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AMERICAN GARDEN ROSE SELECTIONS ANNOUNCES 2020 WINNERS

*Seven roses take home honors in national testing program
that recognizes roses on a regional basis.*

Asheville, NC: The American Gardens Rose Selections (AGRS) testing program has announced its selections for 2020 at the recent Biltmore International Rose Trials.

The AGRS testing program is considered the successor organization to All American Rose Selections. AGRS recognizes roses that are easy to care for, disease-resistant and suitable for different regions of the country. In addition, awards are given for fragrance to help guide consumers who desire roses for their fragrance.

The 2020 AGRS winners are:

- **Belinda's Blush** - Regional Choice Award Winner in the Northwest, Southeast and South Central Regions. Bred by G. Michael Shoup. Introduced by The Antique Rose Emporium.
- **Canyon Road** - Regional Choice Award Winner in the Northeast, Northwest and South Central Regions. Bred by Meiland. Introduced by Star Roses & Plants.
- **Cole's Settlement** - Regional Choice Award Winner in the South Central, Southwest and Northwest Regions. Bred by G. Michael Shoup. Introduced by The Antique Rose Emporium.
- **Lemon Fizz** - Regional Choice Award Winner in the Northwest, South Central and Southwest Regions. Bred by Kordes. Introduced by Star Roses & Plants.
- **Naga Belle™** - Regional Choice Warm Climate Award in the Northwest, South Central, and Southeast Regions. Bred by M.S. Viraraghavan. Introduced by The Antique Rose Emporium.
- **Princesse Charlene de Monaco** - Fragrance Award Winner. Bred by Meiland. Introduced by Star Roses & Plants.
- **Wedding Bells** - Regional Choice Award Winner in the Northwest, Southeast and South Central Regions. Bred by Kordes. Introduced by Star Roses & Plants.

All roses entered into the AGRS are tested for two years in six different geographical regions, each containing two test gardens. Additional characteristics that are evaluated include: vigor, foliage proportion, plant habit, flowering effect, rebloom habit, bloom form, aging quality of blooms, fragrance and hardiness. In order for a variety to be granted an award, it must average at least 80 out of 100 points in at least three regions.

By recognizing and recommending the best garden-worthy rose varieties for the various regions of the United States through testing, the AGRS has the goal of providing objective and reliable information to the general public.

To learn more about the American Garden Rose Selections, visit americangardenroseselections.com.