



Rose Petals



Short Rose-Related Info-Bits to Stay Connected

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Non-UGC Rose Spotlight: *Sally Holmes*

By Cathy Matsuzaki

Sally Holmes is a stunning and eye-catching rose with its abundant large clustered blooms, often reminiscent of hydrangea blooms. Although its designated classification is that of a Shrub rose, **Sally Holmes** creates a spectacular display as a climber on trellises, pergolas and arbors, especially when she is in full bloom.

Each blossom starts off as a small pointed buff-colored bud, opening wide with 5 to 8 ivory-white slightly ruffled edged petals, revealing rich golden yellow stamens in the center. While Hawaii does not experience the normal seasonal changes like our mainland counterparts, sources indicate that **Sally Holmes** begins with an apricot coloration in the spring season, turning to a bright



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

white in the summer months and then taking on a rosy-pink tinge later in the fall season. A floriferous bloomer throughout the season, each dainty single-petaled blossom measures 3 to 4 inches in diameter.

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Gardening Presentation

By Linda Hayashi
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On February 21, 2023, members of my Green Thumb Club (GTC) at Waiiau District Park in Pearl City and I were treated to an interesting presentation given by our own HRS President, Myrna Cariaga. Our topic was "Gardening Pests and Their Control" but we also covered numerous other gardening sub-topics and related information.



What started as a general Q&A session quickly turned into a discussion about various garden

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UGC Rose Spotlight: *Iceberg*



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

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Iceberg roses are gorgeous and bear abundant clusters of pure white blossoms with a mild sweet honey fragrance. This Floribunda variety is easy to care for, hardy, grows vigorously and is nearly thornless.

It has a bushy, rounded and well-branched growth habit, making it ideal for hedges and rose borders with its showy and floriferous blooms all season long. When you visit the Showcase Rose Garden at the Urban Garden Center (UGC), you will find a row of **Iceberg** rose plants bordering the makai pathway with bright white blossoms always in bloom, making it a stunning display for all eyes to enjoy.

Each long pointed bud unfurls to a beautiful medium to large double blossom averaging 2 to 3 inches in diameter, each with a 20 to 25 petal count. When fully open, golden yellow stamens in the center further accentuate these roses. Sources indicate that the flowers may have a tinge of pink in the late summer months. **Iceberg** plants have an upright spreading growth habit and

can grow to heights of 3 to 5 feet and widths of 2 to 3 feet. It has smooth slender stems and does best in full sunlight, but also flourishes in the shade as proven at the UGC Rose Garden. This variety's lovely blossoms are set against glossy light green foliage, which has great disease resistance.

Iceberg was bred by Reimer Kordes in Germany in 1958. It was introduced in Australia by Hazlewood Bros. Pty. Ltd. in 1960 as "*Schneewittchen*", and introduced in France by Vilmorin-Andrieux also in 1960 as "*Fée des Neiges*". Its parentage is a cross between *Robin Hood* (a medium red Hybrid Musk rose) and *Virgo* (a white Hybrid Tea rose).

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Imagine hundreds of these pretty blossoms in clustered-bloom form accented against its glossy dark green foliage and you definitely have a spectacular sight to behold!

Sally Holmes has a very mild, albeit slightly sweet fragrance and is nearly thornless. The variety flourishes well in the full sun and is even tolerant to high heat, but is also adaptable to partial shade. Despite its delicate appearance, the flowers last a long time even in the heat and/or rain and it has good disease resistance. As with most, if not all, rose plants **Sally Holmes** thrives best in well-drained soil. This rose has a well-branched and bushy growth habit and can grow to heights of 6 to 12 feet and widths of 3 to 5 feet.

Bred by Robert A. Holmes of the United Kingdom in 1976, **Sally Holmes** was introduced in the United Kingdom in the same year by Fryer's Roses/Fryer's Nurseries, Ltd. Holmes named this beautiful rose in honor of his wife, Sally.

Sally Holmes has won numerous awards, including the Gold Medal in 1980 at the Baden-Baden Rose Trials in Germany, the Portland



Sally Holmes in Peninsula Park,
Portland, Oregon.
Photo by Myrna Cariaga

Gold Medal in 1993 and the World Rose Hall of Fame in 2012. This prestigious award is given to outstanding roses (every 3 years) selected by Member Countries of the World Federation of Rose Societies. **Sally Holmes** was created from stock parents *Ivory Fashion* and *Ballerina*, the latter of which we have growing in one of the Terrace Rose Garden beds at the Urban Garden Center.

Interestingly, a couple of websites notated Sally Holmes as a "Hybrid Musk" rose. According to the American Rose Society's website, some of the predominant characteristics of Hybrid Musk

roses are beautiful soft colored roses which bloom in large clusters, with consistent repeat blooming, even in partial shade, excellent vigor and are quite fragrant. They do well as low climbers or spreading shrubs, reaching heights of 4 feet and widths of up to 6 feet. Some varieties are nearly thornless, have dark green leathery foliage with good disease resistance and can tolerate a wide range of temperatures.

Most of these characteristics fit the description for the **Sally Holmes** rose, with the exceptions of it being fragrant and the size of the plant itself.

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Green Thumb Club Presentation

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pests that not only affect roses but other plants as well. After Myrna presented various types of garden pests and methods to control them, GTC members also shared their experiences and methods in dealing with some of these pests.

Along with informative handouts, Myrna also shared tips on how to grow healthier plants. She also shared a humorous story about going with her father to collect manure from a chicken farm. Just imagine the smell while riding in a

station wagon piled high with chicken manure in the back with all of its windows closed so no manure would escape! Myrna said she always had tears in her eyes from the intense odor and would never forget the experience. Neither would any gardener who had to purchase fresh chicken manure even if they came in bags! Myrna also shared tips on how to make manure and compost tea which all plants love.

The GTC is an hour-long City and County of Honolulu Parks and Recreation activity that is overseen by Recreation Director Dahlia Manzanillo. The GTC was created

for the first time in January 2023. Myrna's presentation went well over one-hour because GTC members continued asking her questions and participated in the lively discussion. Director Manzanillo said she too "learned a lot of things today! I wished she could have stayed longer and shared more."

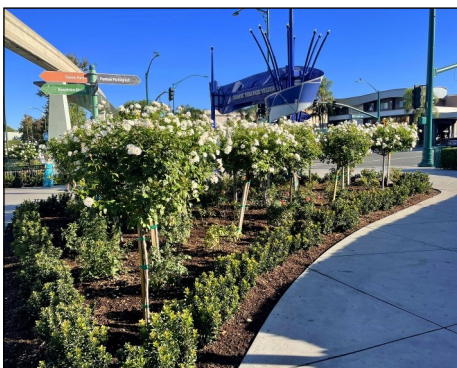
Thanks to Myrna's presentation and discussion, GTC members were able to learn about various garden pests which is just the tip of the iceberg regarding gardening. Thank you Myrna and to the HRS for a very informative and fun session!

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Iceberg has won multiple awards, including the Gold Medal in 1958 at the Baden-Baden Rose Trials in Germany, the Royal National Rose Society Gold Medal in 1958, and the World Federation of Rose Societies Hall of Fame.

Editor's Note: Monrovia.com describes **Iceberg** as easily one of the most recognized rose varieties. This is especially true in Southern California where the variety was and still is a go-to rose for landscape designers because of their ease of care and abundance of bloom. You will find them scattered across front yards in an array of homes in almost every neighborhood. They are also everywhere in business settings from gas stations to supermarkets to office buildings and beyond. Here we see a couple of places where they were recently spotted in Anaheim, CA and Temecula, CA to the upper right.



The general advice is to plant **Iceberg** in abundance. Multiple row settings will offset the sparseness at the bottom of these plants and fill in spaces where single-row naturally creates for this variety. Take a look around the next time you're traveling in Southern California. You'll be surprised by how many times you see **Iceberg** roses growing wherever you go.

Other *Iceberg* Varieties

In 1968, climbing **Iceberg** roses were first introduced in the United Kingdom. They are similar in appearance and fragrance to original Floribunda **Iceberg** roses.

In 2002, Tim Hermann Kordes of Kordes Roses of Germany introduced a new Hybrid Tea version of the **Iceberg** rose. This new version proved to be popular among florists, but it had a much milder scent, yet still retained the same bright, white-colored blooms as the original **Iceberg** roses.



There are now other colors of Floribunda **Iceberg** roses including *Blushing Pink* (which is a sport or genetic mutation of the original **Iceberg** variety), *Brilliant Pink Iceberg* (shown in our Armchair Traveler column this month) and *Burgundy Iceberg*.

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Rose Care Tidbit: *Planting Roses*

By Marsha Yokomichi
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As a follow up to our "Purchasing Roses" article that appeared in the December 15th edition of our newsletter, let's focus on the next stage: "What to do now that you've bought your bareroots or potted rose plants."



Bareroot Roses

If you purchased bareroot roses online or "cigar pack" or boxed roses locally, the first thing you need to do is soak your roses to hydrate them. Carefully remove the bareroot rose plant from their cigar pack or box and separate the packing material from the roots. Throw away the packing material.

Soak the bareroot rose plants in a bucket so that the entire plant, roots to the tip of the canes, are submerged in water for 24-48 hours. After that, if necessary, trim the roots with a pruner before planting in a 3-gallon plastic pot. Use a good quality potting soil with good drainage. Enhance draining by adding additional Perlite to the potting mixture. Do not use moisture-control potting soil that may contain water-storing gels. This type of potting soil keeps too much moisture in the soil and roots may start to rot because they do

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not have a chance to adequately dry out between watering.

Water the newly-planted rose thoroughly and then put outside in the sun to drain. Now, the tricky part is to keep the rose canes hydrated to encourage new shoots to sprout. Ideally, it would be good to mist the bareroots with water at least once an hour for about a week during the day so that the canes stay moist.

For any shoots that have already sprouted prior to being purchased, just remove them by snapping them off the canes. Those sprouts are already



stressed and will not survive anyway. It's best to remove them to conserve energy for the plant so that they can produce new sprouts after being potted. You can stop misting when the sprouts are at least 3-inches long. Next, grow your rose plants in their 3-gallon pots until they have completed at least two-bloom cycles. After that, the root system of the rose plants should be sufficient enough to hold the root ball and soil together without falling apart. You want to try to keep them together because the rose plant may go into shock and die if the root and soil ball



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

falls apart. You will want to transplant your new rose into a 15-gallon plastic pot or directly into the ground any time after the second bloom cycle.

Potted Roses

Potted roses from local nurseries or at local garden centers are usually about 6 to 7 weeks old before they are put on the market. When you see these roses in bloom, they are usually in their first bloom cycle. Each variety is different but generally, each bloom cycle takes about 5-6 weeks from sprouting of canes that develop into buds then bloom.

You will want to keep your roses in their 3-gallon plastic pots until at least two bloom-cycles to give the roots a chance to develop. We want the roots



to be developed enough to keep the soil and roots together without falling apart when transplanting. You will want to transplant your new rose into a 15-gallon plastic pot or directly into the ground any time after the second bloom cycle.

You can keep your plants in their 3-gallon pot for longer than the two bloom cycles mentioned however, if your plant is dehydrated by the end of every day, it means it's time to replant now. If this happens, it's likely that the roots are already growing in a circle because the pot is too small for the plant.

There may not be enough moisture in the potting soil to sustain the plant's needs so they may droop and wilt even though you just watered them yesterday. Potted rose plants with good drainage but with adequate moisture-holding ability should not need to be watered more than once every other day.

Please do not hesitate to contact your HRS Consulting Rosarians for additional advice regarding planting or transplanting your rose plants. Good luck!

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Armchair Traveler: Rose Garden at Briar Rose Winery Temecula, CA

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While on a recent trip to see the Rose Haven Heritage Garden in Temecula, CA, Myrna and I couldn't help but long to stop off at one of the local wineries in the area. After all, Temecula is known for numerous family-owned wineries which produce over 50 different varieties of wine. We took a chance and Googled, "roses, wine, and Temecula" and came up with an array of different wineries to visit.



Our top choice was Briar Rose Winery because of the rose garden that they featured on their premises. And so, this month, we venture out to visit the **Rose Garden at Briar Rose Winery** and the quaint fairy tale cottages intended to be a replica of Disney's Snow White cottages. The structure was built in the 1970s by Beldon Fields, a then Disney employee, who built the cottages for his wife. Fields had previously worked on Fantasyland and Toon Town in Disneyland.



In the early 1990s, Les and Dorian



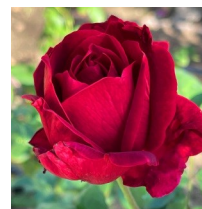
Linkogle purchased the property from Fields and promised that they would not change the design of the cottages. In the late 1990s, the Linkogles experimented with planting grapes and sold them to local wineries. The wines produced started winning awards and thus, in 2002, the Linkogles decided to work toward opening their own winery. Their grand opening happened in 2007.

The idyllic surroundings of the **Rose Garden at Briar Rose Winery** were nothing short of a fairytale. Majestically tall trees shaded the area in dappled sunlight where lush green grass, colorful flowering



annuals, and a few dozen roses thrived in unison. There you will also find statues of all seven dwarfs hiding among plants in the garden. While the rose plants themselves were not labeled with names, we

spotted the familiar varieties of *Mr. Lincoln*, *Peace*, and *Brilliant Pink Iceberg* growing among other beautiful blooming roses.



The **Rose Garden at Briar Rose Winery** is certainly worth a visit if you're in the area. Whether you go to see the rose garden and enjoy a glass of wine from the award-winning winery or you go to taste the award-winning wine and enjoy a stroll through the beautiful serene rose garden, you definitely won't be disappointed.

The **Rose Garden at Briar Rose Winery** is located at 41720 Calle Cabrillo, Temecula, CA 92592. They are currently open Friday through Sunday 12noon - 5pm. Reservations for wine tasting are required.



Please call (951) 308-1098 or email Katie@briarrosewinery.com for more information.

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