

OLD GARDEN ROSES for the NEW ORLEANS AREA "The Short List"*

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CLIMBERS

'Climbing Cramoisi Superieur' red China
'Peggy Martin' pink Repeat Blooming Rambler
'Lamarque' white Noisette
'Rev d'Or' apricot Noisette
All of the Noisette climbers

BUSHES

'Napoleon' pink/dark pink China
'Baronne Henriette de Snoy' pink Tea
'Safrano' saffron Tea
'White Maman Cochet' white Tea
'Spice' white/blush China
'Mrs. Dudley Cross' yellow/blush
'Mlle. Franzisca Kruger' yellow/apricot Tea
'Mrs. B.R. Cant' watermelon pink Tea
'Louis Philippe' crimson China
'Cramoisi Superior' red China
'Cecile Brunner' or 'Spray Cecile Brunner'
pale pink (the original Sweetheart Rose)

* This is, by no means, a complete list, only some of the best.

Do Old Garden Roses only bloom in the spring?

No. Some varieties bloom in the spring or early summer. Some bloom in the spring and again in the fall. But most of the varieties which thrive in our climate bloom all year long.

Where can I get Old Garden Roses?

The best news of all is that Old Garden Roses, unlike Modern Roses, can be propagated by rooting cuttings from old rose plants. It's like owning an antique which can be cloned. Some local nurseries are beginning to carry old roses. Buy only own-root roses (not budded or grafted), and only those varieties which thrive here. Call the Antique Rose Emporium in Texas (800-441-0002) for a beautiful, illustrated catalogue of own-root roses for our climate.

www.weAREroses.com

New Orleans Old Garden
Rose Society
rose sale
call Maureen Detweiler
(504)866-5466

City Park
New Orleans Botanical
Garden annual rose sale
call (504)483-9386

It is important to refer to books written by people who grow old roses in our southern climate:

Antique Roses For the South
by William C. Welch

Roses In the Southern Garden
by G. Michael Shoup

The Organic Rose Garden
by Liz Drutt