



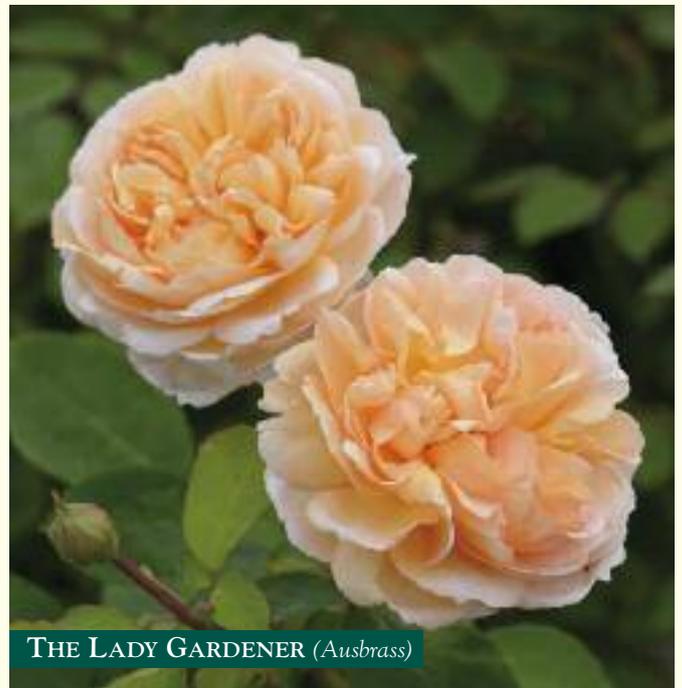
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FOUR NEW ENGLISH ROSES FOR 2013

THE LADY GARDENER

(English Old Rose Hybrid)

This is a particularly interesting rose in that it is the first in the English Old Rose group which has apricot flowers. These are large, about 4" across, and of a beautiful shade of rich pure apricot that pales towards the outside of the bloom. They are of a rosette shape and very full petalled with a large button eye that gradually opens up; the petals loosely arranged in a quartered formation. Altogether an excellent garden plant that will repeat flower quickly, stand up well to rain and stay very healthy. There is a particularly lovely and strong Tea fragrance which has hints of cedar wood and vanilla. It will reach a height of 3-4ft and about 2½ft across, depending on how it is pruned. (David Austin 2013, Ausbrass).

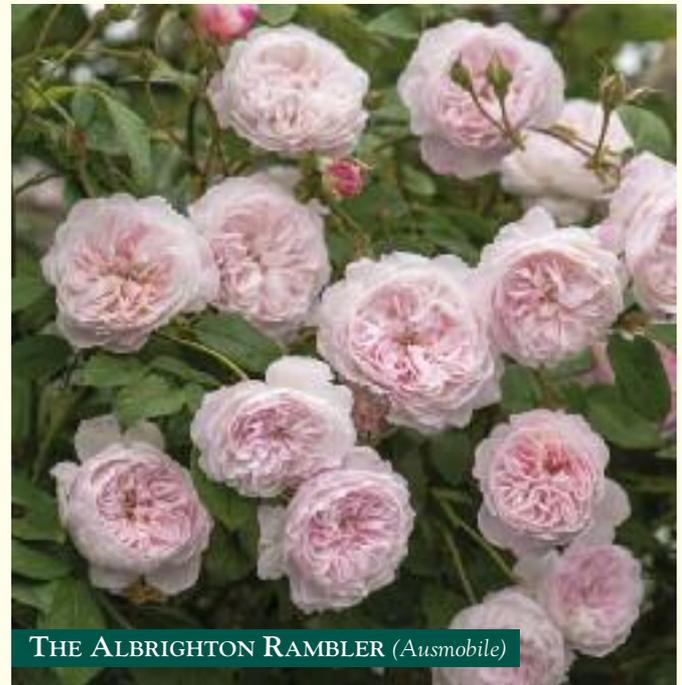


THE LADY GARDENER (*Ausbrass*)

THE ALBRIGHTON RAMBLER

(English Musk Hybrid)

We have only introduced two repeat-flowering ramblers so far – ‘Snow Goose’ and ‘Malvern Hills’ – and so we are very excited to be introducing a third. Unlike most ramblers that have single or semi-double flowers, ‘The Albrighton Rambler’ has small, cup-shaped, perfectly formed flowers of softest pink that pale to blush. The petals are beautifully arranged with a little button eye; the overall appearance being one of exceptional prettiness and charm. The blooms are held in large sprays and hang gracefully on the branch. As it repeat flowers well, we expect it to reach a height of around 10 or 12ft or perhaps more. It is an exceptionally healthy variety that will do well with little attention and the flowers are not affected by rain. There is a light musky fragrance typical of the Sempervirens hybrids.



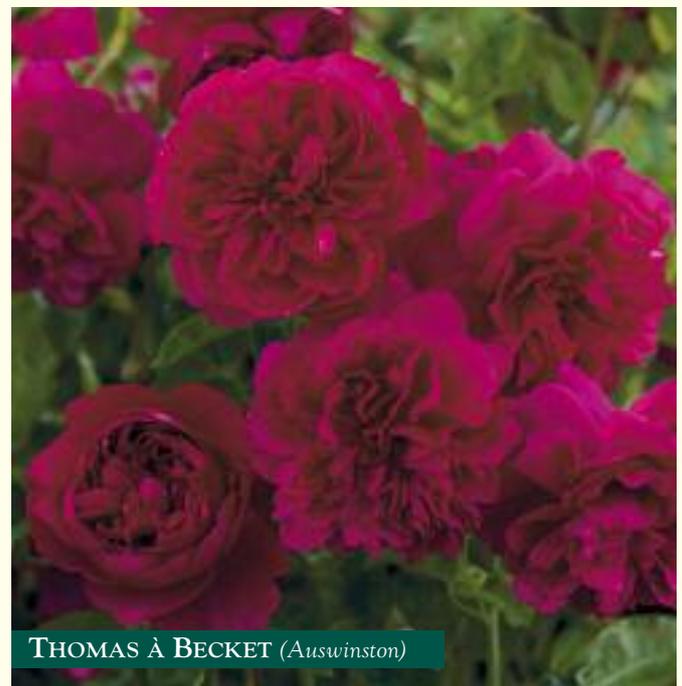
THE ALBRIGHTON RAMBLER (*Ausmobile*)

Named for the village of Albrighton, where our Nursery is located. (David Austin 2013, Ausmobile).

THOMAS À BECKET

(Some Other English Roses)

This is a variety of very different character from the general run of English Roses, being rather closer to the Species Roses than to the Old Roses and more natural and shrubby in growth. The individual flowers can best be described as shallowly cupped, opening as informal rosettes; the petals quickly reflexing as the flowers age. They are held in medium-sized heads; the individual blooms nodding attractively on the stem. They have an Old Rose fragrance with a strong lemon zest character. The colour is difficult to describe or even photograph: the best we can say is an attractive light red paling to carmine red. This variety is best used where an informal shrub is required. A particularly strong and healthy variety. 4 x 3ft or more, according to pruning.



THOMAS À BECKET (*Auswinston*)

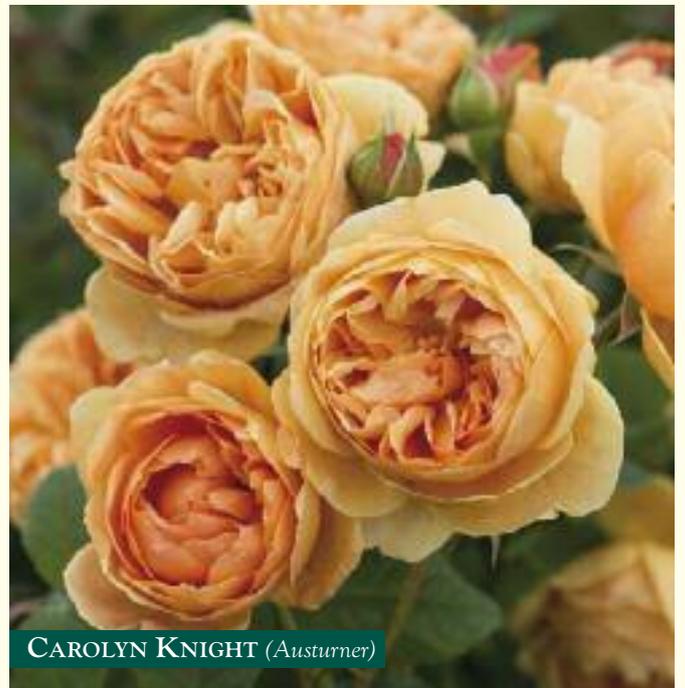
We were asked to name this rose for Canterbury Cathedral and were very pleased to do so. (David Austin 2013, Auswinston).

CAROLYN KNIGHT

(English Leander Hybrid)

We find that the occasional variety will, after a few years, produce a sport – in other words a plant that varies in just one character, usually colour. In the past 'Mary Rose' has sported to 'Winchester Cathedral' and 'The Mayflower' to 'Susan Williams-Ellis'. Here we have another; 'Summer Song' has sported from its usual striking burnt orange colour to a distinctive shade of soft gold. At the bud stage the colour is a most beautiful shade of apricot complete with the lovely pink bloom that you get on real apricots. All other characters are the same as 'Summer Song', the young flowers are quite rounded opening up into large, fully double, cupped-shaped flowers which hang gracefully on the stem. The fragrance of the individual flowers varies but there is always a background of honey (especially in the young flowers), almond, myrrh and a hint of blackcurrant with additional hints of Old Rose and Tea. It has depth, warmth and complexity. The growth is vigorous, upright and almost thornless. With its relatively tall upright growth it would be most effectively used towards the back of the border with shorter subjects in front of it. 4 x 3ft.

Carolyn Knight was a great help to the nursery in the early days when she helped with various aspects of design. Sadly she passed away recently. (David Austin 2013, Austurner).



These varieties will be available to order as bare root roses after their launch at the Chelsea Flower Show on May 20th, 2013. To place an order or to request a catalogue, visit:

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