

David Austin

ENGLISH ROSES

DAVID AUSTIN'S ENGLISH ROSES.

The English Roses form a comparatively new group of roses that first came to prominence in the 1970s. They originate from crosses made between certain Old Roses and Modern Hybrid Teas and Floribundas.

English Roses combine the delicate charm and fragrance of an Old Rose with the wide colour range and repeat flowering of a Modern Rose.

DELICIOUS FRAGRANCES.

English Roses are notable not only for the charm and beauty of their flowers and their elegant growth, but also for their rich and varying fragrances. In this respect, they are second to none. Among them, in their different varieties, you will find not only the beautiful Old Rose fragrance, but the Tea Rose fragrance, the Musk Rose fragrance, the fragrance of myrrh and of many different fruits - and a whole variety of other fragrances; indeed no group of flowers, of any kind, can rival them in this respect.

They are also

THE PERFECT FLOWER ARRANGER'S ROSE.

"Roses have one of the most complex, widely ranging perfumes of all flowers. The weather conditions on the day before the rose opens, the age of the flower, the season and even the time of day all influence the fragrance of an individual bloom".

(David Austin)



Graham Thomas

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A SHROPSHIRE LAD (Ausled)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1996. 5ft plus

Lovely soft peachy blush pink flowers of a slightly cupped rosette formation, with a deliciously fruity fragrance in the Tea Rose tradition.

This rose will form a large vigorous shrub for a position towards the back of the border. 5ftx5ft.

It will also form a superb climber of 8ft or more with a bit of support.

Will tolerate a North wall and will cope with partial shade.

An extremely tough and reliable healthy rose which is almost thornless.



Essential reading for all English Rose enthusiasts.

'The English Roses' by David Austin.

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ABRAHAM DARBY (Auscot)

English Shrub Rose. 1985. 5ft plus

Lovely large peony shaped blooms in shades of pink apricot and yellow.

A strong growing shrub which can also be grown as a small climber.

Good repeat flowering on an excellent vigorous bush.

A rich fruity fragrance with a refreshing sharpness,

Makes a lovely cut flower as the blooms last well in water.

Named after one of the founders of the Industrial Revolution.



Also known as 'Abraham' 'Country Darby' 'Candy Rain'

ALAN TITCHMARSH (Ausjive)

English Shrub Rose. 2005 2ft-3ft

No need to tell you who this lovely rose is named after.

Large deeply cut blooms in a warm glowing pink colour. Will grow into a large shrub with an elegant arching habit. As with most of the "English" roses this new variety has a superb old rose fragrance.

Looks sure to be as popular as the man himself.

This rose raised money in 2005 for the charity 'Greenfingers' who create gardens for Children's Hospices.



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BARBARA AUSTIN (Austop)

English Shrub Rose. 1997. 3ft.

A charming rose of true "Old Rose character. The flowers are of a rather informal rosette shape and of the most delicate blush pink colouring. These are held on a shrubby, twiggy plant that is upright at first but gradually arches over.

The first flush of flowers is extremely generous but later in the summer is more sporadic. An extremely healthy rose with a strong fragrance of an interesting combination of soft Old Rose and lilac.

Named after the sister of David Austin.



BENJAMIN BRITTEN (Ausencart)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1996. 5ft plus

An unusual colour among English Roses.

It starts as a very deep, almost salmon pink which then changes to an intense pink-red. Deeply cut flowers gradually develop into an open, slightly cupped rosette.

'Benjamin Britten' is a useful rose to provide a highlight among the softer shades of most English Roses. It is of medium height, vigorous, with dense growth and excellent foliage. In warmer climates it can easily be trained as a climber. Very good in all climates, winning the best climbing award in Adelaide.

The fragrance is intensely fruity, with aspects of wine and pear drops.

Named to commemorate the life and work of the famous English composer, conductor and performer.



BROTHER CADFAEL (Ausglobe)

English Shrub Rose. 1990. 4ft.

Looking for big flowers, look no further.

Large, globular clear pink flowers, almost like peonies.

These are never clumsy and are nicely held on a substantial shrub, with flowers, leaves and growth all in proportion.

There is a particularly strong and rich Old Rose fragrance, similar to some of the old Bourbon Roses.

Named after the monastic sleuth created by Edith Pargeter, who wrote under the name Ellis Peters. The Brother Cadfael books were set in Shropshire.



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BUTTERCUP (Ausband)

English Shrub Rose. 1998. 4ft-5ft.

This variety has much of the grace and elegant of the beautiful 'Windflower'.

Its flowers are held on long slender, quite upright stems and nod gracefully to give a most pleasing affect.

They are loosely cupped and semi-double, their colour being a lovely deep yellow.

A superb and very healthy garden shrub that associates beautifully with other plants.

There is a strong, delicious scent reminiscent of orange blossom.



CARIAD (Auspanier)

English Shrub Rose. 2010. 4ft-5ft

A new large, airy shrub rose with dainty, grey-green foliage.

The flowers, which are held on long thin, wiry stems, are a soft rose pink and semi-double in form.

They open to provide us with an almost camellia-like bloom which is most pleasing.

Early in the summer the fragrance is myrrh with a touch of tea at the bud stage, becoming a spicy musk when open. Later in the season the musky scent of the stamens is more in

evidence, with elements of orange peel and almonds.

An ideal garen shrub that will mingle naturally with other plants in the mixed border.

Disease resistance is excellent.

The name 'Cariad' is Welsh for 'Love'



CHARLES AUSTIN. (Ausfather)

English Rose. 1973. 4ft-5ft

Another beautiful David Austin rose.

The blooms come in various shades of apricot on a tall upright plant.

This one is loved by flower arrangers.

Needs severe pruning to stop it becoming too leggy.

Strong Fresh Fruit Fragrance.

Bred by David Austin and named in honour of his father.

Also known as 'Charming Apricot'



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CHARLES DARWIN (Auspeet)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2003. 4ft plus.

A new addition to our English Rose section.

Very full, large flowers that are deeply cupped at first, gradually becoming shallower.

They are a deep, rich yellow tending almost towards mustard and have a strong and delicious fragrance that varies between soft floral Tea and pure lemon.

A sturdy, healthy shrub for the border.

Named after the naturalist who was born in Shropshire.



CHARLOTTE (Ausoly)

English Shrub Rose. 1993. 2ft-3ft

Soft yellow and beautifully arranged deeply cupped blooms. A little smaller than the usual David Austin rose but is a superb little rose.

Repeat flowers extremely well and is very highly recommended.

The growth is compact, bushy and rather upright.

All in all one of the most beautiful of the English Roses, and also for areas with particularly cold winters, one of the hardiest.

It has a delicious Tea Rose fragrance.



CLAIRE AUSTIN (Ausprior)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2007. 4ft-5ft

There is something a little special about white roses - they are all purity and light - and yet really good white roses are rare among English Roses and indeed all other groups of roses.

'Claire Austin' bears pleasingly cupped buds of pale lemon shade which gradually open to form large, creamy-white flowers of typical English Musk delicacy; their petals are perfectly arranged in concentric circles, with a few more loosely arranged in the centre.

They have a strong fragrance based on myrrh with dashes of meadowsweet, vanilla and heliotrope.

It forms an elegant, arching shrub with plentiful, medium green foliage. It is a strong and particularly healthy rose.

Undoubtedly the finest white English rose to date.

Can also be grown as a short climber to around 8ft.



Claire Austin is David Austin's daughter.

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CLAIRE ROSE. (Auslight)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1986. 3ft-5ft plus

Large soft pink to blush white flowers adorn a bush with pale green foliage.

The perfect blooms open flat and slightly quartered and are quite beautiful. Flowers throughout the season

A lovely shrub rose that would grace any rose garden.

Scented.

David Austin named this lovely rose for his daughter, Claire Calvert



CROCUS ROSE. (Ausquest)

English Shrub Rose. 2000. 4ft-5ft

This is a very robust and free flowering rose, bearing large, rosette shaped flowers that are cupped at first, the petals later reflexing.

The colour is apricot, paling to cream on the outer petals, the whole flower paling to cream with age.

The blooms are produced very freely in large clusters, elegantly poised on the end of slightly arching stems.

Is also shade tolerant.

They have a delightful Tea Rose fragrance.

Named for "The Crocus Trust".



Also known as 'Emanuel'

CROWN PRINCESS MARGARETA. (Auswinter)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2000. 5ft plus

With vigorous growth and arching habit this variety needs plenty of room. The superb large apricot-orange blooms are quite stunning, and there are plenty of them.

Being a member of the Leander Group of roses it is very reliable and will thrive even under more rigorous conditions and will also cope with partial shade.

As always with the David Austin range the perfume is quite exquisite.

With support can also be grown as a climber.

Named after Princess Margaret of Connaught 1882-1920 who was the grand daughter of Queen Victoria and an accomplished landscape gardener.



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DARCEY BUSSELL (Ausdecorum)

English Shrub Rose. 2006. 3ft .

'Darcey Bussell' is believed to be one of the best and healthiest English red roses to date.

The flowers are not excessively large, but are produced freely and with excellent continuity. When young, their outer petals form a perfect ring, later developing into a beautiful rosette.

The colour is a deep rich crimson that takes on a tinge of mauve just before the petals drop.

It has a pleasing, fruity fragrance with just a hint of green.

This rose with its short, bushy growth, is an excellent shrub for the front of the border, for planting in formal rose beds or for a large container.

Named for Darcey Bussell the highly acclaimed ballerina.



EGLANTYNE (Ausmak)

English Shrub Rose. 1994. 3ft-4ft.

One of the most beautiful of the English roses.

Perfectly formed soft pink flowers: the petals turning up a little at the edges to form an almost saucer like shape. The growth is ideal, being of a medium height, bushy and twiggy with nice foliage and pretty healthy.

Sweetly scented with a charming and delicate old rose fragrance.

Ideal for cutting and will last well in water.

Named after Eglantyne Jebb a charitable Shropshire lady who founded the Save The Children Fund during the time of the first world war.



ENGLAND'S ROSE (Auslauge)

English Shrub Rose. 2010. 4ft

A new English rose which is a particularly tough and reliable variety of medium size, with flowers of deep glowing pink. They are shallowly cupped at first; the outer petals eventually reflexing back and revealing an attractive button eye.

'England's Rose' flowers more or less continually from June right through until the end of the season, in October or even November.

The blooms are nicely held in large clusters. This is a healthy weather resistant rose, even in periods of continual rain the blooms do not ball and the petals drop cleanly.

It will form an attractive, bushy shrub of about 4ft in height and 3ft across, although it could easily grow taller if pruned lightly.

An ideal variety for planting in a rose border or for mixing with perennials.

The fragrance is particularly fine; strong warm and spicy with a classic Old Rose character.



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EVELYN (Aussaucer)

English Shrub Rose. 1991. 3ft-4ft plus

Particularly large, apricot and pink flowers of shallow, saucer like formation, with numerous petals which gradually re-curve to form a rosette shape. Needs a good fertile soil to perform well in the UK but a bit of TLC pays off handsomely. It has a wonderful fragrance similar in style to an Old Rose, but with a sumptuous fruity note reminiscent of fresh peaches and apricot.

Named for Crabtree & Evelyn who used it in their range of rose perfumes.



FALSTAFF ((Ausverse)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1999. 3ft-5ft

Another lovely rose from David Austin with that old fashioned look. Beautiful dark crimson/purple blooms on a strong vigorous bush. The blooms emerge as a dark crimson colour, eventually turning to a most pleasing shade of rich purple.

David Austin believes that this lovely rose is one of the best purple/crimson varieties he has bred.

Has a powerful Old Rose fragrance.

With support can also be grown as a short climber.

Named after a character in Shakespeare's 'Henry 1V'



GENTLE HERMIONE (Ausrumba)

English Shrub Rose. 2005. 4ft

Perfectly formed flowers of true Old Rose character. Lovely soft blush pink petals on the outside with pure pink at the centre.

An attractive shrub rose of medium height and the blooms are particularly resistant to rain.

A strong classic old rose perfume with a hint of myrrh.

Hermione was the faithful wife of Leontes, the King of Sicilia and mother of Perdita in Shakespeare's "The Winter's Tale"



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GEOFF HAMILTON (Ausham)

English Shrub Rose. 1997. 4ft.

Lovely cupped blooms of warm soft pink with the outer petals fading to white.

Good long flowering period right through summer and autumn. . The foliage is long and matt green. A very desirable rose.

There is a light Old Rose fragrance with a hint of apple.

Named after the late Geoff Hamilton the very popular television gardener.



GERTRUDE JEKYLL (Ausbord)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1986. 4ft-5ft

A sister to 'The Countryman' with stronger, more upright growth.

Perfect little scrolled buds expand rather surprisingly into quite large rosette-shaped flowers of beautiful Old Rose character and rich pink colouring.

The growth is tall and vigorous, making it perhaps more suitable for middle or the back of the border, although easy access should be allowed to appreciate the particularly strong, superb and perfectly balanced Old Rose fragrance, the quintessential rose fragrance.

Very healthy and reliable and is also tolerant of partial shade.

It can also be grown as a short climber.

Winner of the James Mason Award in 2002 and voted the nation's favourite rose by BBC viewers in 2006.

Highly Recommended. Outstanding Perfume.

Named after the famed English writer and garden designer (1843-1932)



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GLAMIS CASTLE (Auslevel)

English Shrub Rose. 1992. 3ft.

Pure white, cupped shaped flowers of typical Old Rose character. Its growth is quite short and bushy with numerous twiggy branches, upon which the flowers are borne freely. It has an English Rose, myrrh fragrance, Glamis Castle is the childhood home of the late Queen Mother and the legendary setting off Shakespeare's play Macbeth. David Austin considers this lovely rose to be one of his best white roses.



GOLDEN CELEBRATION (Ausgold)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1992. 3ft-4ft plus

One of the largest-flowered and the most magnificent of the English Roses, and certainly among the best.

Excels in all respects and all climates. Its colour is rich golden yellow, and the flowers are in the form of giant cups.

It has excellent shapeley growth, forming a nicely rounded but slightly arching shrub with ample foliage.

The flowers are initially Tea scented but often develop a wonderful combination of Sauterne wine and strawberry.

Winner of the Best Shrub and Most Fragrant Variety at the Rose Awards Day at the Royal National Rose Society in 2000.

In warm climates can be grown as a small climber and is also tolerant of partial shade. Makes a wonderful gift for that Very Special Anniversary.



GRACE (Auskeppy)

English Shrub Rose. 2001. 3ft-6ins

This superb rose is a real eye-catcher.

An excellent variety with flowers of a lovely pure apricot - darker in the middle, paler towards the edges, a colour that blends well with other shades, especially dark reds and purples.

The blooms are shallowly cupped at first, slowly opening to form a perfect rosette with the outer petals reflexed.

It forms a good, branching shrub that is very healthy and repeat flowers extremely well. In every way, an excellent garden plant.

A delicious Tea fragrance with a warm sensuous background.

Winner of several awards.

One of our favourite roses.



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GRAHAM THOMAS (Ausmas)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1983. 5ft plus

We planted a bed of “English Roses” over 20 years ago and they are all still going strong, especially “Graham Thomas”. “Graham Thomas” was among one of the earlier varieties and is certainly one of the best known of the group. This more than any other variety is responsible for the popularity of the group and is now grown all around the world.

The beautiful cup shaped flowers are of medium size, and their colour is an unusually rich and pure yellow that would be hard to match even among Modern Roses. It was quite a colour break through at the time as the rich yellow was entirely missing among Old Roses. The upright growth is both bushy and vigorous and produces a large strong and handsome specimen growing to about five feet.

In recent years David Austin has re-classified many of his larger roses into Shrub/Climbers and this rose comes into that range. It can be grown as either a large shrub up to five feet, or with a little help and less pruning can be grown as a short climber around eight to nine feet. Over the years we have always grown and sold them as shrubs, but last year we grew on quite a few as climbers and they were very successful.

As usual with most of the “English Roses” the perfume is outstanding and this rose is no exception. It is described as having a fresh Tea Rose fragrance, with a cool violet character typical of its colour group. It has won many awards over the years including The Henry Edland Medal For Fragrance in 2000. The James Mason Award from the RNRS in 2000. Winner of the RHS Award Of Garden Merit, for a plant of outstanding excellence. Recently it was voted the World’s No.1 Rose by the World’s Federation Of Rose Societies, The Federation also entered the rose into the Society’s Rose Hall Of Fame, an honour shared with only thirteen other roses.



This outstanding rose was named to commemorate the man who did more than anyone in the 20th century to re-introduce old roses to their present popularity.



Graham Stuart Thomas OBE 1909-2003

Horticulturist. Artist. Author. Poet. Garden Designer.

Garden Advisor to the National Trust for over thirty years and was awarded the OBE for his work in the organisation.

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HAPPY CHILD (Auscomp)

English Shrub Rose. 1993. 3ft-4ft

Another stunning rose from the David Austin collection. Large cupped blooms of bright yellow in an old fashioned style. A good continuity of blooms throughout the summer and autumn. Shiny camellia-like mid green foliage. It was named to help raise funds for the charity Population Concern. As with most of this range it has a wonderful perfume.



HARLOW CARR (Aushouse)

English Shrub Rose. 2004. 4ft

A tough little rose that bears flowers of the most perfect formation—shallow cups of the purest rose pink. These hold their form to the end, the occasional petal falling back to give a pleasing effect. The plant has an excellent bushy habit, maturing into an attractively rounded shrub with its flowers almost to ground level. The young foliage is bronze at first, later becoming green—and the whole plant is of truly 'Old rose' character. There is a strong, pure old rose fragrance that has been described as reminiscent of rose-based cosmetics. Harlow Carr is particularly healthy and free flowering plus partial shade tolerant. Harlow Carr is the newest and most northerly of the RHS gardens in the UK? A fine display of English Roses has been created there.



HERITAGE (Ausblush)

English Shrub Rose. 1984. 4ft-5ft

Lovely peony shaped blooms of blush pink adorn this large English shrub rose. After the first flush of flowers the bush continues to show colour through summer and autumn. Has a good covering of dark green semi gloss foliage. As with most English roses the fragrance is excellent with overtones of fruit, honey and carnation on a myrrh background.

Also known as 'Roberta'



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JAMES GALWAY (Auscrystal)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2000. 5ft plus

Neat, perfectly formed flowers that are warm pink at the centre, paling to blush at the edges.

It forms a large strong healthy shrub and is excellent as a climber.

Best in full sun but will cope with a North wall situation.

Delicious Old Rose fragrance.

Flowers all summer.

Dead head regularly to promote further flowering.

Shade tolerant.

Named to celebrate the 60th birthday of the celebrated flautist.



JAYNE AUSTIN (Ausbreak)

English Shrub Rose. 1990. 3ft-4ft

Delicately refined blooms of full rosette formation, often showing a button-eye in the centre. Its colour is a pleasing soft yellow, tending a little towards apricot.

The petals have a sheeny texture which adds greatly to their charm - a characteristic they gain from a close relationship with the old Noisette Roses.

The growth is dense and branching.

It has a lovely fragrance in the Tea Rose tradition with a touch of lilac.



KEW GARDENS (Ausfence)

English Shrub Rose. 2009. 5ft.

The flowers, which are small and single, are held in very large heads rather like a hydrangea and are produced almost continuously from early summer through to the end of the season.

The young buds are soft apricot opening to pure white, with a hint of soft lemon behind the stamens.

The flowers are followed by small red hips which should be removed to encourage repeat flowering.

It is extremely healthy and completely thornless - an unusual thing among roses. It has a bushy but upright habit of growth, making it ideal for the back of the mixed border. A group of two or three or more bushes will provide a mass of white as though were covered with snow.

This rose is particularly suitable for forming a magnificent impenetrable flowering hedge.

Musk fragrance.

Named to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Kew Gardens



GOLD STANDARD AWARD WINNER 2010

KEW GARDENS

Since 2006 a few roses are selected each year for this prestigious award. Based on cumulative information from invited independent judges, the Gold Standard is awarded to worthy varieties.

Health, floriferousness, scent and commercial appeal are all considered key factors in the final choice.

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L.D.BRAITHWAITE (Auscrim)

English Shrub Rose . 1988. 3ft-4ft.

This rose has the brightest crimson colouring of all the English Roses, standing out when viewed from across the garden. It is related to 'Mary Rose' and has many of that rose's good garden qualities.

The flowers open wide and are slightly cupped. They are produced freely and with remarkable continuity.

A charming Old Rose fragrance.

Named to commemorate David Austin's father in law Leonard Dudley Braithwaite.

Also known as "Braithwaite" Leonard Dudley Braithwaite"



LADY EMMA HAMILTON (Ausbrother)

English Shrub Rose. 2006. 4ft

Quite a bright colour for an English Rose but very useful for creating a little excitement in the border.

The tight buds are a most wonderful dark red with dashes of orange.

When fully open the flowers are a lovely mixture of a rich, almost tangerine-orange with a more yellow-orange back to the petals; the whole is set off against the very dark, bronzy green leaves.

A fairly upright but bushy shrub of medium height that flowers freely and remains healthy.

A strong delicious fruity fragrance, with hints of pear, grape and citrus fruits.

Won first prize at the fragrance trials in Nantes.



Named after Horatio Nelson's lover to commemorate the Battle Of Trafalger.

LADY OF SHALOTT (Ausnyson)

English Shrub Rose. 2009. 4ft.

This new rose promises to be one of the most robust and hardy English Roses.

It is also highly resistant to disease and will bloom with unusual continuity throughout the season. An ideal rose for the inexperienced gardener.

The young buds are a rich orange-red. They open to form chalice shaped blooms, filled with loosely arranged petals. Each petal has a salmon pink underside which contrasts beautifully with the attractive golden-yellow reverse.

There is a pleasant warm Tea fragrance with hints of spiced apple and cloves.

It forms a large bushy shrub with slightly arching stems. The mid green leaves have attractive slightly bronzed tones when young.

Named for the Tennyson Society. The name is taken from one of Alfred Lord Tennyson's favourite poems of the same name. It is the 200th anniversary of his birth this year.

In the poem, the Lady Of Shalott lived in a castle close to King Arthur's Camelot and was held in a spell until she saw the reflection of Sir Lancelot in a mirror.



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MAID MARION (Austobias)

English Shrub Rose. 2010. 3ft

'Maid Marion' at its best, is considered to be one of the most superbly formed flowers in the English Rose collection.

The buds start as rounded cups with larger outer petals, enclosing numerous smaller petals within. These open to the most perfect rosette-shaped flowers in the form of a saucer; the outer petals forming a perfectly rounded rim. Their colour is a clear rose pink.

The growth is relatively upright but quite bushy and compact.

Initially the fragrance is a soft myrrh - as the flower ages it becomes more fruity with a distinct clove character.



'Maid Marion' was the companion of the mythical hero 'Robin Hood' of Sherwood Forest.

MALVERN HILLS (Auscanary)

English Shrub/Rambling Rose . 2000. 10ft-12ft.

rarity in the ramblers: a variety that repeat flowers reliably.

It bears small, fully double blooms of lovely soft yellow, in medium to large clusters.

The growth is strong and slender , with attractive healthy foliage and very few thorns.

It will easily cover an arch and will achieve 12ft on a wall or trellis.

Also suitable for growing up into a tree.

There is a delightful Noisette Rose fragrance.

Named after the beautiful Malvern Hills.



MARY ROSE (Ausmary)

English Shrub Rose. 1983. 4ft

Seems to be the most popular of all the English roses, and rightly so.

A well shaped shrub with twiggy growth and nice foliage, flowering with unusual regularity throughout the season.

It has attractive, rose pink, loose petalled flowers.

In every way a good garden plant and very reliable.

A good healthy rose which should take pride of place in any garden.

The delicious fragrance is of Old Rose character with a hint of honey and almond blossom.



Named after the flagship of Henry V111 which was raised from the Solent 400 years after it sank.

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MISS ALICE (Ausjake)

English Shrub Rose. 2000. 2ft-3ft

A beautiful little English Rose that is not as well known as it should be. A charming rose of true Old rose character with quite short but bushy and healthy growth.

The flowers are a lovely soft pink at first paling with age. Excellent for the front of a mixed border. It has a lovely rounded old rose fragrance with additional hints of Lily Of The Valley.

Named after Miss Alice de Rothschild, who created a beautiful rose garden at Waddesdon Manor (National Trust).



MOLINEUX (Ausmol)

English Shrub Rose. 1994. 2ft.

An excellent rose for bedding, although it is equally good for the border. It flowers with exceptional freedom and continuity, has even, upright growth, and little or no disease.

It does well in all climates, be it colder than the UK or much warmer.

The flowers are a rich yellow colour, tinged with orange at first.

It has a characteristic Tea Rose fragrance with a musky background.

Winner of a Gold Medal, the President's Trophy for the Best New Rose Of The Year and the Henry Edland for the Best Scented Rose at the RNRS Trials.

Named for the Wolverhampton Wanderers Football Club.



MORNING MIST (Ausfire)

English Shrub Rose. 1996. 6ft

A very striking shrub rose with large truly single flowers that are a strong shade of deep salmon pink with a large boss of red stamens.

It makes a bushy very healthy shrub which is an excellent rose for the back of the border, or somewhere in the garden where it has room to grow and show itself off.

It is repeat flowering through the season, and also bears a superb crop of large orange hips through the winter.

Good disease resistance.

A cracking showy garden rose with a pleasant clove fragrance.



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MORTIMER SACKLER (Ausorts)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2002. 6ft-8ft

A rose of rather different character from other English Roses. The medium sized, soft pink flowers start as pretty, rather pointed buds, opening to loosely double cups that are held in large, open sprays.

The growth is tall and airy, with dark, very nearly thornless stems. A dainty and extremely healthy rose for the back of the border and equally good when grown as a climber.

Will tolerate a North wall.

Lovely Old Rose fragrance with delicious hints of fruit.



The right to name this rose was auctioned on behalf of the National Trust to raise funds for their gardens.. It was bought by Mrs Sackler for her husbands birthday.

MUNSTEAD WOOD (Austingrid)

English Shrub Rose. 2007. 3ft

The flowers on this variety are light crimson in the bud but, as the centre gradually reveals itself, it becomes a very deep velvety crimson while the outer petals remain rather lighter in colour.

They are of a large size and cupped at first, becoming shallowly cupped with time.

The growth is quite bushy, forming a broad bush with good disease resistance.

The leaves are mid-green, the younger leaves being red-bronze to form a nice contrast.

There is a strong Old Rose fragrance with a fruity note. The fragrance expert Robert Calkin

describes it as 'warm and fruity with blackberry, blueberry and damson notes'.

A lovely rose which was voted 'Flower Of The Year 2009' by readers of the French magazine, Rustica. Munstead Wood is named after Gertrude Jekyll's own garden in Surrey where she worked on her many of her gardening books.



NOBLE ANTONY (Ausway)

English Shrub Rose. 1995. 2ft-3ft.

A short, bushy rose with dark foliage and flowers of a pleasing shade of deep magenta-crimson. These are full petalled, the outer petals turning back to make a most attractive, perfectly formalised, deeply domed flower.

A good choice for smaller gardens, for the front of the border and for bedding.

Its beautiful rich Old Rose scent won the prize for fragrance at the Glasgow trials.

Gets its name from a quotation in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar.



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OTHELLO (Auslo)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1986. 4ft-5ft

Large showy blooms of deep blood red turning purple with age. Repeats well.

A vigorous upright bush with good disease resistance.

A really beautiful shrub rose which is a must for all David Austin enthusiasts.

A striking and unusual rose which is very hardy with a strong rich Old Rose fragrance.

Named after Shakespeare's Moor.



PAT AUSTIN (Ausmum)

English Shrub Rose. 1995. 2ft-3ft.

This is an entirely new colour break in English Roses. A bright copper on the inside of the petals, with pale copper-yellow on the outer sides. The flowers are large and deeply cupped, the contrasting colours between the two sides of the petals giving a most attractive effect.

The growth is strong and of a similar type to 'Golden Celebration' and 'Abraham Darby'.

Strong Tea-scented with a warm, sensuous background.

Named after the late Pat Austin, David Austin's wife.

Also known as "Flame"



PRETTY JESSICA (Ausjess)

English Shrub Rose. 1983. 2ft-3ft

This lovely compact shrub has small warm pink blooms which hold their colour and form well in any weather.

Mid green foliage.

An ideal English Rose for the smaller garden.

Flowers repeatedly through the season until the first frosts.

Like most of the English roses it has a lovely Old Garden Rose Scent.

Pretty Jessica was Shylock's daughter in The Merchant Of Venice.



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PRINCESS ANNE (Auskitchen)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1996. 5ft plus

An exciting new development, stemming from an entirely new line in breeding. It has an overall character that is very different from any other rose, having its own very special beauty yet retaining the classic full petalled flowers of an English Rose.

The young flower is deep pink, almost red, gradually fading to a pure deep pink as the bloom matures. The undersides of the petals have a pleasing hint of yellow. The petals are rather narrow and unusually substantial. The growth is upright and the foliage is rather thick, succulent and highly polished, and has excellent disease resistance.

It flowers over a long period and in large clusters, the individual blooms opening in quick succession.

The compact bushy growth makes this rose ideal for borders, or a great choice for hedging.

A superb new rose with a lovely Tea Rose fragrance.

Named after Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal.



QUEEN OF SWEDEN (Austiger)

English Shrub Rose. 2004. 3ft-4ft

A rose of exceptional beauty.

An upright bushy shrub rose with superb blooms of glowing pink with hints of apricot.

An excellent bedding rose with good disease resistance and is also shade tolerant.

A good rose for cutting as the blooms last days several in water.

A light myrrh fragrance.

Named to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the treaty of friendship and commerce between Great Britain and Sweden.



ROBERTA (Ausblush)

English Shrub Rose. 1984. 4ft-5ft

Lovely paeony shaped blooms of blush pink adorn this large English shrub rose.

After the first flush of flowers the bush continues to show colour through summer and autumn. Has a good covering of dark green semi gloss foliage.

As with most English roses the fragrance is excellent with overtones of fruit, honey and carnation on a myrrh background.

Also known as 'Heritage'



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SHARIFA ASMA (Ausreef)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1996. 5ft plus

A lovely rose of true Old Rose charm. The blooms are shallowly cupped at first, the petals reflexing to form a perfect rosette.

A most delicate blush pink, fading to almost white on the outer petals.

The growth is short and upright.

A distinctive and beautiful fragrance with fruity notes reminiscent of white grapes and mulberry.

Named after a member of the Omani Royal family.



SHROPSHIRE LASS (Aus)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1968. 5ft plus

An Alba Rose hybrid, retaining much of the charm of its parent.

Large, flat, almost single flowers of the most delicate flesh pink colouring, fading gradually to white with a prominent bunch of stamens.

A robust shrub that is hardy and disease resistant, which would probably do well in less than ideal conditions.

A strong and delicious fragrance in the English Rose, myrrh tradition.

Summer flowering and also makes a superb climber.

Very hardy.

One of the earlier English Roses.



SIR WALTER RALEIGH (Ausspry)

English Shrub Rose. 1985. 3ft-4ft.

Rich crimson pink blooms when fully open show golden stamens in the centre.

The elegant blooms are borne singly with a good repeat flowering cycle.

Dark green semi-glossy foliage which has good disease resistance.

The growth is strong and bushy with large leaves in proportion with the flowers. Rather like a Tree Peony.

Superb Fragrance.



Named to commemorate the founding of the first English speaking colony in America and the English explorer and politician (1554- 1618)

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SISTER ELIZABETH (Auspalette)

English Shrub Rose. 2006. 2ft

A charming little rose of low, rounded growth, which arches and branches freely to form a neat mound. The rose pink flowers have a distinct lilac tinge and are of similar character to an Old Rose, each being a perfect rosette with a button eye at the centre.

They have a strong sweet, spicy, Old Rose fragrance.

An excellent rose for the front of the border, where it will mingle beautifully with perennials.

It is also ideal as a hedge or can be grown in a large container.

Sister Elizabeth is a Cistercian nun from the Holy Cross Abbey in Whitland, South Wales. She has long been a great rose lover.



SOPHY'S ROSE (Auslot)

English Shrub Rose. 1997. 3ft-4ft.

The broad and rather flat, rosette-shaped flowers of an attractive light red or deep pink colouring mingle well with the other colours.

The effect is a little different from other red roses, which tend to have a certain 'sameness' about them.

It repeats flowers very well and, with its upright bushy and healthy growth, is ideally suited for bedding or for the front of the border.

Excellent in both the UK and much warmer climates.

There is a lovely light Tea Rose fragrance.

Named for Dyslexia Action (formerly known as the Dyslexia Institute)



SPIRIT OF FREEDOM (Ausbite)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2002. 4ft-5ft

A beautiful rose of true Old Rose character, bearing large, very full, fragrant flowers of soft glowing pink, gradually turning to lilac pink.

The foliage is greyish-green, setting off the flowers to perfection.

A strong variety that will form either a large shrub or a short climber depending on how it is pruned and trained.

Good disease resistance.

Named for the Freedom Society.



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ST SWITHUN (Auswith)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 199. 5ft plus

Large, saucer like, flowers filled with small petals and a button eye, their colour being soft pink at the centre and the palest pink at the edges.

A beautiful rose with a tall, slightly stiff, bushy growth and smooth, greyish green foliage.

Excellent as a climber. in fact it is considered to be one of the best English Rose climbers.

It is a particularly tough, reliable and healthy rose which will also cope with a North wall.

A very strong pure myrrh fragrance which is typical of the English Roses.

St Swithun was a Saxon Bishop who is the origin of the legend that if it rains on St Swithun's feast day the rain will continue for 40 more days.

St Swithun's day if thou dost rain

For forty days it will remain

St Swithun's day if thou be fair

For forty days 'twill rain na mair

Named to commemorate the 900th anniversary of Winchester Cathedral.



STRAWBERRY HILL (Aurimini)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2006. 5ft plus.

A superb 'English Rose' with medium sized, pure rose pink, cupped rosettes of superb quality. Their colour gradually pales to a lighter pink at the edges of the petals, eventually exposing glimpses of yellow stamens at the centre. The blooms are beautiful at all stages.

A tall vigorous bush with clusters of blooms held on slightly arching branches. Can be grown as a shrub or short climber .

A very healthy rose with glossy dark green foliage and excellent disease resistance.

A strong and delicious myrrh and (heather) honey fragrance.

Makes a good cut flower.

Strawberry Hill is named to commemorate a beautiful house at Twickenham, built by Horace Walpole, the youngest son of the first British Prime Minister. The garden is currently being restored.

An excellent award winning rose.



Won the Prix d'Honneur for fragrance from Nantes in 2007.

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SUMMER SONG (Ausango)

English Shrub Rose. 2005. 5ft

This is a rose of beautiful and unusual colouring that is hard to describe, burnt orange would be one possibility- a colour that mingles well with other shades such as apricot and yellow.

The fully opened flower is cup shaped, the perfect ring of outer petals, enclosing the many inner, informally arranged petals.

It has a lovely strong, mixed scent with hints of chrysanthemum leaves, ripe bananas and tea,

It forms a bushy upright shrub that can be pruned to grow taller or shorter, according to your requirements.



SWEET JULIET (Ausleap)

English Shrub Rose. 1989. 3ft-4ft

Attractive, neatly formed and medium sized rosettes in shades of glowing apricot.

The growth, is particularly strong, sending up numerous upright branches from the base that make it suitable for further back in the border.

Reliable and disease resistant.

A delightfully fresh and strong fragrance in the Tea Rose tradition, developing a cool lemon character as the flower develops.

One of the loveliest of all the English Roses.

Named after Juliet in Shakespeare's Romeo And Juliet.



TAM O' SHANTER (Auscerise)

English Shrub Rose. 2009. 5ft-6ft

One of the essential characteristics of the English Roses is that they differ widely between one variety and another. This adds greatly to the pleasure we gain from them. Tam O' Shanter is so different that we hardly know in which group to place it.

Nonetheless, its flowers are in fact typical of an English Rose of the Old Rose group.

The growth however is long and gracefully arching; the flowers opening all along their length, rather as we might get on a Species Rose.

The individual blooms are of typical Old Rose formation, being of rosette shape. The colour is a deep cerise pink that takes on a slightly mauve shade when the flower is fully open. There is a light fruity fragrance.

This is a very healthy rose that would look very well in an informal garden or as part of a mixed border.

It was named to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Robbie Burns. Tam O'Shanter is the hero of one of his best known poems, in which he has a lucky escape from the witches having stayed too long at the inn after market day.



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TEA CLIPPER (Ausrover)

English Shrub Rose. 2006. 4ft.

The rich apricot flowers are of an informal rosette shape and nicely quartered, each with a button eye. It forms a large, bushy shrub that is almost completely without thorns and is particularly healthy.

Usually the fragrance is a lovely mix of Tea with myrrh and fruit, although sometimes it is almost pure citrus.

Named for the last and finest sailing ships, to mark the centenary of the death of Frederick Horniman, whose collection of fascinating objects from around the world is housed in the Horniman Museum.



TEASING GEORGIA (Ausbaker)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1998. 5ft plus

A yellow rose of great beauty and value.

The flowers are particularly attractive with the central petals in the form of a rich, deep yellow cup and the outer petals falling back and fading to palest yellow.

A lovely medium to strong Tea Rose fragrance.

Altogether a most reliable and excellent variety that is hardy, extremely healthy and repeats flowers well. A very refined rose.

It can also be grown as a first class short climber which will climb to about 8ft and also grow on a North wall.

Shade tolerant.

Named for Mr. Ulrich Meyer, after his wife Georgia.



Winner in 2000 of the Henry Edland Medal for the Best Scented Variety in the RNRS trials. Also won the best variety at the Pencoed Trials in South Wales where the roses are never sprayed.

TESS OF THE D'URBURVILLES (Ausmove)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1998. 4ft-5ft

Large fragrant flowers of bright crimson colouring.

They are of a nice, deeply cupped shape in the early stages; the petals turning back to give a less formal but still attractive flower.

Healthy dark green foliage.

It has a lovely Old Rose fragrance.

It can also be grown as a short climber and will probably reach 8 or 9ft.

Very useful as it can also tolerate a North wall situation.

Named after the character from Thomas Hardy's novel.



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THE ALNWICK ROSE (Ausgrab)

English Shrub Rose. 2001. 4ft

Rich pink, cupped shaped buds gradually open to a deeply cut flower, later developing into a broad, full petalled, shallow cup of soft pink which is paler at the outer edges - a most pleasing progression. The flowers are beautiful at all stages.

Good, bushy slightly upright growth flowering from early summer to the first frosts

There is a good Old Rose fragrance with just a hint of raspberry.

Another superb David Austin rose which is named after the Alnwick garden constructed by the Duke and Duchess of Northumberland which contains many English Roses.



THE COUNTRYMAN (Ausman)

English Shrub Rose. 1979. 3ft

This rose is the result of back-crossing one of the English Roses to an old Portland Rose.

'The Countryman' retains much of the character, fragrance and beauty of the latter.

The flowers are of the clearest fresh rose pink, with narrow quilled petals opening to a shapely rosette,

The growth is upright at first, but gradually arches over to form a wide bushy shrub, although the flowers continue to look upwards.

It is a particularly healthy rose and has one of the strongest and most delicious fragrances of all the English Roses.

An Old Rose perfume with strong strawberry overtones.

Highly Recommended.



THE GENEROUS GARDENER (Ausdrawn)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2002. 5ft plus

A charming rose with lovely soft glowing pink blooms shading to palest pink on the outer petals. When the petals open they expose numerous stamens, providing an almost water-lily like effect.

An extremely healthy rose with a delicious fragrance of musk and myrrh.

One of the healthiest of the English rose which can also be grown as a climber.

Will also cope with a North wall and shade.

This lovely rose was named to mark the seventy fifth anniversary of the National Gardens Scheme.



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THE MAYFLOWER (Austilly)

English Shrub Rose. 2001. 3ft-4ft

This rose represented an important breakthrough in garden roses in that it is almost completely free of disease.

It is also a most attractive variety bearing charming, medium-sized, typically Old Rose flowers of deep rose pink.

The growth is upright, bushy and twiggy with small matt green foliage.

It flowers very early in the year and continues to do so until the first frosts.

A very tough and hardy rose.

There is a strong, Old Rose fragrance.



THE PILGRIM (Auswalker)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1991. 4ft-5ft.

The Pilgrim has some of the most perfectly formed blooms. They are quite large, shallowly cupped, and rosette shaped, the colour is a medium yellow, paling towards the edges giving a softness of colour which is rare among yellow roses.

The fragrance is a delicious mix of the classic Tea scent and the English myrrh scent.

A very healthy and reliable rose.

Equally excellent when kept pruned as a relatively upright but bushy shrub or trained as a climber which should reach around 8ft or more and can also cope with a North wall.



THE SHEPHERDESS (Austwist)

English Shrub Rose. 2005. 3ft

A charming rose with flowers of medium size and deep, open-cupped shape.

Their colour is a lovely, soft apricot pink, that fades on the outer petals to pale apricot.

An upright bushy shrub that would be ideal for the front of the border or a more formal setting in a rose bed.

Lovely fruity rose fragrance with hints of lemon.

Named after the shepherdess in Sir Philip Sidney's (The Arcadia) published in 1593.



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THE WEDGWOOD ROSE (Ausjosiah)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 2009. 5ft–10ft

A new English Rose that can be grown as a large Shrub or a short Climber.

Beautiful blooms of medium to large size. The petals have a delicate, gossamer like quality ; the colour being a soft rose pink, which all adds up to a charming Old Rose effect.

The blooms have a lovely fruity fragrance on the outer petals, with a clove like scent at the centre.

The growth is exceptionally vigorous, sending up many shoots from the base and forming a large rampant shrub.

The ample foliage is dark green and glossy which sets the blooms of to perfection.

Can be grown as a large 5ft shrub, or a 10ft climber with a little training.

Named for the pottery company which was founded in 1759.



WHITE MARY ROSE 1988. 4ft

English Shrub Rose. 1988. 4ft.

A lovely sport from 'Mary Rose' with all the virtues of its parent and similar in every way, except that the flowers are white.

The overall effect is excellent, with a mass of flowers on a bushy shrub, continuing to bloom at regular intervals throughout the summer.

A delicious Old Rose fragrance with hints of honey and almond blossom which becomes much stronger in warmer weather.

Also known as "Winchester" "Winchester Cathedral"



WILD EDRIC (Aushedge)

English Shrub Rose. 2005. 4ft

This is an unusually tough, healthy and reliable rose that is excellent for borders, as well as semi-wild positions, hedges and partial shade. The flowers start as attractively pointed, purple pink buds that gradually open to a semi-double flower of deep velvety pink with shades of purple and mauve, exposing a prominent bunch of golden-yellow stamens.

The overall fragrance is strong and delicious, a combination of pure clove from the stamens and Old Rose from the petals, with hints of watercress and cucumber.

It was the 2006 winner at the Pencoed Trials in South Wales where the roses are never sprayed.



Wild Edric was a Saxon Lord from Shropshire whose ghost is still, some believe, seen riding across the hills looking for his fairy wife.

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WILD EVE (Ausbonny)

English Shrub Rose. 2003. 3ft-4ft.

This is a particularly robust and healthy rose, producing long arching branches that flower very freely.

The flower buds are blush pink at first, opening to flowers of blush touched with apricot. They have a perfect rosette shape and are distinctly quartered.

'Wild Eve' has many of the features of a good ground cover rose, combined with all the quality of flower of an English Rose. It is vigorous enough to be grown on a post and rail fence. A superb variety worthy of a prime position that will still flower well in less than ideal conditions.

Shade tolerant.

It has a pleasing fresh fragrance of medium strength.



WILLIAM MORRIS (Auswall)

English Shrub/Climbing Rose. 1998. 5ft plus.

A good strong tall and elegant rose with outstanding pink-apricot blooms. A superb rose for the back of the border or makes a cracking specimen on its own.

As with all this variety the perfume is always a delight.

(Can also be grown as a short climber)

William Morris (1834-96) was a central figure of the Pre-Raphaelite movement.



WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE 2000 (Ausromeo)

English Shrub Rose. 2000. 4ft

A rose with exquisite blooms of the richest velvety crimson, gradually to an equally rich purple.

Deeply cupped at first, the flower soon opens out to a shallow quartered cup.

The growth is neat and upright each stem bearing a number of flowers.

This rose has the strong, Old Rose fragrance that we expect, but do not always find, in deep red roses.

An outstanding English Rose with excellent disease resistance.

Named after William Shakespeare who has been voted 'Man Of The Millennium'



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WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL (Auscat)

English Shrub Rose. 1988. 4ft

A lovely sport from 'Mary Rose' with all the virtues of its parent and similar in every way, except that the flowers are white.

The overall effect is excellent, with a mass of flowers on a bushy shrub, continuing to bloom at regular intervals throughout the summer.

A delicious Old Rose fragrance with hints of honey and almond blossom which becomes much stronger in warmer weather.

Also known as "Winchester" "White Mary Rose"



WINDRUSH (Ausrush)

English Shrub Rose. 1984. 4ft

Not, perhaps, quite a typical English Rose in character.

The flowers are large, semi-double and of soft yellow colouring with plentiful yellow stamens.

Its growth is strong and bushy and its flowers are produced with exceptional freedom.

These are followed by large hips. If a good second flowering is required the spent flowers should be removed.

A strong healthy rose with good disease resistance.

There is a light and spicy musk fragrance.



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YOUNG LYCIDAS (Ausvibrant)

English Shrub Rose. 2008. 4ft.

This is a variety of classic Old Rose beauty. The flowers are quite large and deeply cupped even when fully open, the many petals arranged in a charming manner.

The colour is new to English Roses; a blend of very deep magenta, pink and red - the outer petals tending towards light purple - although this is in contrast to the outside of the petals, which are quite silvery in appearance.

It makes an attractive, bushy shrub

There is a delicious fragrance that starts as a pure Tea scent but then changes to a blend of Tea and Old Rose, with intriguing hints of cedar wood.

Awarded first prize for fragrance at the Barcelona trials in 2009.

Named for the 400th anniversary of the birth of the poet John Milton.



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