



Newsletter 2025

This final newsletter brings to a close the Concours International de la Rose Nouvelle de Nyon. As indicated at the end of last year, the organizing committee has decided to close the competition in Nyon due to a lack of personnel.

The 94 varieties planted were judged by the Permanent Jury in the summer and autumn of 2024, plus visits this spring until June 11, 2025. The Permanent Jury awarded two gold medals, four silver medals and four certificates of merit. Please find below the list of winners, based on the scores of the permanent jury, the perfume jury and the 4th apprentice jury. Many of the varieties in this "zero-treatment" competition proved highly resistant and floriferous, despite the very unfavourable conditions of the first half of 2025.

The Rose d'Or de Nyon 2025, awarded to the variety with the most points in all categories, went to KORDES ROSES N°23 'Zauberhaft' KORgrenewa, Germany, with 80 points. This rose seems totally resistant to disease and was judged to be "exceptionally floriferous". The apprentice jury made the same choice as the Permanent Jury, awarding the variety also the Prix des Apprentis (the Apprentices Prize) offered by Nyon's Human Resources Department.

[Link to the prize list](#)

ROSE D'OR DE NYON and PRIX DES APPRENTIS



ROSE D'OR DE NYON and PRIX DES APPRENTIS - N°23, multiple flowers 'Zauberhaft' KORgrenewa by KORDES ROSES (photo © KORDES)

COUPE DU PARFUM and COUP DE CŒUR DU PARFUM

A permanent jury made up of two perfume specialists was augmented on the last day of judging by Mr. Wessel-Jan Kos, master perfumer. Mr Kos and the jury awarded two prizes. The "Coupe du Parfum", offered by the Société Romande des Amis des Roses et de l'Horticulture SRARH, was awarded to the multiple-flowered rose N°16, 'DELparociane', from the breeder Société Nouvelle Pépinières et Roseraies Georges Delbard, France, and presented by Arnaud DELBARD; "This rose has an original fragrance with a beautiful blend of flowers, fruits and spices".

The "Coup de cœur du parfum" award went to the N°67 climbing rose 'Zelmani's Dream' KORphieso, bred by Kordes Roses, Germany, and presented by Kordes Roses; "The fragrance of this rose is like its color, delicate and enveloping".



COUPE DU PARFUM - N°16, multiple flowers, 'DELparociane', from the breeder Société Nouvelle Pépinières et Roseraies Georges Delbard, France, and presented by Arnaud DELBARD



Coup de cœur du parfum, rose N°67, climber, 'Zelmani's Dream' KORphieso from the breeder Kordes Roses, Germany, and presented by Kordes Roses



First Swiss variety

With its silver medal, variety N°51 ATD-21 in the landscape rose category from Tschanz in Aclens (CH) won the first distinction for a Swiss variety at the Concours de Nyon.

4th Apprentice Jury

At the instigation of Mrs Gisèle Tschanz of the Tschanz rose gardens in Aclens, the Apprentice Jury was held for the fourth time on June 11. The jury was made up of ten young horticulturists in training, representing vocational training centers in French-speaking Switzerland. The apprentice prize, donated by the town of Nyon, was awarded to rose N°23, multi-flowered 'Zauberhaft' KORgrenewa from KORDES ROSES, Germany.



Jury of apprentices accompanied on the left by Gisèle Tschanz, initiator of the apprentice competition and Hester Macdonald, general secretary of the Competition, as well as Bertrand Verdan, 2nd from the right, head of the Parks and Gardens section at the Lullier School of Horticulture.

Brief retrospective of the Nyon Competition

March 2017 saw the first steps taken towards establishing a competition in Nyon. Gérald Meylan was instrumental in laying the organizational foundations and setting up an organizing committee with the Société Romande des Amis des Roses et de l'Horticulture SRARH. From the outset, the Competition rules prohibited all treatments, both biological and chemical, in order to better respond to environmental challenges and the needs of gardeners. The first "limited edition" (COVID restrictions) took place with a restricted committee on June 20, 2020, the day after the relaxation of measures linked to the pandemic. The organizing committee then innovated with the creation of a zero-treatment label based on the aforementioned regulations, the setting up of an apprentice competition under the impetus and guidance of Gisèle Tschanz, and finally an autumn competition to showcase varieties that hold up well right up to the end of the season.

Until 2025, the year of the last edition, 45 gold medals, 37 silver medals and 49 certificates of merit were distributed to the breeders who placed their trust in us during the 6 years of this wonderful adventure.

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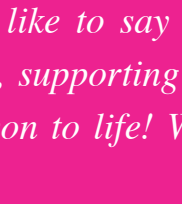
A big **THANK YOU** to the Organizing Committee of the Société Romande des Amis des Roses et de l'Horticulture, and to the whole team who brought the Concours International de la Rose Nouvelle de Nyon to life: permanent jury, fragrance jury, Nyon authorities and the gardeners of the Environment Department.

THANK YOU for the important support of Nyon

None of this would have been possible without the contribution of the gardeners from the City of Nyon's Environment Department. Both the committee of the Société romande des amis des roses et de l'horticulture (SRARH) and the local association "Les Amis de la Rose de Nyon" would like to thank them for their active participation. The gardeners planted 552 varieties, corresponding to almost 2000 rose bushes. Their passion and meticulous care for these new varieties, so important for the future of our untreated green spaces, is proof, if any were needed, of their great commitment to biodiversity.

THANK YOU to our sponsors and partners

The substantial and loyal support of local players and the Swiss horticultural industry has enabled us to comfortably cover the budget for the six editions of the Concours International de la Rose Nouvelle de Nyon. Our main sponsor FELCO and Gold Sponsors Ricoter and Denogent have played a major role in this, and partners Hauert, OH Semences, Schilliger, Caisse d'Epargne de Nyon, Seydoux Grains, La Cave de la Charrue, Tectona Paris, Palissades Eric Verdon, TreeTote and Luzi have supported us with their generosity. We'd like to thank them warmly; they all responded positively to our first appeal and have remained loyal throughout the years of this wonderful human adventure. A true demonstration of friendship towards the world of roses and the values conveyed by our Zero Treatment Competition!



This is the last newsletter from the Concours International de la Rose Nouvelle de Nyon, and we'd like to say THANK YOU once again for helping us, accompanying us, supporting us in our efforts and actively bringing the Concours de Nyon to life! We look forward to seeing you soon in a rose garden!

On behalf of the Organising Committee

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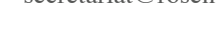
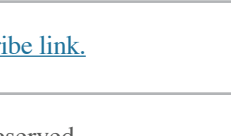
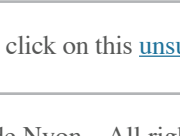
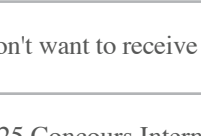
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