

(NAPSA)—It can be easier than many realize to make your garden an inviting retreat for family and friends. There are few more rewarding plants than roses. These tips can help to turn your garden into a flowery oasis:

• A sweet spot. Roses like six or more hours of sunshine a day and they need air to circulate around them to keep disease at bay. So find a sunny spot that's not too crowded.



Julia Child rose, All-America Rose Selections (AARS)–winning rose 2006.

• Stay hydrated. A new plant needs plenty of water to get situated in its new home. Give the plant a good soaking once or twice a week, depending on how hot it is.

• The right rose. The All-America Rose Selections (AARS) awards its annual red rose logo only to new roses that pass years of testing in all climates. Get the ones most suited to your soil and you can enjoy a proven performer year after year.

For rose care tips and to find a nearby garden center, visit www.rose.org.