

Organic Rose Garden



Come see the animals in our gardens!



Welcome to an earth friendly rose garden. Great soil preparation with lots of compost, organic fertilizers, soaker irrigation, and disease resistant varieties prove that roses *can* be grown in the Norfolk region without chemical life support.

FRONT ROW (ALONG THE ROAD): 'FLOWER CARPET ROSE':

- RED, PINK, WHITE, tough groundcover roses
- TREE TOPIARY 'ELECTRIC BLANKET'—(coral/pink floribunda)

2ND ROW

LEFT SIDE: GRIFFITH BUCK ROSES- Hybridized in Iowa for cold hardiness by ISU horticulture Professor Griffith Buck. Many of his selections have proven to be disease resistant, too.

- NIGHT SONG - (dark red, 3-4'x3', fragrant) - 2
- AUNT HONEY- (medium pink, 3-5' ht) - 3
- PEARLIE MAE- (light, apricot blend, grandiflora, 5'+ x 4') - 3
- PRAIRIE SUNRISE - (apricot blend, 3'+) - 3
- GOLDEN UNICORN - (light orange/yellow blend, 3-4') - 3
- PRAIRIE STAR- (very light yellow, 3-5') - 3

UPPER ROW: SHRUBS

- 'FLOWER CARPET ROSE': YELLOW, and CORAL

RIGHT SIDE: GRIFFITH BUCK ROSES

- 'JOSEPH F.LAMB' - (dark red, shrub, 3-4'x3-4', fragrant) - 2
- 'QUIETNESS' - (light pink, shrub, 4'x3-4', fragrant) - 2
- 'EARTH SONG' - (medium pink, grandiflora, 5.5x8.5') - 3
- 'HONEY-SWEET'- (orange/pink, grandiflora, 4-6' x 3') - 3
- 'FOLKSINGER' - (yellow blend, shrub, 6x8.5') - 3
- 'WINTER SUNSET' - (yellow/amber blend, shrub, 3.5 x 3.5') - 3
- 'PRAIRIE HARVEST'- (light yellow, shrub, upright 5 x 3') - 3

UPPER ROW:

RUGOSAS: Cold hardy, salt tolerant, and hate pesticides, fungicides, and that blue liquid fertilizer. Fragrant and have great hips (rose seed pods).

- 'BLANC DOUBLE DU COUBERT' (white, 5')-3
- 'SHOWY PAVEMENT'- (candy pink)-
- 'PURPLE PAVEMENT'- (violet-pink) – 2
- 'SNOW PAVEMENT'- (white w/ mauve tint) – 2
- 'SCARLET PAVEMENT'- (dark, hot pink) – 2, center of the bed

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3RD ROW

LEFT SIDE: EARTH KIND SELECTIONS: These roses have been through vigorous testing at Texas A&M to prove their resistance to pests and diseases and their reliable performance in various landscape conditions.

- 'PERLE D'OR'- (Small, light, pink)- 2
- 'CALDWELL PINK'- (light, lilac pink, 3 x 4', sp 4') – 3
- 'CAREFREE BEAUTY'- (shrub, medium pink, 5'x 5') - 2

UPPER ROW

DAVID AUSTIN ROSES, EARTHKIND: David Austin's English Roses combine the forms and fragrances of old roses with the repeat flowering of modern roses.

- 'ABRAHAM DARBY'- (David Austin, peachy-pink, 5' ht) -3
- 'CAREFREE BEAUTY'- (also a Griffith Buck rose, shrub, medium pink, 5'x 5')-1
- 'SPICE'- (China, light pink, 4 x 4')- 3
- 'THE FAIRY'- (polyantha, light pink, 3' x 4')- 1
- 'MUTABILIS' - (China, yellow/coral/pink multi-color, 5x5')

RIGHT SIDE

EARTH KIND

- 'PERLE D'OR'-(polyantha, light pink, 3-4') - 2
- 'SOUVENIR DE ST.ANNE'S' - (bourbon, light pink, 4'x4', fragrant) - 3

UPPER ROW

DAVID AUSTIN ROSES, EARTHKIND

- 'HERITAGE'- (David Austin, light pink, 4'+ x 4')- 3
- 'DUCHESS DU BRABANT' - (tea, light pink, 4'x3')- 3
- 'BELINDA'S DREAM'- (shrub, medium pink, 5'x5')- 3
- 'THE FAIRY'- (polyantha, light pink, 3' x 4') - 1

CENTER CIRCLE

- 'DRIFT PEACH' - (small shrub, peach 2'x2')
- 'DRIFT RED' - (small shrub, scarlet red 2'x2')

BED 9 "OLD FRIENDS AND FAMILY": Varieties locally recommended and often shared by friends of the Zoo

- 'CECILE BRUNNER'-(light pink, 3-4') plant at ends of rows, 1 of 4
- 'EXCELLENZ VON SCHUBERT'- (dark pink, open habit, 3-5', sp 4') - 3
- 'MRS. B.R. CANT'- (dark pink, 5-8' x 8' possible, sp5') – 3, planted in corner
- "REDFERN ROSE" – shared by an old Norfolk family, variety unknown
- 'CECILE BRUNNER'-(light pink, 3-4') plant at ends of rows, 1 of 4

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BED 10- “OLD FRIENDS AND FAMILY”

- ‘CECILE BRUNNER’- (light pink, 3-4’) plant at ends of rows, 1 of 4
- ‘LOUIS PHILIPPE’- (crimson, 3-5’ ht, sp 4’) - 3
- ‘MAGGIE’- (crimson, 4-7’ht, sp 4-5’) – 3 planted in corner
- “GILL’S ROSE”- shared by a long-time Zoo volunteer, variety unknown
- ‘CECILE BRUNNER’- planted at ends of rows, 1 of 4

BED 11 AND 12- KNOCK OUT™ ROSES

- In bloom from May to December. No spraying, no dead heading, no fancy pruning, no kidding!
- ‘BLUSH’- (pale pink)- 2
- ‘PINK’- (medium pink)- 2
- ‘RED’- (red)- 2 to corner, 2 coming across, total 4
- ‘PINK’- 3
- ‘BLUSH’ -2

Websites:

For more information on varieties and organic products:

- www.antiqueroseemporium.com
- www.gardensalive.com
- www.goodearthrosecare.com
- www.heirloomroses.com
- www.rosesunlimiteddownroot.com
- www.chambleeroses.com