

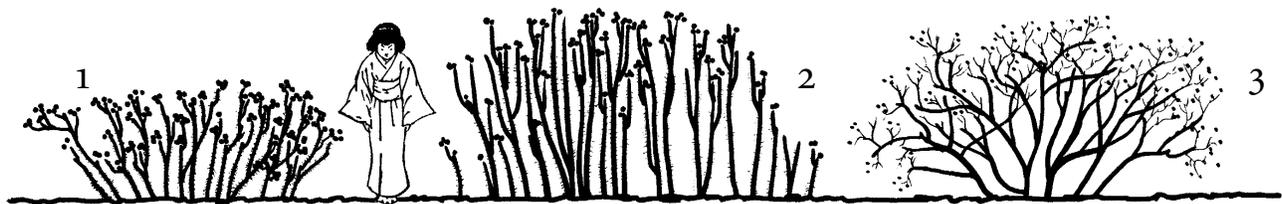
# Rugosas

Hybrids of *Rosa rugosa*, a wild, remontant species from Japan and Korea, were the most successful rose story of the 20th century. Their natural resistance to disease have endeared them to gardeners everywhere, and breeders have gone far using their fine qualities, which include beautiful, dark, corrugated and textured foliage, very fragrant blooms in clusters that appear steadily from early summer until winter, and an abundant production of tasty, edible hips or fruits which are large and showy and quickly turn bright orange to crimson when ripe. Among the hybrids here described are a number which have fallen sadly short of offering all of these fine qualities, and there are some so-called Rugosas which ought never to have been so named. A note to those who spray their roses: many Rugosas actually do not tolerate the surfactants or oils that are used in sprays, so don't spray them at all if you can avoid it.

## Habit

Rugosas follow a fairly tight habit of growth, and can be easily separated into those with more and less of the character of the wild forms.

1. (E.g., FRAU DAGMAR HASTRUP) Those low, suckering shrubs whose canes are upright, somewhat branched and very close-growing.
2. (E.g., *Rosa rugosa alba*) Taller forms of this standard type.
3. (E.g., CAPOROSSO) Those that exhibit more open, branching and arching growth inherited from the other species in their ancestry.



### AGNES

HRg r/fff/3 Saunders, 1922 [RYT]

A Rugosa crossed with PERSIAN YELLOW created this unusual, pale buff-yellow rose which differs not surprisingly from most Rugosas in habit and foliage, being a rather arching grower with dull, yellow-green leaves. The flowers are loosely double, with a pungent-sweet scent.

### AMÉLIE GRAVEREAUX

HRg rrr/fff/3 Gravereaux, 1900 [Pickering]

Handsome, dark, glossy, rugose foliage. Flowers double, informal, rosy-purple, and very fragrant.

ARNOLD—*Missing from our collection.*

### BELLE POITEVINE\*

HRg rrr/fff/2 Bruant, 1894 [unknown]

Long, pointed buds open to fragrant, rose pink to mauve-pink flowers which set a handsome crop of tomato-red fruits that clash terribly with the flowers.

### BLANC DOUBLE DE COUBERT

HRg rrr/fff/2 Cochet-Cochet, 1892 [Matson]

The very whitest of roses with an intoxicating perfume, dark, disease-free foliage and very fine rebloom; flowers double, informal, rather reminiscent of those of its Tea rose parent, MLLÉ. DE SOMBREUIL. Few hips set on this plant.

### BUFFALO GAL

[FOXI, FOXI PAVEMENT]

HRg rrr/fff/3 Uhl, 1989 [SJHRG]

Semi-double flowers of deep lilac-pink, with buff-yellow stamens and a strong sweet fragrance. This vigorous Rugosa is a good setter of hips, and tends to spread and stay low in the manner of FRAU DAGMAR HASTRUP.

### CALOCARPA

[R. × 'CALOCARPA']

HRg r/ff/3 Bruant, 1895 [Pickering]

Soft, flat foliage and an arching habit of growth are lovely foils to the large, single, magenta blossoms, which open flat

with a circle of buff stamens. Good set of red-orange hips, and occasional rebloom. A unique old hybrid that gracefully combines the shrubby beauty of North American species with *Rosa rugosa*.

#### CAPOROSSO

HRg rrr/fff/3 unknown, 19?? [Lykke]  
A cross between a Rugosa and a Floribunda of the INDEPENDENCE type, flowers are muted scarlet with an undertone of crimson which gradually infuses the entire bloom. Very fragrant, repeating steadily. Foliage is soft, rugose, and healthy. Sets an excellent crop of orange hips.

#### CHARLES ALBANEL\*

HRg rr/ff/1 Svedja, 1882 [Hortico]  
Low growing Rugosa hybrid with semi-double crimson flowers. This modern hybrid, like ROTES MEER, offers a lower profile plant with the constitution of a Rugosa.

#### CONRAD FERDINAND MEYER

HRg rrr/fff/3 Muller, 1899 [Matson]  
A very tall and rather stiff grower to 8' or more, with exquisite blooms of Hybrid Tea form, light pink shaded lavender, with a fruity fragrance. Of very hybrid origin, including Tea and Hybrid China, this is a unique creation, with lovely foliage that is rather prone to common rose diseases.

#### DAVID THOMPSON

HRg rrr/fff/2 Svejda, 1979 [Sherman]  
Remarkable in their coloring, if not demanding, the blooms of DAVID THOMPSON are cerise-purple, highlighted with white streaks that clearly come from a China rose ancestor. Very typical and handsome, rugose, glossy foliage that is very clean. Habit is rather lax and procumbent.

#### DELICATA

HRg rrr/fff/3 Cooling, 1898 [Matson]  
Semi-double blooms of a very delicate substance, soft rosy-pink shaded lavender, quite fragrant and productive of bright orange hips. Excellent, rugose foliage with fine fall color; habit restrained.

#### DR. ECKENER

HRg rrr/fff/3 Berger, 1930 [Alexander]  
Very large, flounced blooms of soft buff-primrose tinted warm blush-pink, rather HT-like, though loosely informal. Tall, arching, stout of cane, with foliage atypical of Rugosas. Sweet, fruity, scent.

#### F. J. GROOTENDORST

##### [RED GROOTENDORST]

HRg rrr/f/3 deGoey, 1918 [unknown]  
Deep cherry-crimson with fringed petals that give it the look of an old fashioned dianthus or pink. Lacks scent and rarely forms hips, but a robust grower, excellent repeater, and the flower-clusters are delightful mixed into bouquets. The first of a line of color-sports; I have found them to be quite charming.

#### FERN KEMP\*

HRg rrr/fff/3 Kemp, 1918 [Hartley]  
Semi-double flowers of delicate pink are 4 inches across and very fragrant, a hybrid from CONRAD FERDINAND MEYER and FRAU KARL DRUSCHKI.

#### FIMBRIATA

##### [DIANTHIFLORA]

HRg rrr/fff/3 Morlet, 1891 [Huntington]  
Antecedent of the Grootendorsts, this small, white, double bloom has fringed and feathered petal edges that are sometimes blushed with pale pink. Fragrant, delicate, and produced freely on a handsome, dark-leaved shrub, productive of a modest crop of orange hips.

#### FLAMINGO

HRg rrr/fff/3 Howard, 1956 [Pickering]  
Exquisite single flowers of soft warm-pink, lightly flushed with salmon, with a deep cinnamon-pink boss of stamens. Clearly of hybrid origin, with matte foliage and a graceful, arching habit, able to reach up to 8' or more.

#### FRAU DAGMAR HASTRUP

##### [FRAU DAGMAR HARTOPP]

HRg rrr/fff/1 Hastrup, 1914 [Huntington]  
A most mannerly Rugosa, albeit suckering widely; it is not extremely tall, which makes for happy viewing of the large, single, silvery pink blooms which are etched and veined with soft carmine. Very fragrant, a great producer of hips, blessed with abundant, dark, rugose, healthy foliage.

#### GALLERIA

##### [BIG JOHN]

HRg rrr/fff/3 Weddle, 1990 [Hahn]  
Charming, cupped flowers of pale rose-pink, somewhat informal and loosely double, fragrant and productive of hips, in large clusters on a vigorous, arching shrub. Foliage rugose and large, of hybrid appearance.

#### GERMANICA

##### [GERMANICA B]

HRg rrr/ff/3 Dr. F. Müller, 1900 [SJHRG]  
Small, 3-inch, single, lipstick purple flowers of poppy-like simplicity. The great joy of this plant is its display in autumn when it is covered with an abundance of large round hips, orange-red with persistent spidery sepals.

#### GROOTENDORST SUPREME

HRg rrr/f/3 Grootendorst, 1936 [unknown]  
A very double, somewhat more intensely scarlet-crimson color-sport of the Dianthus-flowered F. J. GROOTENDORST. Tends to rebloom faster.

#### HANSA

HRg rrr/ffff/2 Schaum & Van Tol, 1905 [unknown]  
Richly colored flowers of rose-red tinted violet, very double and cupped, and tending to nod on the bush, this rose has all the fine qualities of the wild Rugosa with much added beauty.

## HENRY HUDSON

HRg rrr/fff/1 Svejda, 1976 [Pickering]  
A fine companion for FRAU DAGMAR HASTRUP, tending to grow lower than the Rugosa type. Attractive semi-double white blooms which cup around their boss of delicate pale yellow stamens. Richly clove-scented, repeating well and making a good crop of hips.

## HOLLANDICA

HRg rrr/fff/3 Spek, 1888 [SJHRG]  
A Rugosa hybrid of Dutch origin, used as an understock for tree roses in Europe; flowers single, deep pink, fragrant. Sets a heavy crop of oval to bottle-shaped fruits of bright orange-red. Unusual foliage, typically Rugosa but with many more leaflets.

## HUNTER

HRg rrr/ff/3 Mattock, 1961 [Pickering]  
Had this been classed a Shrub rather than a Rugosa, it would represent an admirable attempt to infuse Floribundas with the constitution of the Rugosa. It is, however, considered a Rugosa, and must therefore be regarded as a rather unhealthy member of the clan, prone to the pitfalls of other modern roses. Its greatest attribute is large, charmingly double, brilliant cerise-scarlet flowers with good fragrance.

## JENS MUNK

HRg rrr/fff/1 Svejda, 1965 [Hortico]  
Small, rose-pink flowers open cupped and expanded with a large boss of sulfur stamens, deeply scented of allspice. Dense growth and an abundance of healthy foliage, which is divided into 9 to 11 leaflets. A superior Shrub rose.

LADY CURZON—*Missing from our collection.*

## MARY MANNERS

HRg rrr/fff/2 Leicester Rose Co., 1970 [ARE]  
A beautiful white sport of the superb Rugosa SARAH VAN FLEET. Semi-double blooms of great poise and a Damask fragrance, very remontant, but producing few hips. Very bushy and spreading, making a good, soft hedge.

## MARIE BUGNET\*

HRg rrr/fff/3 Bugnet, 1963 [Pickering]  
Round and scalloped flowers of purest white with pale white stamens, MARIE BUGNET's blooms are particularly effective against the pale green foliage.

## MAX GRAF

HRg r/fff/1 Bowditch, 1919 [Pickering]  
Flowers single, cherry-magenta fading to rose-pink with bright, clear-yellow stamens. Being a hybrid with *Rosa wichurana*, MAX GRAF spreads broadly with trailing stems, rather than short, suckering ones as Rugosas usually do, and it roots freely along the ground where its canes can get a foothold. Parent of the famous Kordesii group of modern Shrub roses.

## MME. GEORGES BRUANT

HRg rrr/fff/3 Bruant, 1887 [Pickering]  
Flowers semi-double with large petals, clean white occasionally tinted blush and cream. An heirloom of rose breeding, MME. GEORGES BRUANT is the result of a cross with the old Tea rose MME. DE SOMBREUIL, and exhibits several remarkable Tea characteristics, including a flush of reddish coloring in the new growth, and a markedly Tea rose fragrance.

## MME. JULIEN POTIN\*

HRg rrr/fff/3 Gravereaux, 1913 [Ashdown; Fineschi]  
From Gravereaux of Rosarsie de l'Hay fame and introduced by Cochet-Cochet in 1913, this hybrid Rugosa was derived from the species pollinated by GLOIRE DE DIJON. Flowers are a pure carnation pink, large, double but not full so they open flat and recurrent in clusters. Foliage is leathery and growth is vigorous. Armed with typical Rugosa prickles.

## MOJE HAMMARBERG

HRg rrr/fff/2 Hammarberg, 1931 [Pickering]  
Very wide, semi-double blooms of rosy-plum with a dense boss of pale yellow stamens; excellent rugose foliage, light green and very healthy. Sets a fine crop of scarlet hips. A rather unusual Rugosa that is rarely seen anymore.

## MRS. ANTHONY WATERER

HRg rr/fff/3 Waterer, 1898 [Pickering]  
A very large, arching grower with bright rose-red blooms, semi-double, petals opening partly to reveal golden stamens. An elegant and handsome shrub that is less Rugosa-like than many but still a very healthy and care-free plant.

## MRS. DOREEN PIKE

HRg rrr/fff/3 Austin, 1994 [Heirloom]  
Large full-petaled flowers with an old-fashioned form, rather like a pink version of SOUVENIR DE PHILEMON COCHET. Fragrant, with all the fine qualities of true Rugosas. A rarity from David Austin, who has not introduced a very wide range of rose types from his breeding program.

## NOVA ZEMBLA

HRg rr/fff/3 Mees, 1907 [Alexander]  
A white sport of the famous CONRAD FERDINAND MEYER, that blushes just slightly with pink; flowers large, with large petals, informally arrayed, cupped and reflexed.

## NYVELDT'S WHITE

HRg rrr/fff/2 Nyveldt, 1955 [Hahn; Beales]  
Immense, single, clean white flowers of crisp form, spicily scented and productive of an abundance of scarlet-orange hips. Very dense and upright, creating one of the best barriers available in a rose. Our great thanks to Siegfried Hahn for sending us this excellent Rugosa.

## PINK GROOTENDORST

HRg rrr/ff/3 Grootendorst, 1923 [unknown]  
The lovely, rose-pink sport of F. J. GROOTENDORST, the dianthus-like flowers becoming extremely appealing with this softer color. More fragrant than its sport-parent. No hips.

## PINK SURPRISE\*

HRg (SpX) rrr/fff/3 Lens, 1987 [Belovich]  
 Very large, very perfectly rounded and styled flowers of pearl pink with a spicy, fresh scent. This seedling attests to Louis Lens' great genius as a breeder of modern shrub roses. Very scarce in North America.

## RITAUSMA

["RITAMMA"]

HRg rrr/fff/2 Rieksta, 1963 [SJHRG]  
 Slim buds of soft blush and light pink, large outer petals that diminish in size toward the center, the color deepens likewise to a cheerful warm pink.

*Rosa rugosa alba*

Sp rrr/fff/2 unknown, bef. 187 [Robinson, from seed]  
 Like all true Rugosas this has beautiful polished and quilted foliage that is very disease resistant. *Rosa rugosa alba*'s single white flowers are pure, clean and simple and form large red hips throughout the summer and fall.

*Rosa rugosa kamtchatica*—Missing from our collection.

*Rosa rugosa* × *Rosa nipponica*\*

HRg rr/fff/1 unknown, unknown [SJHRG]  
 A great mystery at this point; we have found no reference to a *Rosa nipponica*. Perhaps *R. acicularis nipponensis* is meant. A dense, thorny shrub, this has beautiful foliage and small pale flowers, nearly white, with a spicy fragrance.

*Rosa rugosa rubra*

Sp rrr/fff/1 unknown, 1796 [unknown]  
 Large silky single flowers of deep raspberry pink, a reflective and very lively color imbues this simple wild rose. It fruits heavily from late summer onward, accumulating a mass of soft, edible orange hips.

## ROSE À PARFUM DE L'HAÏ

HRg rrr/fff/3 Gravereaux, 1901 [Pickering]  
 Cupped, semi-double rose-red blooms of intense fragrance. Though derived in part from a Hybrid Perpetual, this bears almost typical Rugosa foliage, but sets few hips.

## ROSE AIE DE L'HAÏ

HRg rrr/fff/3 Cochet-Cochet, 1901 [Matson]  
 Flowers much more in the style of a Hybrid Perpetual than those of ROSE À PARFUM DE L'HAÏ, very large, rose-crimson with a blend of clove and Damask rose in the fragrance. A poor producer of hips.

## ROTES MEER\*

[PURPLE PAVEMENT]

HRg rrr/fff/1 Baum, 1986 [Hortico]  
 Semi-double flowers of plum purple on a plant with very typical Rugosa qualities, though the plant tends to spread in a more prostrate way than most of this class. Good rebloom and fragrance!

## RUGOSA MAGNIFICA

HRg rrr/fff/2 Van Fleet, 1905 [Matson]  
 Wide, large flowers of many petals which open flat to reveal pale, straw-colored petals; blooms deep crimson-purple and highly fragrant. Stance upright and dense, foliage superb. Produces very large and fleshy scarlet hips.

## RUSKIN

HRg rrr/fff/3 Van Fleet, 1928 [Alexander]  
 Immense crimson-purple blooms, petals long, twisted, creating a great tousled bow of color. Growth rather tall and arching with light-green foliage. Hips are rare. Named for John Ruskin, the famous Victorian critic and philosopher.

SANGUINAIRE—Missing from our collection.

## SARAH VAN FLEET

HRg rrr/fff/2 Van Fleet, 1926 [Pickering]  
 An extremely charming Rugosa of cupped, rose-pink flowers and pale stamens, semi-double, rich with the fragrance of a Hybrid Tea, fruity and Damask-scented. Very dense growing with light-green, soft foliage. No hips. A lovely combination with SARAH is her sport, MARY MANNERS.

## SCABROSA

HRg rrr/fff/2 Harkness, 1950 [Huntington]  
 Smallish, very elegant, rose-purple blooms, borne singly and in clusters which open several flowers at once. Small, berry-sized hips produced prolifically. With the character of the wild Rugosas and their inimitable charm. Makes a sturdy, rugose-foliaged shrub.

## SCHNEEKOPPE

HRg rrr/fff/1 Baum, 1984 [SJHRG]  
 One of a group of hybrids by Baum of Germany developed as lower-growing Rugosas. SCHNEEKOPPE produces an tireless supply of blush pink buds which open to semi-double cups of crushed petals revealing a circle of creamy stamens.

## SCHNEEZWERG

[SNOW DWARF]

HRg rrr/fff/1 Lambert, 1912 [Pickering]  
 Rather formal little blooms, semi-double, bleached white and pertly starched in appearance, with soft golden-yellow stamens. Fragrant and fruitful, with dark foliage, rugose, and quite small.

## SIGNE RELANDER

HRg rrr/fff/3 Poulsen, 1928 [Alexander]  
 Very like GROOTENDORST SUPREME in appearance, with fringed petals, small flowers mindful of old-fashioned clove pinks, deep red. This, however, is fragrant, a quality it shares with FIMBRIATA, another dianthus-flowered Rugosa.

## SIR HENRY

HRg rrr/fff/2 Kordes, 1988 [SJHRG]  
 An interesting recent hybrid from Kordes with semi-double flowers of satiny mauve, very fragrant and productive of hips.

## SIR THOMAS LIPTON\*

Rug rrr/fff/3 Van Fleet, 1900 [Alexander]  
An interesting creation from Walter Van Fleet; *Rosa rugosa alba* × CLOTILDE SOUPERT, the fragrant old Polyantha. Tall growing and very fragrant. Flowers are pure white and cupped, with excellent recurrence.

## SNOWDON\*

HRg rr/ff/3 Austin, 1989 [Hortico]  
David Austin's foray into breeding new Rugosas has resulted in some rather interesting plants; SNOWDON rapidly grows into a large, arching and mounding shrub with handsome, healthy foliage, and charming flowers, semi-double, spicy in fragrance and incredibly prolific. Rebloom is excellent in the fall.

## SOUVENIR DE CHRISTOPHE COCHET\*

HRg (HP) rrr/fff/3 Cochet-Cochet, 1894 [Hortico]  
This pink hybrid Rugosa comes from the famous Cochet family of breeders in France. Rich pink flowers with a spicy, clove scent, full of petals. Not a heavy bearer of fruit. Could be classed an HP.

## SOUVENIR DE PHILÉMON COCHET

HRg rrr/fff/2 Cochet-Cochet, 1899 [Pickering]  
A sport of BLANC DOUBLE DE COUBERT, and in many ways superior to the parent. Flowers are extremely double, making an anemone form of wide outer guard petals and a crown of smaller central ones. Very fragrant and beautiful. Sharing the one flaw of the sport-parent, a tendency to retain the brown, aging blooms.

## THÉRÈSE BUGNET

HRg rrr/fff/3 Bugnet, 1950 [Matson]  
Long a favorite of old rose lovers, THÉRÈSE BUGNET deserves the admiration. Blowzy, semi-double crimson-pink blooms fading to rose, small soft foliage, reddish canes, and remarkably brilliant crimson foliage in the fall. Damask-scented. Produces many small, bright red hips.

## THUSNELDA

HRg r/ffff/3 Muller, 1886 [Pickering]  
Large pearly-pink flowers of Tea-Noisette style, derived from its parent, GLOIRE DE DIJON. Though rarely offering more than an occasional late bloom, THUSNELDA is well worth growing. Its great fragrance and individual character set it apart from others in this group, despite its typical rugose foliage.

## TROLLHÄTTEN

HRg rrr/fff/2 Essunga Planteskole, unknown [SJHRG]  
Delightful, large flowers are composed of large, fluffed and twisted petals of rosy lilac that blush irregularly to pale lavender pink, arranged in a charmingly abandoned way about a boss of stamens.

## VANGUARD

HRg rr/fff/3 Stevens, 1932 [Sherman]  
A vigorous shrub in the West, bearing large, loosely-double silken blooms of salmon-blush, with a fruity and pungent fragrance. Foliage is atypical for a Rugosa, being glossy, and the overall appearance of the plant barely hints at its Rugosa heritage. An exquisite shrub rose for milder climates.

## WASAGAMING\*

HRg rrr/ff/1 Skinner, 1939 [Alexander/SJHRG]  
WASAGAMING is a very abundant bloomer with dense growth and handsome foliage to complete the picture; a result of crossing *Rosa acicularis*, a hardy, North American native rose with *R. rugosa*. Double, deep rose pink flowers with a light, spicy fragrance.

## WHITE GROOTENDORST

HRg rrr/ff/3 Eddy, 1962 [unknown]  
The white color-sport of PINK GROOTENDORST, and perhaps the most elegant of the group; offering the same dianthus-like, fimbriated petals, very double, in large clusters; an excellent cut flower. The golden-yellow fall foliage is beautiful, but like the rest of its family, it sets no hips.

## WHITE HEDGE

HRg rrr/fff/2 France, unknown [SJHRG]  
An upright grower with large, single white flowers. Ideal for hedging, as the stems are very staunch and closely packed.

## WILL ALDERMAN

HRg rrr/fff/2 Skinner, 1954 [Alexander]  
Richly scented blooms of deep lilac, double but revealing touches of the yellow anthers within. Tough, hardy and very fragrant. Our special thanks to Conrad Alexander of Ohio who has generously offered to share this and many other Rugosas from his collection.