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2027 Roses On Order

By Melanie Potter



'Be Good' from Star Roses



'Brick House Yellow' from Star Roses

I was inundated with roses in September when I visited the International Rose Test Garden in Portland's Washington Park where more than 10,000 rose bushes were in bloom.

I spotted so many that are offered for sale in San Diego and will be available shortly, when bare root season arrives. Others were unfamiliar to me and some are to be seen as they are new for 2027. So, let's take a look at the roses released for 2027.

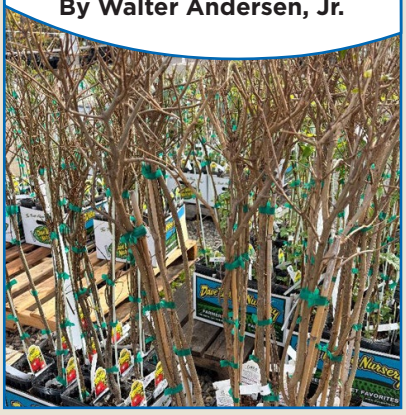
Be Good

A grandiflora with vibrant, canary-yellow blooms delivering non-fading, long-lasting color. This pretty rose is said to have a light fragrance.

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Bareroot Fruit Trees & Roses

By Walter Andersen, Jr.



I've got some great reasons to buy bareroot fruit trees. For starters, you get the best selection as far as varieties go, and they cost less than when you purchase them in a container! If you need more persuasion, bareroots are easier to plant as you don't have to remove them from containers. Even though your new plants are bare now, in a couple of months the trees will

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Grow Houseplants & Breathe Easier

By Melanie Potter

The October/November issue of Reader's Digest shared a study that was published earlier this year in Atmospheric Environment touting the benefits of living with select houseplants.

Growing houseplants on a vertical wall along with using a fan reduced common air pollutants by 24 percent to 40 percent in only 15 minutes. Give it a full day, and 96-98 percent of pollutants were reduced.

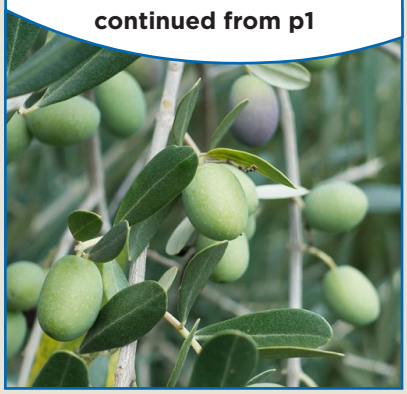
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Peace lily

Bareroot

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start to leaf out and you should have lots of new growth by summer. Some varieties may have 3 or 4 feet of new growth by then, and some will fruit as soon as next year. With proper planning, you can harvest fresh fruit almost all year long!

Right now, we have more than 200 varieties to choose from if you include blueberries, grapes, olives, and cane berries. You can download the list of fruit trees in stock by following this link: www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/2027-Fruit-Tree-List-Final.pdf.

If you have limited space for fruit trees, here is a great idea. You can plant more than one tree in a hole! It takes a little planning, but it is not difficult. Your planting hole should be about 2.5'-3' in diameter, and about 16" to 18" deep. Place three trees in the hole, spacing them about 12" to 18" apart. It is probably a good idea to have three tree stakes ready, one for each tree. Mix a handful of Gro-Power fertilizer in the bottom of the hole. Mix some planting compost with the soil that you dug from the hole to fill in around the roots of the new trees. While you are planting, be careful not to plant

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'Joyride' from Weeks Roses



'Triple Knock Out' from Star Roses



'Dolly Parton' from Star Roses

Brick House Yellow

A slightly fragrant, compact floribunda with yellow blooms, brighter than Be Good.

Joyride

Another yellow winner, with moderate tea fragrance. This hybrid tea has slightly cupped, clear yellow blooms. The outer petals blush pink and hold their color exceptionally well, on strong stems.

Triple Knock Out

It's not yellow! The red-to-deep-pink flowers bloom repeatedly. This grandiflora has a sweet floral scent making it the first garden rose introduction to the Knock Out family, offering a traditional, full bloom and fragrance!

Both stores will have **Dolly Parton** and this is not a new rose, but one I suspect will be popular as gardeners might plant it to pay homage to the country music star and humanitarian who died late summer. Introduced in 1983, it is a hybrid tea with red/orange blooms. Bred from Fragrant Cloud x Oklahoma, it has a rich and classic fragrance.

For 2027, you'll find a lot of the regulars we stock as well as some that we haven't had for a few years along with the brand-new ones. In addition to the **shrub roses**, we will have 18", 24", and 36" **tree roses**, **climbers** and a selection of **David Austins**.

Rose selections vary with each store. You can see what we will stock at www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/2027-Rose-List.pdf. •

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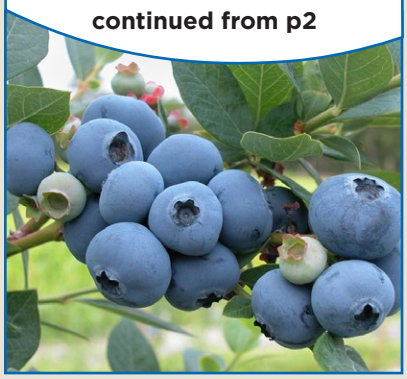
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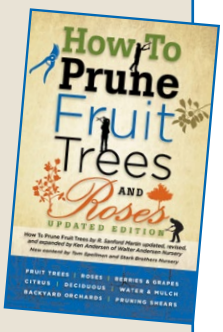
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the trees too deep. A good rule of thumb when finished planting, the first roots growing horizontally from the root ball should not be any deeper than one inch. Trees planted too deep may not survive because the bark stays too wet and will rot. Sprinkle another handful of fertilizer around the base of your newly planted tree as well. Use plastic tie tape and tie your trees to the stakes to keep them from blowing over. Be sure to trim back new bare root trees, maybe as much as 1/3 off the top should be cut back which will encourage a lower branching tree. You can do some growing season pruning to keep the tree to size if it is sending up too much top growth. You don't need to wait until the tree goes dormant to prune back the new growth.

Fertilize in March, and repeat the fertilizing about every month until September using Gro-Power Citrus and Avocado. •



And you can get pruning and planting help with our book! It's available at both stores and online at https://shopwalterandersen.com/products/how-to-prune-fruit-trees-and-roses-updated-edition.

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Creeping fig by Monrovia



Spider plant

Researchers from the University of Seville in Spain tested five plant species in a closed glass chamber and found that a peace lily, silver inch plant (Wandering Jew), heartleaf philodendron, creeping fig, and spider plant all helped clear pollutants including formaldehyde and sulfur dioxide. The peace lily furthermore reduced nitrogen dioxide exceptionally well and quickly.



Household toxins, or pollutants, is a broad term for the chemicals, particles, and biological contaminants that accumulate inside homes through materials, products, water, and air. We're talking carbon monoxide, radon, volatile organic compounds (emitted from household products, and furnishings/soft goods) and formaldehyde. •

Bring Fall To The Door

By Melanie Potter



Thanks to Proven Winners for always providing inspiration if you are looking for container ideas. If your goal is to bring fall to your front door it will be like stepping onto a giant 'welcome' mat. When I visited Proven Winner's website, I narrowed a search to 'fall' and found loads of easy-to-plant container recipes.

The one pictured used only four plants and they are easily substituted if you can't find the specific variety. You'll need one of each plant: **coleus, fiber optic grass, sweet potato vine, and begonia.**

Remember the elements that create an eye-catching container garden include a thriller, fillers, and spillers. Make sure the foliage and flower color you select ties to the theme.

For fall, I looked around the nursery and found purples, sage greens, orange, yellows, and reds in duller shades that feel more autumnal.

If I was seeking a fall looking thriller, I'd consider Ornamental Millet 'Copper Prince", many of the pennisetums, Sesleria Autumnalis and fall-colored cordyline. Spiller

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The Fifth Season Is Almost Here!

By WAN Staff



Fruit Snacks® All Red™
Photo: Plants Nouveau/Monrovia

If you ask Adams in our Poway store how many seasons there are, he may tell you that five is the answer. That's because he prefers his favorite, bareroot season over the four everyone else swears by.

Sadly, this has been a frustrating bareroot season for Adams as availabilities are reduced. It's been a challenge getting confirmations on what we ordered, growers aren't sharing information, etc. However, we have some idea of what should be received and you can see the list here: www.walterandersen.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/2027-Fruit-Tree-List-Final.pdf.

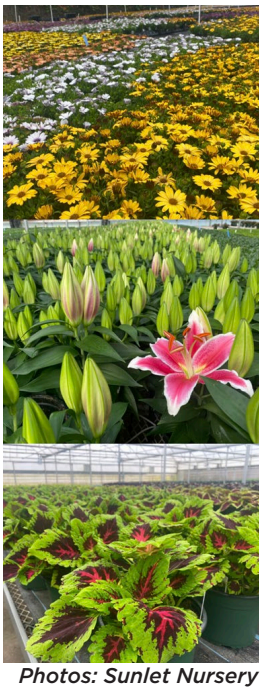
Here are a few new additions to look for. Two kinds of columnar apples, we will have **Fruit Snacks All Red** and **Fruit Snacks Sweet Treats**. We anticipate 11 kinds of apricots and 13 varieties of figs, including **Purple Smyrna** that doesn't require pollination from a wasp. Kiwis, mulberries, peaches, nectarines and pears are expected. Don't miss grapes, berries, olives (in Poway only), quince, pomegranates and persimmons. •

Behind The Blooms: Touring Sunlet Nursery

By Gigi Thatcher



Team members from Walter Andersen's San Diego store visit Sunlet



Photos: Sunlet Nursery

Ever wonder where some of your favorite plants begin their journey before arriving at our nursery? We sent some San Diego WAN team members behind the scenes to Sunlet Nursery in Fallbrook where we toured their greenhouses, learned more about their growing practices, and met the dedicated folks behind the thriving plants.

A Little Bit of Sunshine

Sunlet Nursery's story began in 1985, when John and Janet Kister turned their shared passion for plants into a thriving nursery. Their vision was to offer gardeners a wider selection of unique and unusual flowering plants beyond what was typically available in the market.

Inspired by Fallbrook's ideal growing climate, they chose the name Sunlet, meaning "a little bit of the sun." It's a fitting name for a nursery rooted in Southern California sunshine, and a sentiment reflected in the cheerful message found on their plants: "California Sunshine Included."

Growing Together

For years, Walter Andersen Nursery and Sunlet Nursery have shared a commitment to bringing exceptional plants to San Diego County gardeners. From colorful flowering varieties to plants that brighten indoor and outdoor spaces, our partnership is built on a mutual appreciation for quality, horticultural expertise, and a love of all things green. •

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choices would include ipomea 'Red Heart' as well as other varieties of ipomea. Fillers will plug in the holes in a container arrangement and may even double as a spiller such as lantana and calibrachoa. This time of year, fillers can also include marigolds, celosia, ornamental pepper, gaillardia, mums (which will look great in a container by themselves), cuphea 'Cherrybells', yarrow, pansies (look for 'Red Blotch'), heuchera, and pettunias such as 'Crazytunia gingersnap'. •

Holiday Hours & Closings

The holidays are on the way and we would like to inform you of the days we will be closed and the few days that we will be closing early.

Day Before Thanksgiving
Poway closes at 3pm and San Diego closes at 5pm.

Thanksgiving
Both stores closed.

Christmas Eve
Both stores close at 2pm.

Christmas
Both stores closed.

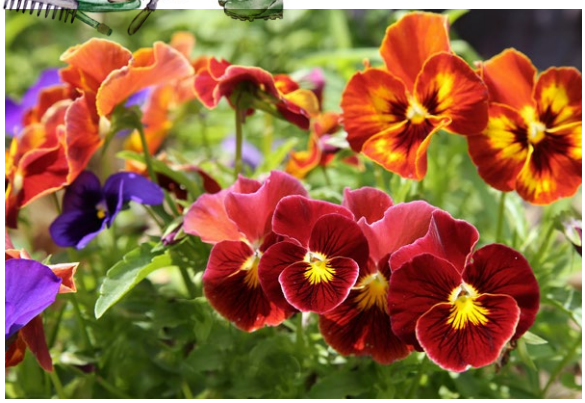
New Year's Eve
Both stores close at 2pm.

New Year's Day
Both stores closed.



November To Do List

Fall Color • Vegetables • Fall Bulbs • Pest Control


Fall color is still in stock


Plant veggies like onions & garlic



Feed citrus, fruit trees & more


Holiday plants will begin to arrive later this month

Plant

> Look for fall bulbs, California natives, and drought-tolerant plants.

> Fall color selections include Violas, Pansies, Snapdragons, fragrant Stocks, Poppies, and more.

> Look for Pyracantha, Cotoneaster, Camellias, Azaleas, and holiday plants.

> You'll find vegetables as well as potatoes, garlic and onions. Looking for more edibles to plant? How about strawberries, asparagus, and olives?

Lawns

> Bermuda Lawn Care: De-thatch and over seed Bermuda lawns with annual Rye.

Fertilize

> For lawns, use Marathon Fertilizer for tall fescue, and Bonide DuraTurf Weed & Feed to feed grass and control broadleaf weeds.

> Feed ornamentals, vegetables, citrus, avocado, fruit trees, palms, and tropicals with E.B. Stone.

> Lightly feed Camellias!

Pest Control

> This month start dormant spraying with Liqui-Cop and Oil Spray. The wetter the winter, the more crucial dormant spraying becomes!

> Clean up all foliage from beneath deciduous fruit trees and roses. •



Shows This Month

11/7 – Ken, George & John with special guest Christine Mih, licensed hummingbird rehabilitator

11/14 – Ken, George & John

11/21 – Ken, George & John with special guest TBD

11/28 – Thanksgiving Weekend "Best of Garden Talk"

Guests subject to change without notice

Listen anytime online at www.walterandersen.com/podcast

Garden Classes: November

Saturday classes are **FREE** and last about an hour. Complimentary coffee is served. During inclement weather, classes are held indoors in San Diego and on the covered, heated patio in Poway. Topics are subject to change. See the full schedule at https://www.walterandersen.com/classes-events/.

SAN DIEGO 9:00AM	POWAY 9:30AM
11/7 Prepping Your Garden for El Niño with Randy from Malibu Compost	11/7 Food Forests with Chuck McClung
11/14 Desktop Ponds with Pascal Reyes of Pet Zone SD	11/14 What Your Roses Want for Christmas with Natalie of the San Diego Rose Society
11/21 Staghorns 101: Care and Remounting with Olivia	11/21 Bountiful Lavender with Ellen Maisen of Rancho Los Serranos Farm
11/28 No Class Thanksgiving Weekend	11/28 No Class Thanksgiving Weekend

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