

GETTING STARTED WITH ROSES

There are thousands of roses which are named by classification and type, There are 37 classes of roses recognized by the American Rose Society, and in these classes, there are 18 defined colors, and divisions by name, color, petal count, etc..

In the Handbook for Selecting Roses, more than 3,000 roses are listed. The Handbook gives the reader a start on understanding this wide ranging subject.

Many people who buy roses do so without understanding the basic characteristics of the rose, how to plant it, feed it, the rating of the rose, and even the grading of a bare root rose, or even why this is important to know. You can use the grading system plus the Roses In Review Ratings in the Handbook for Selecting Roses; together, to make a better selection for your purchase of a bare root rose.

Of course, there are other considerations for selecting or buying a rose, planting your roses, and the care & maintenance of your roses; that's where your Consulting Rosarians can help you, Horticulture Judges and Arrangement Judges can help you, and even the Photography Judges can help you because they are all experienced rose growers, and they gladly will get the answers you want and need, and they'll help you without any charges or fees. You can learn a lot with a visit to a local rose society near you.