

Climber/rambler: This category includes roses from any class that is characterized by long, arching canes that can be trained onto fences, trellises, arbors, and pergolas. They are not really a class unto themselves. Thus, you can see a grandiflora rose described as a climber. Climber or ramblers are not clinging, twining plants; they must be tied to their vertical supports to grow upward.

Grandiflora: Hybrids of floribundas and hybrid teas, grandiflora roses were fashionable during the 20th century and today. They are tall, vigorous, hardy shrubs that have large, showy flowers with rolled-under petals similar to hybrid teas. Like floribundas, they grow in clusters and are reliable repeat bloomers.

Miniature: A "miniature" rose is essentially a shorter, more compact form of hybrid tea or grandiflora rose with equally compact flowers usually growing to no more than 15 to 30 inches tall.

Polyantha Climbing: These roses are perfect for the garden or containers. The small bushes, covered in bunches of tiny flowers in white, pink, or red, were developed by crossing two species of roses, *Rosa chinensis* and *Rosa multiflora*. Polyanthas bloom prolifically from summer to fall, and are disease resistant and easy to maintain. The climbing variety are perfect for porches & patios where you may want a climbing rose but you don't want it to take over.

Floribunda: Floribundas are small, bushy, easy-to-grow roses that present lavish flower clusters from spring to the first frost. Their flower color varies with the cultivar, and they are fairly hardy and disease resistant. Floribundas are excellent in mass plantings and are often seen in public and commercial spaces, in addition to home gardens.

Hybrid tea: Hybrid teas were created from hybrid perpetuals and tea roses, and have qualities of both. They are important in the floral industry, as their long, upright stems and large, regal blooms make them perfect cut flowers. Hybrid teas were the most popular roses of the 20th century because of their elegance, fragrance, and spring-to-fall flowering. They are one of the most common rose types to see in landscaping.

Shrub: Roses in this category are easily recognized by their sprawling growth habit. They can grow from 5 to 15 feet in all directions. And they are notable for their cold hardiness and vigorous production of flower clusters.