



BUY AUSTRALIAN

AUSTRALIAN BRED ROSE OF THE MONTH

Black Boy

Bred for Australian conditions

07 July 2021

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
2017 Love's Gift
2018 Amazing Grace
2019 My Yellow
2020 Dusky Moon

Australian Bred Roses of the Month 2021

January - Brindabella Pride
February - 65 Roses
March - Mary Delahunty
April - 100 Not Out
May - Orpheus
June - Our Rosamond



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.

