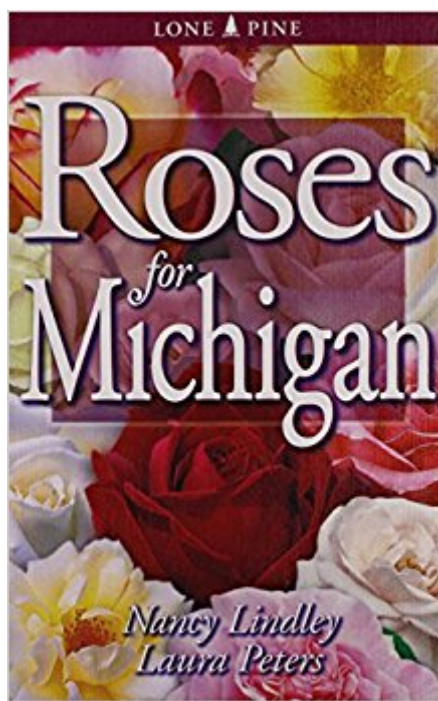


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Roses For Michigan



Synopsis

A practical and beautifully photographed guide to over 100 recommended roses for Michigan. This commonsense resource covers the most important information concerning each of the recommended varieties. Enjoy the more than 300 full-color photographs as you read where to plant roses, which roses will do best in your garden, how to purchase, plant and care for different kinds of roses, protect the plants over the winter and identify and treat various pests and diseases that can attack rose plants. The book is divided into nine sections: species roses, hybrid teas, floribunda, grandiflora, old garden, climber and rambler, miniature, groundcover and modern shrub.

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Customer Reviews

"Roses for Michigan" was a real eye-opener for me. The only kinds of roses I'd previously had any luck with were war horses like Bonica and Blaze. Now I'm emboldened by this book to try some of my catalogue favorites: the lilac floribunda "Blueberry Hill," the beautiful red climber "Dublin Bay," and the hybrid tea rose "Dainty Bess" with her strong scent of cloves and unusual burgundy stamens. I live out in the boonies, so I order my roses through catalogues and the web. The authors of "Roses for Michigan" admonish me to be cautious when ordering from southern and western rose growers, as their roses "may be grafted onto Dr. Huey rootstock, which is not well-suited, in the long term, to Michigan." Maybe that's been my problem all along with grafted roses, because "Bonica" and "Blaze" are own-root. I checked out my favorite California catalogue, and they do not specify their root stock. I also wonder whether local nurseries get their roses from California. At any rate, the

authors recommend buying grafted roses on "Rosa Multiflora" rootstock for Michigan gardens, or better yet, buy own-root plants. As with all of the Lone Pine garden books for Michigan, all aspects of buying and caring for roses are discussed, including a very useful chapter on planting roses. As I read through this chapter I began to realize why most of my attempts at introducing new roses were failures. Did you know that the recommended depth for the bud graft to be buried in colder areas (such as our state) is three to four inches? At the back of this book is a list of resources for Michigan rosarians: gardens to visit; rose societies and clubs; garden centers and suppliers; websites; and books. I just wish there could have been more advice in "Roses for Michigan" on how to prevent critters like deer, ground hogs, and rabbits from nibbling on my roses.

If you live in any zone 5 or colder state and you're interested in growing roses this should be on your book shelf. Toss most guides which concentrate on tender Hybrid Teas and floribundas. This book will give you good information for growing roses in our weather, from selecting varieties to planting, to care. The book includes a huge section of rose variety information including a photograph of each rose, hardiness information, disease resistance, etc. The title says Michigan but really anyone living in zone 5 or colder will get great advice from this book.

"Roses for Michigan" has everything in it that you need to know, to grow fantastic roses in colder climates. I can't say enough about this great book...other than if you don't have it....you better get it!! Thanks for the great book!!

This outstandingly useful book helped our Historical Society select roses for a display garden to be planted this summer. I highly recommend it.

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