Roses Have Arrived in the Garden Centre

Ornamental roses have been cultivated for centuries, with the earliest known roses grown as early as 500 BC in Mediterranean countries, Persia and China. Empress Josephine of France, in the 19th century, patronized the development of rose breeding at her garden at Malmaison. By 1840 there were over 1,000 different cultivars, varieties and species of roses. Over time, roses have been grown for the cut flower market. They have also been used in perfumes, food and drink, and as medicinal purposes. Roses are a favourite subject in art and for many people the symbol of the rose has great significance. The Shop in the Garden has a variety of roses available including Species roses, Bush and Climbing roses, Floribundas, Hybrid Teas, Grandifloras, and Rugosas. A few examples are listed below.

**"Roald Dahl" Rose**
New this year, this shrub rose can be grown in a container or in a garden bed. Its fragrance is of strong tea and is a repeat bloomer with peach colouring.

**"Sheila's Perfume" Rose**
The large double flowers of this rose are yellow and brushed by deep pink. This rounded bush has a strong rose and fruit fragrance.

**"Sugar Moon" Rose**
Big pointed buds open to a show of broad petals of pure white and black-green leaves to make the flowers stand out even more. This rose has an intense superfragrance of sweet citrus.

**"Gertrude Jekyll" Rose**
This rose can be grown as a bush rose or as a climber. It produces large rosette-shaped, glowing, pink flowers that have a very strong, old rose fragrance.

**"Tranquility" (Ausnoble) Rose**
This David Austin repeat bloomer can be grown as a bush rose or as an 8 foot climber. The buds are tinged with yellow but open up a pure white. It has a light apple fragrance.

**"Zephirine Drouhin" Rose**
Fragrant – also known as the Thornless Rose. This rose has large, double blossoms throughout the season.

**"Drop Dead Red" Rose**
This rose has a velvety red appearance with highly glossed deep green leaves and a mild tea fragrance.

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