

**2017 AUSTRALIAN BRED  
ROSE OF THE YEAR  
*LOVE'S GIFT*- George Thomson  
Bred for Australian conditions**

*Love's Gift* is a shrub rose bred by one of Australia's leading rose breeders George Thomson of South Australia and was introduced by Ross Roses in 2001. This rose is a tough disease resistant variety that thrives in Australia's hot climate. A vigorous rose that is a truly spectacular sight when in full flower. The ivory white petals age to deep pink which increases to red as the flower is exposed to more sunlight -the hotter the day the richer the colour.

*Love's Gift* needs space as it can grow up to 2m tall and 2m wide and can be easily shaped into a tall hedge. The bush has thick attractive dark glossy green foliage and the flowers are predominantly born singularly per stem and occasionally in small clusters. As cut flower it has a reasonably good vase life. Regularly seen on the show bench *Love's Gift* has won numerous awards. Bred for Australia's harsh conditions *Love's Gift* is in Ross Roses True Blue Collection, a group of recommended Australian bred roses.



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