Size: 5' tall x 3' wide.

'Marmalade Skies'

NEW 2026



Large clusters of tangerine-orange blooms on a compact, everblooming plant.

All-American Rose Selection.
Size: 3' x 3'.

'Orchid Romance'



Medium to dark pink double flowers with lavender undertones. Strong citrus scent.

Size: 4½' tall x 3' wide.

'Sunbelt Desmond Tutu' NEW 2026



Large, deep red flowers in clusters and singles all season. Excellent cut flower. Glossy, disease-resistant foliage.

International Award Winner.
Size: 3' x 3'.

'Sunbelt Plum Perfect'



Large, intensely plum-colored double blooms. Non-fading and reblooming. Light fragrance. Strong resistance to black spot.

Size: 2½' tall x 1½' wide.

'Sunsprite'

NEW 2026



Bright yellow clusters rebloom all season. Strongly fragrant with excellent disease resistance.

Size: 2-3' tall x 2' wide.

Rose Problems?

Prevent disease with INFUSE, treat with ROSE Rx and feed with ROSE-TONE.



Grandiflora Roses

Grandiflora roses are hardy crosses between floribunda and hybrid tea roses. Large blooms on long stems make excellent cut flowers.

'Gold Struck'



Golden yellow blooms sometimes suffused with orange. Excellent disease resistance.

Size: Up to 5½' tall.

'Queen Elizabeth'



Classic pink blossoms with slight fragrance. Upright grandiflora with glossy foliage. Excellent for cutting.

All-American Rose Selection.
Size: 5-7' tall.

Landscape Roses

Landscape roses encompass a wide variety of hardy, easy-care shrub roses that don't fit in other established rose classes. These are great to stand alone or in a border.

'Bonica'



Shell pink blooms from spring until frost. Deep green glossy foliage. Tough, vigorous, and spreading.
Size: 3-5' tall x 4½-5' wide.

'Colorscape Lemon Fizz' **NEW 2026**



Brilliant semi-double yellow non-fading blossoms. Excellent disease and drought tolerance.
Size: 3-4' tall x 2-3' wide.

'Icecap'



Dense flushes of pure white blooms from pale pink buds. Dark green disease-resistant foliage.
Size: 2½' tall x 3½' wide.

'The Fairy'



Clusters of 1½" bubble-gum pink blooms from summer to frost. Light apple fragrance. Very hardy and vigorous.
Size: 2-4' tall and wide.

'Tequila'



Apricot-orange blooms fading to light yellow. Mounding habit, very lightly scented. Excellent for hot, dry environments.
Size: 2-3' tall x 3-4' wide.

Other Roses Available
Throughout the Season
Beach Roses (*Rosa rugosa*)

Drift® Roses

Knock-out® Roses in various colors