

Roses (2024 Season) Information Leaflet No. 20



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"What's in a name? "That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet" – William Shakespeare – Romeo and Juliet.

No garden is complete without Roses, whether in traditional Rose-beds, as shrubs in mixed borders, as climbers for walls or pergolas, or in tubs on the patio.

The choice is vast; all are grown for the beauty or fragrance of their flowers, repeat flowering qualities, good disease resistance or decorative hips.

ROSE OF THE YEAR

The aim of the competition is to discover the best rose in any given year. Rose breeders throughout the UK enter their best up and coming varieties. Following trials under different soil conditions and climate locations, a winner is selected which is then offered to rose growers for propagation.

Previous winners include: -

2023 - Peach Melba

2022 - It's A Wonderful Life

2021 - Belle de Jour

2020 – Sweet Honey

2019 - Starlight Symphony

2018 - Lovestruck

2017 - Scent from Heaven

2016 – Sunny Sky

2015 - For Your Eyes Only

2014 - Lady Marmalade

2013 - You're Beautiful

2012 – Moment in Time

2011 - Joie De Vivre

2010 - Absolutely Fabulous

2009 – Lucky

2008 – Sweet Haze

2007 - Tickled Pink

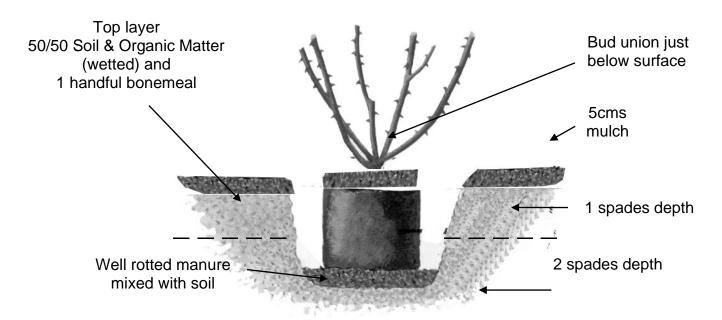
2006 – Champagne Moment

2005 - Summertime

2004 - Golden Memories

The Rose of the Year for 2024 is 'Meteor' – Floribunda rose. Lightly scented blooms of yellow and red. Colour is more intense in sunshine. Height 70cm, spread 40cm.

PLANTING GUIDE



Remove container carefully and keep compost around the root intact! Our Roses are containerized ready for planting all year round. If you have to replace your Roses, we advise you to use a new site; if this is not possible, it is necessary to plant them in fresh soil - removing old soil to a depth and width of at least 60cm and replace with fresh soil and plenty of well rotted manure. Alternatively, a product called Root grow is now available which contains Mycorrhizal fungi. This helps the rose to establish a healthy root system and to prevent rose sickness.

PRUNING ROSES

The object of pruning is to encourage vigorous, disease-free new growth, and an optimum number of flowers. There are many forms of roses, but the general principles apply to all.

General Principles

a/ Secateurs

Always use a sharp pair of secateurs. Never force them through extra thick stems, but use long handled loppers, or a pruning saw if needed, on neglected plants.

b/ When to Prune

Roses are best pruned in early spring when the uppermost buds begin to swell, but to avoid wind rock in the winter, shorten back old flowering wood in late autumn.

c/ Correct Pruning

Always cut just above an outward facing bud approximately 5mm above, with a sloping cut away from the bud.

- 1/ Cut out dead and diseased stems.
- 2/ Remove any weak spindly growths.
- 3/ Where two shoots cross, cut one back to just where they cross.
- 4/ Remove any suckers, tracing back to the root and pulling them off.
- 5/ Burn or dispose of pruning's to reduce the risk of spreading disease.

ROSE CARE

- 1/ A good mulch in Spring with well rotted compost or manure is important, to ensure healthy Roses with reduced risk of black spot and helps to retain moisture during dry summer weather.
- 2/ A regular spraying program is essential for healthy roses. Please ask a member of staff for products which are currently available.
- 3/ Feed and water regularly to promote natural vigour.
- 4/ Allow plenty of air circulation and avoid wetting foliage in the evening, as this encourages disease to spread.
- 5/ Companion planting will help to deter pests i.e. Nepeta, or Garlic.
- 6/ Replace roses before they get too old.

HYBRID TEA ROSES - HT

The Hybrid Tea is the aristocrat of roses. The classic rose, with a pointed bud opening to reveal many velvety petals, regularly arranged to form a high central cone. There is a bewildering range of colours with a moderate to strong fragrance. They will repeat flower and are the ideal rose for the vase. Height and spread from 60cm to 100cm.

PRUNING: Newly planted Roses (autumn/winter) - hard prune to 10-15cm from the ground. On established varieties prune out any dead or old non-flowering wood. For general garden display, prune strong stems by half - weaker stems by two thirds. Some stronger growing varieties are best lightly pruned, e.g., Peace, cut back by a third. Always cut an outward facing bud, sloping away about 0.5cm above the bud. Best done in mid March

Hybrid Tea Roses:

Red, Maroon, Crimson, Coral
Belle Rives – Fragrant. Height 90cm
Fragrant Cloud – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm *
Timeless Charisma – Very fragrant. Height 80cm
Volcano – Slightly fragrant. Height 70cm

* Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

Pale Pink, Rose Pink, Magenta

A Whiter Shade of Pale – Fragrant. Height 90cm
Blessings – Fragrant. Height 90cm
Hopes And Dreams – Very Fragrant. Height 75cm
Inspiration – Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm
Pink Perfection – Very Fragrant. Height 80cm
Showtime – Slightly Fragrant. Height 75cm
Silver Jubilee – Fragrant. Height 90cm
Special Anniversary – Very Fragrant. Height 100cm
Timeless Pink – Very Fragrant. Height 80cm

Apricot, Peach

Gorgeous - Fragrant. Height 80cm

Orange, Copper

Burning Desire – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm
Mamma Mia – Very Fragrant. Height 85cm
Magic Harlequin – Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm
Mocha-Rosa – Fragrant. Height 75cm
Rachel – Fragrant. Height 100cm
Remember Me – Fragrant. Height 100cm
Simply The Best – Fragrant. Height 90cm *

Pale Yellow, Yellow, Gold

Sunny Sky - Fragrant. Height 90cm

Mauve, Blue, Purple, Lilac

Timeless Purple – Very Fragrant. Height 70cm

Bi-Colour

Nostalgia – Red/Cream - Very Fragrant. Height 100cm* Peace – Yellow/Pink - Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.5m

White, Ivory

Silver Anniversary – Very Fragrant. Height 70cm **Timeless Cream** – Very Fragrant. Height 70cm

FLORIBUNDA ROSES - FLOR

The Floribunda rose is the best rose for providing colour in the garden from summer well into autumn. Many varieties are fragrant disease resistant, and very reliable in wet weather. The Floribunda is the most versatile of roses flowing in clusters, ideal in the border, planted as a hedge or in a container, in either formal or informal settings.

Height and spread from 60cm to 150cm.

Follow pruning guide for Hybrid Teas.

Floribunda Roses:

Red, Maroon, Crimson, Coral

Lovestruck – Slightly Fragrant. Height 95cm*
Precious Love – Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm
Precious Ruby – Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm
Trumpeter – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm *

* Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

Pale Pink, Rose Pink, Magenta

Ebb Tide – Fragrant. Height 75cm
Let There Be Love – Slight Fragrant. Height 100cm
Queen Elizabeth – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.7m *
Tickled Pink – Fragrant. Height 90cm *
Truly Loved – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm

Apricot, Peach

Champagne Moment – Fragrant. Height 60cm * Joie De Vivre – Fragrant. Height 60cm *

Orange, Copper

For You, With Love – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm Hot Chocolate – Fragrant. Height 90cm * It's A Wonderful Life – Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm Super Trooper – Slightly Fragrant. Height 85cm

Pale Yellow, Yellow, Gold

Absolutely Fabulous – Fragrant. Height 75cm *
Arthur Bell – Very Fragrant. Height 1.25m *
Belle de Jour – Very Fragrant. Height 1m
Korresia – Fragrant. Height 75cm *

Precious Amber - Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm Precious Gold - Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm Summer Gold - Fragrant. Height 75cm

White, Ivory, Cream

Iceberg – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Margaret Merril – Very Fragrant. Height 100cm *

Pearl – Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm

Special Day – Very Fragrant. Height 70cm

Mauve, Blue, Purple, Lilac

Blue For You – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm Eyes For You – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm Minerva – Very Fragrant. Height 70cm Rhapsody In Blue – Fragrant. 100cm *

Bi-Colour

Sheila's Perfume - Yellow/Red. Very Fragrant. Height 90cm *

PATIO ROSES - PATIO

The Patio rose is a dwarf Floribunda, ideal for the front of the border or in a container. They produce an abundant display in clusters throughout the summer.

Height and spread from 30cm to 60cm. Follow pruning guide for Hybrid Teas

Patio Roses:

Red, Scarlet

Peter Pan – Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm
Raspberry Royal – Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm
Ruby Romance – Slightly Fragrant. Height 35cm
Ruby Wishes – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm
Scarlet Patio – Slightly Fragrant. Height 45cm *
Sweet Wishes - Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm
Zepeti – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm

Pale Pink, Soft Pink, Bright Pink

Carefree Days – No Fragrance. Height 45cm

Designer Sunset – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm

Flirt 2011 – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm

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Lovely Bride - Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm Pretty Polly - Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm Silver Wishes — Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm

Apricot, Peach, Salmon

Flower Power – Fragrant. Height 45cm Peachy – Slightly Fragrant. Height 30cm Sweet Dream - Slightly Fragrant. Height 45cm

Orange, Vermillion

Lots Of Kisses – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm
My Angel – Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm
Wildfire - Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm
Yellow, Gold
Flower Power Gold – Slightly Fragrant. Height 35cm*
Golden Angel – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm
Little Sunset – Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm
Our Dream – Slightly Fragrant. Height 45cm
Yellow Patio - Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm

White, Cream

Little Angel – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm Sweet Memories – Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm * White Patio – Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm

GROUND COVER ROSES - G/C

Ground cover roses are generally low growing and spreading, they form a dense leafy mat. Their uses are numerous in the garden, ideal as weed suppressors, for hiding unsightly mounds, edging rose beds and covering steep banks. They may vary in height from 20cm to 2m, generally repeat flowering and requiring less attention than other types.

PRUNING: Little is needed, except for the removal of old flower heads, dead or weak growth. Best done in early spring, using secateurs or mechanical pruners.

Ground Cover Roses:

Red, Scarlet

Flower Carpet Ruby- Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm*

* Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

Pink, Coral, Carmine

Flower Carpet Coral – Slightly Fragrant. Height 75cm Flower Carpet Pink – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm * The Fairy – No Fragrance. Height 90cm *

Gold, Yellow

Flower Carpet Amber – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm* Flower Carpet Gold – Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm*

White

Flower Carpet White - Slightly Fragrant. Height 30cm*

CLIMBING ROSES - CLB

Climbing roses are ideal choice to cover a wall or screen. The flowers are born on the framework of mature wood which is permanent and so pruning and maintenance is much easier. They are generally repeat flowering and fragrant. Height from 2m to 5m.

PRUNING: Cut out any weak or old non-flowering growths. Tie in shoots. Prune back flowering shoots to 3 or 4 buds.

Climbing Roses:

Red, Crimson, Maroon, Coral

Crimson Cascade – Fragrant. Height 3.5m * **Dublin Bay –** Slightly Fragrant. Height 3.5m

* Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

Pale Pink, Rose Pink, Magenta, Carmine

Agatha Christie – Fragrant. Height 4m
Blush Noisette – Fragrant. Height 2.1m
Compassion – Very Fragrant. Height 2.5m *
Constance Spry – Very Fragrant. Height 3m
Flower Carpet Pink – Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m
Gertrude Jekyll – Very Fragrant. Height 2.5m
James Gallway - Fragrant. Height 4m

Lilac Bouquet – Fragrant. Height 2.8m

Mary Delany – Fragrant. Height 2.4m*

Ozeana - Fragrant. Height 2.5m

Raspberry Cream Twirl – Slightly Fragrant. Height 2m

Rural England – Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m

Star Performer – Fragrant. Height 2.2m

Starlight Express – Fragrant. Height 4m

Strawberry Hill – Fragrant. Height 3m

St Swithen- Fragrant. Height 2m*

The Generous Gardener - Fragrant. Height 3m

Apricot, Peach, Champagne, Salmon, Orange

Bathsheba – Fragrant. Height 3m Keith Maughan – Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m Peach Melba – Slightly Fragrant. Height 2m Scent from Heaven – Very Fragrant. Height 2m Wymondham Abbey – Slightly Fragrant. Height 4m

Pale Yellow, Yellow, Gold

Arthur Bell – Very Fragrant. Height 4m *
Banksia Lutea – Fragrant. Height 7.5m
Golden Showers – Fragrant. Height 3m *
Maigold – Fragrant. Height 2.5m
The Pilgrim – Fragrant. Height 2.5m *
Sommergold – Fragrant. Height 2.7m
Wollerton Old Hall - Fragrant. Height 2.5m

Cream, White

Claire Austin - Fragrant. Height 2.5m Clarence House – Very Fragrant. Height 3.5m Iceberg – Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m Mme Alfred Carriere – Very Fragrant. Height 5m *

Bi-Colour

Handel – Cream/Pink. Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m **Redova** – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Climbing roses suitable for a north or east wall:

Iceberg Mme Alfred Carriere Maigold Golden Showers

RAMBLING ROSES - RAMB

Rambling roses are very vigorous and are generally a mass of colour in summer often followed by hips. They do not usually repeat flower, (those below marked with an ® are repeat flowering) but are ideal for growing into dead trees or over pergolas. They also make excellent weeping standards and can be left to trail along the soil as ground cover. Height from 3m to 10.5m

PRUNING: Ramblers should be pruned on planting to stimulate growth from the base.

ESTABLISHED PRUNING: Prune out one in three of the stems to the base to encourage new growth. Also shorten side shoots by two thirds to encourage flowering the following season. This should be done after flowering in July.

Rambling Roses:

Blush Pink, Rose Pink, Bright Pink

Adelaide D'Orleans - Fragrant. Height 6m
Albertine - Very Fragrant. Height 4.5m *
American Pillar - No Fragrance. Height 6m *
New Dawn - Fragrant. Height 4m * ®
Pauls Himalayen Musk - Very Fragrant. Height 10m
The Albrighton Rambler - Fragrant. Height 4m ®
The Lady of the Lake - Fragrant. Height 4m

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Cream, White

Felicite et Perpetue - Fragrant. Height 6m

Rambling Rector - Fragrant. Height 6.5m *

Seagull - Fragrant. Height 7m

Wedding Day - Slightly Fragrant. Height 10.5m *

Mauve, Violet

Veilchenblau - Fragrant. Height 4m *

Yellow

Malvern Hills – Fragrant. Height 4m * ® Phyllis Bide - Fragrant. Height 4.5m

Red, Crimson

Alexander Girault - Fragrant. Height 6m Rambling Rosie - Slightly Fragrant. Height 3m

Repeat Flowering Miniature Ramblers

Siluetta Range: Compact and suitable for containers. Height up to 2m. Available in assorted colours.

Rambling roses suitable for a north or east wall:

The New Dawn

Veilchenblau

SHRUB ROSES - SHB

Shrub roses are extremely useful shrubs. They require little or no pruning; many have a long flowering period followed by a bright display of hips in the autumn. This group includes Species Roses, old fashioned varieties along with modern varieties, and among this varied group there is a variety for every garden.

Shrub Roses:

Pale Pink, Rose Pink, Carmine

Ballerina – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.2m *
Bonica – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1m *
Comte De Chambord – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Dunham Massey – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Festive Jewell – Fragrant. Height 2m
Frilly Cuff – Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Ivors Rose – Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm
Jacques Cartier – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Our Beth – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m

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Orange, Apricot

Buff Beauty – Fragrant. Height 1.2m Liverpool Hope – Very Fragrant. Height 90cm The Churchill Rose – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Sandringham – Very Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Yellow

Grosvenor House – Fragrant. Height 90cm **Leah Tutu** – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

White, Pearl

Countess of Wessex – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m Oxford Physic Rose - Fragrant. Height 120cm Queens Jubilee Rose – Fragrant. Height 90cm

Bi-Colour

Rosa Mundi /Versicolour- Pink/White. No Fragrance. Height 1.2m

NEW ENGLISH ROSES - ENG

English roses combine the charm, variety and character of old roses, but also have the compactness and long flowering qualities of modern roses. They are very disease resistant, can be used in mixed borders, rose beds, as standards and some are suitable for containers.

Some English roses can also be grown as climbers. They are not too vigourous and have a natural ability to flower very close to the ground.

New English Roses:

Crimson, Red

Gabriel Oak - Fragrant. Height 1.2m Thomas A' Becket – Fragrant. Height 1.2m * Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

Pale Pink, Rose Pink, Rich Pink

Boscobel - Fragrant. Height 1m *

Emily Bronte – Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Gentle Hermione - Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Gertrude Jekyll – Very Fragrant. Height 1.75m *

Harlow Carr – Fragrant. Height 1m

James L Austin - Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Olivia Rose Austin - Fragrant. Height 1m

Princess Alex Of Kent – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Princess Anne – Fragrant. Height 1m

Sceptered Isle – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Silas Marner - Fragrant. Height 1.1m

The Ancient Mariner - Fragrant. Height 1.5m

The Mayflower - Very Fragrant. Height 90cm

Wildeve - Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Apricot, Salmon

Dame Judi Dench – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Eustacia Vye – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Grace – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m *

Lady Of Shalott – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Queen Of Sweden – Fragrant. Height 1m *

The Lady Gardener – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Yellow, Gold

Charles Darwin – Very Fragrant. Height 1.2m *
Golden Celebration – Very Fragrant. Height 1.5m *
Nye Bevan – Fragrant. Height 1m
The Poets Wife – Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Tottering by Gently – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.2m
Vanessa Bell – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

White, Cream

Desdemona – Fragrant. Height 1.2m Kew Gardens – Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.5m Lichfield Angel – Fragrant. Height 1.2m Susan Williams - Ellis – Fragrant. Height 1.2m Tranquillity – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Orange, Copper

Roald Dahl – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Magenta

Young Lycidas – Fragrant. Height 1.2m

MINI PATIO CLIMBERS - CLB (MINI)

Ideal for patio containers or tubs, growing from 1.8 - 2.5m. Free flowering over a long period.

Miniature Climbing Roses:

Gloriana – Carmine Pink. Height 2.5m *
Love Knot – Deep Red. Height 2.4m *
Star Performer – Medium Pink. Height 2.2m

* Denotes particularly disease resistant varieties

STANDARD ROSES

Standard roses are excellent for giving height in the garden. They can be used as a focal point, or for planting at intervals along the edge of a path. They lend an extra dimension to a flat landscape and can also be grown in containers, and kept on a sunny patio.

They are available as:50cm Standards - 50cm stem – overall height 1.2 – 1.5m
80cm Standards - 80cm stem – overall height 1.5 – 2m

Hybrid Teas, Floribundas, Ground Cover and Patio are available as standards.

It is necessary to stake and tie Standard Roses securely.

Celebration and Occasion Roses

We offer a wide range of roses suitable for many occasions, from birthdays and anniversaries to memorial roses.

Birthday Girl - Cream and Pink. Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm

Birthday Wishes - Orange and Red. Slightly Fragrant. Height 1.2m

Blessings – Coral Pink. Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Diamond Dad – White. Slightly Fragrant. Height 80cm

Diamond Days Forever – Cream/White. Slightly Fragrant. Height 75cm

For Your Eyes Only - Pink/Apricot. Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm

Golden Celebration - Gold. Very Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Golden Wedding – Golden Yellow. Fragrant. Height 90cm

Grandma's Rose – Yellow. Slightly Fragrant. Height 80cm

Grandpa's Rose – Red. Slightly Fragrant. Height 60cm

Happy Birthday – (aka Rotary Sunrise) Yellow. Fragrant. Ht 90cm

Happy Golden Wedding - Slightly Fragrant. Height 70cm

Happy Retirement – Shell Pink. Fragrant. Height 75cm

Happy Ruby Wedding – Fragrant. Height 90cm

Let there be Love – Soft Pink. Slightly Fragrant. Height 1m

Many Happy Returns - Blush Pink. Fragrant. Height 90cm

Mum in a Million - Pink. Fragrant. Height 1.5m

My Lovely Dad – (aka Moody Blue) Purple. Very Fragrant. Ht 80cm

My Lovely Mum – (aka Keep Smiling) Yellow. Very Fragrant Ht 90cm

Peace - Yellow/Pink. Fragrant. Height 1.5m

Pearl – Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm

Remember – White. Very Fragrant. Height 90cm

Remember Me – Copper Orange. Slightly Fragrant. Height 1m

Ruby Anniversary - Ruby Red. No Fragrance. Height 45cm

Ruby Wishes - Dark Red. Slightly Fragrant. Height 50cm

Silver Anniversary – Pure White. Very Fragrant. Height 70cm

Special Anniversary – Rose Pink. Very Fragrant. Height 1m

Special Day – Creamy white. Height 70 cm

Sweet Memories - Creamy Yellow. Slightly Fragrant. Height 40cm

Truly Loved - Slightly Fragrant. Height 90cm

Warm Wishes - Peach/Coral. Very Fragrant. Height 80cm

Wedding Day – Creamy White. Slightly Fragrant. Height 10.5m

Thornless Roses or Roses with very few thorns

Iceberg Banksia Lutea Mme Alfred Carriere Mary Delany

Roses with hips to attract wildlife

Rosa Rugosa

Roses suitable for hedging

Harlow Carr Iceberg Queen Elizabeth Rosa Rugosa

Roses for seaside locations

Ballerina Rosa Rugosa Queen of Sweden Rosa Mundi

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