



DISCOVER

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Dugald MacKenzie

ROSE  
GARDEN

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The colour, the fragrance! From Titanic to Friesia, from Kiwi to Warrior, the blooms of the Dugald MacKenzie Rose Garden are **a feast for the senses.**

One of New Zealand's and the world's finest rose gardens, this Palmerston North **treasure** features generous beds of over 100 varieties of beautiful roses.

ALL YOU NEED TO  
DO IS GET INTO IT!



# INTRODUCTION

## **Located within the Victoria Esplanade Gardens**

at the southern entrance to Palmerston North, the Dugald MacKenzie Rose Garden offers a spectacular sight in summer.

Wander through the garden's 4.3 acres and you'll see classics such as Sexy Remy, Margaret Merrill and Loving Memory. You'll also see the newest of varieties, roses undergoing trial before being officially recognised and commercially released. Recognised internationally, the Dugald MacKenzie Rose Garden received The Garden of Excellence Award in 2003 from the 39 member World Rose Federation. The award marks the garden as one of the five top rose gardens in the world.

## **DID YOU KNOW?...**

The garden opened in 1968. Dugald MacKenzie was a past city Superintendent of Reserves (1946-1966) who was instrumental in developing the Victoria Esplanade Gardens.

# A PARK FOR ALL SEASONS

**While the roses are in bloom from early November to May, camellia borders provide for winter interest.**

And, year-round, the garden sees plenty of activity. Throughout the flowering season parks staff remove spent flower heads to promote new growth and flowers. Pruning begins in June, followed by feeding and mulching.

A programme of spraying starts in Spring (September) and lasts through May.



# A PROVING GROUND

Palmerston North's central location and ideal rose growing climate made the Dugald MacKenzie Rose Garden the location of choice for two national proving grounds. In 1969 The National Rose Society of New Zealand established the National Rose Trial Gardens in the north end of the grounds. Roses undergoing trial are judged over two years on their habit and growth, health, freedom of flower, flower quality and fragrance. Roses that achieve 70 points and that are to be released commercially are awarded a Certificate of Merit. The rose achieving the highest points is awarded The Gold Star of the South Pacific. The Silver Star of the City of Palmerston North is awarded to the rose from an amateur breeder gaining the highest points for the Certificate of Merit.

**For more information about the trial garden visit New Zealand Rose Society [www.nzroses.org.nz](http://www.nzroses.org.nz) or email [rosetrialgroundspn@paradise.net.nz](mailto:rosetrialgroundspn@paradise.net.nz)**

At the south end of the garden lies the country's Plant Variety Rights Trial Beds for garden roses. These grounds provide for the testing of roses submitted by growers. Over one season (June to the following May) the leaves and flowers are measured and photographed as part of determining a variety's distinctiveness, uniformity and stability. If rights are granted, royalties can apply for each bush sold. Roses gaining protection rights are moved into the reference collection for the period the rights apply, up to 23 years.

**For more information about the Plant Variety Rights garden see the website [www.pvr.govt.nz](http://www.pvr.govt.nz)**



# FIND YOUR FAVOURITE BLOOMS!



Queen Wilhelmina	<b>1</b>	Matawhero Magic	<b>30</b>	Heaven Scent	<b>58</b>	Fresia	<b>86</b>
Midnight Blue	<b>2</b>	Mary Rose	<b>31</b>	Margaret Merrill	<b>59</b>	New Zealand	<b>87</b>
Absolutely Fabulous	<b>3</b>	Trial Winner	<b>32</b>	Sunline	<b>60</b>	Hayley Westenra	<b>88</b>
My Girl	<b>4</b>	Trial Winner	<b>33</b>	Beauty Star	<b>61</b>	Eyeopener	<b>89</b>
Outta The Blue	<b>5</b>	Trial Winner	<b>34</b>	Gold Dust	<b>62</b>	Bertha Aikman	<b>90</b>
Michelangelo	<b>6</b>	Trial Winner	<b>35</b>	Sheilas Perfume	<b>63</b>	Kerryman	<b>91</b>
Glorious	<b>7</b>	Warrior	<b>36</b>	Diamonds Forever	<b>64</b>	Waimarie	<b>93</b>
Dear One	<b>8</b>	Loving Care	<b>37</b>	Rob Roy	<b>65</b>	My Mum	<b>94</b>
Crimson Bouquet	<b>9</b>	Desire	<b>38</b>	Colleen	<b>66</b>	The Lady	<b>95</b>
Ivey Hall	<b>10</b>	Paola	<b>39</b>	Titanic	<b>67</b>	Hamilton Gardens	<b>96</b>
Pavarotti	<b>11</b>	Easy Going	<b>40</b>	Massey University	<b>68</b>	Tropical Delight	<b>97</b>
Golden Centennial	<b>12</b>	Paddy Stephens	<b>41</b>	Raspberry Ice	<b>69</b>	Red Flame	<b>A</b>
White Romance	<b>14</b>	Carolyn	<b>42</b>	Perfect Moment	<b>70</b>	Golden Future	<b>B</b>
Wise Woman	<b>15</b>	Class Act	<b>43</b>	Andrea Jane	<b>71</b>	Arrowtown	<b>C</b>
Lasting Love	<b>16</b>	Topsy Turvy	<b>44</b>	Fellowship	<b>72</b>	Sky Tower	<b>D</b>
Burgundy Iceberg	<b>17</b>	Aotearoa	<b>45</b>	Royal Philharmonic	<b>73</b>	Sugar Plum	<b>E</b>
Golden Tribute	<b>18</b>	The McCartney Rose	<b>46</b>	Starship	<b>74</b>	Warm Welcome	<b>F</b>
Esperanza	<b>19</b>	Loving Memory	<b>47</b>	Anna Leese	<b>75</b>	Leaping Salmon	<b>G</b>
Lantern	<b>20</b>	Topsy Turvy	<b>48</b>	Clodagh McGredy	<b>76</b>	Top Brass	<b>H</b>
Escapade	<b>21</b>	Dark Moments	<b>49</b>	Double Delight	<b>77</b>	Love Knot	<b>I</b>
Amazon	<b>22</b>	Heart Throb	<b>50</b>	Modern Miss	<b>78</b>	Snow Waltz	<b>J</b>
Pacific Glory	<b>23</b>	Love Heart	<b>51</b>	Nelson Girls	<b>79</b>	Patio Honey	<b>K</b>
Sexy Remy	<b>24</b>	Blackberry Nip	<b>52</b>	Tropical Skies	<b>80</b>	Laura Ford	<b>L</b>
Auckland Metro	<b>25</b>	Lynda Cheryl	<b>53</b>	Racy Lady	<b>81</b>	Westfalenpark	<b>M</b>
Wild Cherry	<b>26</b>	Millennium	<b>54</b>	Gisborne 2000	<b>82</b>	Patio Queen	<b>N</b>
French Lace	<b>27</b>	Marys Love	<b>55</b>	Warrior	<b>83</b>	Good As Gold	<b>O</b>
Fond Memories	<b>28</b>	Precious Platinum	<b>56</b>	Wild Cat	<b>84</b>	Patio Princess	<b>P</b>
Kiwi	<b>29</b>	Tintinara	<b>57</b>	Serendipity	<b>85</b>	Tafeta	<b>Q</b>



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