List of Rose Varieties

Pathway Bed ........... Carefree Delight
Entry Bed: .......... Bride’s Dream, Margaret Merrill
Bed 1 ............. Beverly, Red Knockout
Bed 2 ............ Queen Elizabeth, Gold Medal, Olympiad, Touch of Class, Sweet Afton
Bed 3 .......... Veterans’ Honor
Bed 5 .......... Candelabra, Twilight Zone, Tiffany, Garden Party, Electron, Folklore, Tropicana, Secret, Ch’Ching, Gemini, Memorial Day
Climber .......... Fourth of July on Pillars
Bed 6 .......... Sexy Rexy, Macy’s Pride, Don Juan
Bed 7 .......... Scentimental
Bed 8 .......... Cinco de Mayo
Bed 9 .......... Orange Sensation
Bed 10 ........ Kimberlina
Bed 11 .......... Livin’ Easy, Sunrise Sunset, Don Juan
Bed 12 .......... Iceberg
Bed 13 .......... Black Cherry
Bed 14 .......... Julia Child, Sheila’s Perfume
Bed 15 .......... Passionate Kisses
Bed 16 .......... Day Breaker, Hot Cocoa
Bed 17 .......... Sun Flare, Sun Sprite
Bed 18 .......... All American Rose Selection varieties
Bed 19 .......... AARS varieties
Bed 18 .......... Carefree Celebration, Brother Cadfael, Graham Thomas, Othello
Bed 19 .......... Susan William-Ellis, Heritage, Henry Hudson, Daydream
Bed 20 .......... Hot Tamale, Rise ‘N Shine, Tennessee
Bed 21 .......... Pink Knockout, Popcorn Drift
Bed 22 .......... Rainbow’s End, Pierreine, Old Glory
Bed 23 .......... Morden Centennial, Morden Blush, Morden Ruby
Bed 24 .......... Pearlie Mae, Amiga Mia, Griff’s Red, Prairie Harvest, Winter Sunset, Blanc Double de Coubert
Bed 25 .......... Earthsong, Carefree Spirit, Pink Double Knockout, Honey Sweet, Quietness
Bed 26 .......... Starry Night, Lady Elsie May, Red Fairy
Bed 27 .......... Linda Campbell, Ballerina
Bed 28 .......... Bonica, Carefree Wonder

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Clare and Miles Mills Rose Garden
This historic garden has been a favorite spot for gardeners, strollers, artists, senior and family pictures, and wedding parties since the 1930s. It is an All-American Rose Selection Public Display Garden.

The Original Garden
Planning was initiated in 1929 by the Des Moines Garden Club and the Club’s Founders Group. Landscape architect Harlan Bartholomew prepared the general plans and Des Moines architect Amos Emery designed the limestone pillars, benches, tea houses, and flagstone walks. In 1932, noted landscape architect Harold Pharnham completed the central garden’s detailed planting plans for more than 200 varieties of roses. It also included background plantings of shrub roses, climbing roses, lilacs, and evergreens. With both private and public support, the garden was completed in May of 1933.

In 2002, the garden’s name became the Clare and Miles Mills Rose Garden.

Garden Information
The garden is 4.5 acres in size. There are 100 different varieties, over 2,000 roses, including hybrid teas, grandiflora, floribundas, shrub, climbers, miniatures, tree roses and All-American Rose Selection. As you walk through the garden all the roses are labeled to educate about each variety.

Volunteer Information
Volunteers are fundamental to Des Moines Parks and Recreation. For more information on volunteering in the Clare and Miles Mills Rose Garden, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, at parksvolunteer@dmgov.org or 515-248-6380.

Rental Information
The Rose Garden is available for rental for weddings or other events. Please check our website www.dmparks.org or 515-237-1386.

Financial Support
In many ways, improvements at the Clare and Miles Mills Rose Garden illustrate how highly successful results can be achieved by Public and private cooperative efforts. Staff of Des Moines Park and Recreation Department invites input and participation by interested individuals.

Private financial support is vital to the Garden’s future. Tax deductible contributions may be made to:

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