

Planting Earth-Kind® roses— easier than you think!

1. Select a spot with 8 hours or more of sun.
2. Locate roses where air circulates freely: calculate mature height and width of each rose.. They will look tiny at first but will soon grow to fill a large space.
3. In clay soils add 3" of finished compost and 3" of expanded shale tilled to a depth of 8—12".
4. You can also do “pocket planting” by digging a 2' by 2' hole. Mix compost and expanded shale with the native soil that you removed from the hole. Place this mixture together back in the hole and plant the rose.
5. Water rose in well.
6. Add hardwood mulch to depth of 3", being sure to keep the mulch from touching the rose canes. Replenish as the mulch breaks down, keeping year around depth of 3".
7. The compost and mulch break down into nutrients, usually providing all the nutrition your Earth-Kind® roses need. Fertilize if you wish after each bloom cycle with high nitrogen fertilizer—at least 50% should be time release fertilizer if you are planting in black clay soil.
8. The first two years you may not need to prune any roses. If you decide to control the roses' growth, prune them—except for climbers—around February 14th. Prune climbers lightly after spring bloom.

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Earth-Kind® ROSES

WATERWISE BEAUTY FOR
EVERY GARDEN



Belinda's Dream, Texas Superstar

Dallas County Master Gardener

Earth-Kind® Roses

Easy, Beautiful Roses for Busy People

From extensive field tests at the Texas A & M horticulture program has come the emergence of the Earth-Kind® roses:

This prestigious designation has been given to 21 roses so far! These are the finest, easiest to grow, and most environmentally responsible roses for use in Texas landscapes and gardens.

These roses must withstand the Texas heat, the black clay gumbo soil, and the onslaught of pests and fungus.

In different sites throughout Texas, further roses are being tested to possibly earn the Earth-Kind® rose designation. Dr. Steve George of the Texas A & M Research Center in Dallas directs these tests.

What do you need to grow these roses?

- At least 8 hours of sun
- Well drained soil: Amend with compost and expanded shale
- Space each rose according to chart
- Mulch to conserve water and discourage weeds
- Use drip irrigation or soaker hoses if available
- Water well but less frequently
- Fertilize if desired but it's not necessary
- No need to spray fungicides or pesticides

Rose Name	Color	Bloom Type	Height x Width	Fragrant	Rose Type
Dwarf Shrubs					
Marie Daly	Pink	Double	3'-4' x 3'-5'	Very	Polyantha
The Fairy	Light Pink	Semi-Double	2'-4' x 4'	Yes	Polyantha
Small Shrubs					
Caldwell Pink	Lilac Pink	Double	3' x 5'	Very	China
Cecile Brunner	Light Pink	Double	4' x 3'	Yes	Polyantha
Perle d'Or	Apricot Yellow	Semi-Double	3'-6' x 3'	Some	Polyantha
Medium Shrubs					
Belinda's Dream	Pink	Semi-Double	3'-6' x 3'-4'	Very	Shrub
Carefree Beauty	Pink	Double	4' x 6'	Some	Shrub
Ducher	Pure White	Double	3'-5' x 3'	Yes	China
Duchesse de Brabant	Rose Pink	Semi-Double	4' x 6'	Very	Tea
Else Poulsen	Pink	Single	4' x 5'	Yes	Floribunda
Georgetown Tea	Pink Blend	Double	4' x 6'	Very	Tea
Knock Out®	Red	Single	3'- 4' x 3'-6'	Some	Shrub
La Marne	Pink/White	Semi-Double	5' x 5'	Some	Polyantha
Souvenir de St. Anne's	Light Pink	Semi-Double	4' x 3'	Very	Bourbon
Mme. Antoine Mari	Pink Blend	Double	2' x 4'	Yes	Tea
Spice	Blush Pink	Semi-Double	4' x 6'	Yes	China
Large Shrubs					
Mutabilis	Yel./Pink/Ora.	Single	4'-10' x 6'	Some	China
Climbers					
Cl. Pinkie	Rose Pink	Semi-Double	15' x 20'	Some	Cl.Polyantha
New Dawn	Blush Pink	Semi-Double	15'-20' x 8'-20'	Very	Shrub
Reve d'Or	Buff Yellow	Double	10'-18' x 5'	Yes	Noisette
Sea Foam	Creamy White	Double	10' x 18'	Yes	Shrub