



BUY AUSTRALIAN

AUSTRALIAN BRED ROSE OF THE MONTH

Black Boy-Bred for Australian conditions

July 2017

an initiative of AusrosePromotions

Black Boy is one of the most popular Alister Clark bred roses. Growing to a height of 4m Black Boy will climb over just about everything in its path creating a very impressive display. The blooms are full petalled, dark crimson with a spicy sweet scent. It is a repeat bloomer and well suited to the harsh Australian climate. There is some controversy with this rose as in its heyday demand outstripped supply and it is alleged some unscrupulous nurserymen sold other red climbers as Black Boy.

**Australian Bred
Roses of the Year**

2013 Joyce Abounding

2014 Flemington Racecourse

2015 Imp

2016 China Sunrise

Australian Bred

Roses of the Month 2017

February-Rae Dungan

March-Tahlia

April-Delicious

May-Sharon Louise

June-Our Rosamond

July-Black Boy



Alister

Alister Clark was one of the most prolific of the early Australian rose breeders, who between 1912 and 1949 released 122 varieties, most of which were given to charities for fund-raising or to friends after whom the roses were named. Three of Clark's roses namely Lorraine Lee, Blackboy and Nancy Hayward remain popular and are still purchased today. Unfortunately only 66 of those bred remain available and 60 of these can be found in the Alister Clark Memorial Rose Garden situated in Bulla, Victoria.