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Now Is the Time

when the crisp days of autumn come, and the cool nights; when the Roses bloom more red and more golden and richer pink than at any other season; now, more than ever it is a delight to go among them planning new arrangements, considering additions to the stock of this or that favorite variety, weighing the merits of new varieties seen or heard about, and wondering which, where, and when to order them. There is no reason why it should not be done at once. Almost always, perfect success is assured in autumn planting, if the simple protective measures given below are taken. Plants are strong, new, and full of summer’s vigor now; and we dig and ship them as they are ordered so that there is the least possible delay between our fields and your garden and no loss of their precious vitality.

To Plant Roses

in the autumn, prepare the beds in September or early October, if possible, by digging them 18 inches deep. Enrich the soil with well-rotted stable or cow-manure or other suitable fertilizer. Let the ground settle until the Roses arrive, so that it will be firm. Dig holes large enough to be comfortable for the roots, which should be spread horizontally with the ends pointing downward. In filling the holes, tamp the earth tightly until they are half filled, then fill them with water and wait until it has entirely drained away before finishing. Cut back the tops of the plants slightly, leaving a foot or more of the branches. Before the ground freezes hill the soil about the plants as high as possible. Later, protect with a layer of light litter which will insure their safety over winter.

More detailed planting instructions will be found in our catalogue “Roses by Bobbink & Atkins,” a copy of which will be mailed upon request to those who intend to plant Roses and who do not already have it.

For Next Summer

you will want in your garden some of the choice new Roses, so brilliantly different from those of a few years ago. This folder describes some of the rarest and most desirable of the new Roses, offered for the first time at prices considerably lower than the catalogue rate. They represent only a small portion of the hundreds of thousands of Roses which we have. We refer prospective customers to our catalogue “Roses by Bobbink & Atkins” for all the Roses we grow, any of which can be supplied this autumn at current catalogue prices.
A collection of the choicest of the newer things. Some of these have been selling at $3.50 and $2 each.

One each of the six varieties for $10.

CAPTAIN RONALD CLERK. Tapering scarlet buds, opening to nearly single flowers of vivid scarlet-orange, with yellow at the base of the sharply reflexing petals. Fragrant, free-flowering, vigorous, and bushy. An uncommonly strong color which is very distinct and scarlet even faded, resembling the best of The Queen Alexandra Rose and Padre. It belongs to the new group of extraordinary Roses, of which Elvira Assumption is the type. Catalogue price, $2 each.

DAME EDITH HELEN. Very large, extremely double flowers with many overlapping and symmetrically arranged petals in the manner of Driver roses in the manner of the perfectly opened flowers of this type. The color is clear pink, of an exquisite pure shade which does not fade in sunlight. In spite of its great size and form, the plants are very strong and vigorous, deliciously fragrant, and bloom freely. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

REV. F. PAGE-ROBERTS. Glorious, large buds of rich yellow, gold, and copper, opening to beautifully formed flowers of soft yellow, with many symmetrically arranged petals and delicious, brassy fragrance. The plants are vigorous and free flowering, particularly in autumn. This is one of the most beautiful Roses grown and is becoming increasingly popular every year. Offered now for the first time at a popular price. Catalogue price, $2 each.

WILHELM KORDES. Another of the most famous Roses of recent years. The brilliant coppery scarlet and gold flowers of this variety are borne continuously on long, fine stems. Plants are of moderate height, bushy, and ready to position which affords them a little protection. Catalogue price, $2.50 each.

AGNES. This new Yellow-Red Hybrid is a very distinct shrub Rose. The flowers are double, clear bright yellow, and are freely produced in spring and early summer. The foliage is uniformly different from any other Rose. Make a note of it. Catalogue price, $2 each.

BETTY. A favorite free-blooming variety with copious pink buds and large, reflexed creamy-pink flowers. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

CAPTAIN F. BALD. Brilliant red blooms of enormous size, large and substance. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

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EDEL. Giant, very double white, with symmetrical, overlapping petals. Very beautiful. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

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GENERAL MACARTHUR. A popular, free-blooming variety. Flowers bright red, distinguished by a soft, shell-pink center. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

GOLDEN OPHÉLIA. Very large and beautiful flowers of golden yellow, paling to creamy-white. Catalogue price, $2.25 each.

H. V. MACHIN. Bold, brilliant crimson flowers of great size on very stiff, bushy plants. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

PADRE. One of the most effective bedding Roses ever introduced. The flowers are slender and tall, and the foliage, while healthy, is sparse and thin, so that they can be planted close. They are extremely free-blooming, double, and globular, intense scarlet-orange in the bud, opening to a very bright orange-red, combined with a bluish yellow center. While the individual blooms do not last long, they are continually succeeded by new ones, so that the plants are always in bloom. Catalogue price, $1.50 each.

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CLIMBING ROSES

For those who have room for only a few plants and want Roses in abundance, Climbing Roses are best. In larger collections they are invaluable for their variation in stature and the tremendous beauty and variety of their flowers. They are easiest of all Roses to take care of, requiring little or no winter protection, and only an occasional thinning of the older wood. They make splendid subjects for arches, pillars, pergolas, summer-houses, garden seats, and even porch coverings. A selection of varieties such as is given here will give a wealth of bloom for six weeks or more.

POLYANTHANA ROSES

These dwarf, everblooming, cluster-flowering Roses are ideal for mass effects. None other bloom so freely or so long. Use them for low hedges, or for borders to shrub plantings. Always satisfactory.

ANNELCHEN MÜLLER. Vigorous plants with clusters of brilliant rose-pink flowers. One of the best for hedges. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10.

CORAL CLUSTER. Fine trusses of brilliant coral-pink flowers—a very delicate, attractive color. The plants are bushy. $1 each, $9 for 10.

EBLOUSSANT. Rather large flowers, brilliant red, shaped like little cactus dahlias. Always in flower. $1 each, $9 for 10.

ELLEN POULSEN. Large, loosely formed flowers of bright rose-pink, becoming lighter toward the edges. The clusters are compact and large. One of the very best of its type. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.

GRUSS AN AACHEN. The finest of the type. Large flowers, tinted scarlet and yellow in bud, opening to very double, creamy white and pink flowers of splendid form. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.

LADY READING. A good bushy sort, bearing many charming little shining light red flowers in clusters. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.

MARECHAL FOCH. Bright cherry-red, semi-double flowers changing to pink when open. Somewhat like Orleans Rose, but a distinct color; equally good in other respects. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10.

MISS EDITH CAVELL. Strong, bushy plants, bearing very fine trusses of dark, velvety red flowers of great beauty and persistence. One of the finest dark reds. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.

ORLEANS ROSE. Well known and very popular. Splendid large trusses of brilliant red, unfading blooms. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.

TRIOMPHE ORLEANAIS. Large, brilliant red flowers most freely produced in enormous trusses. Very long-lasting and showy. 75 cts. each, $6.50 for 10, $55 per 100.