

Middle Atlantic Region - Rhododendron of the Year Awards

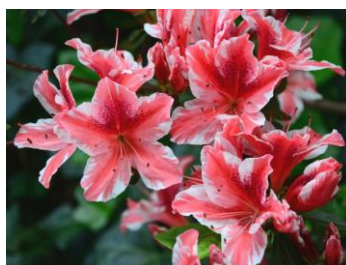
We need your input for the Rhododendron of the Year Awards. Below are the ROY Winners for 2017:



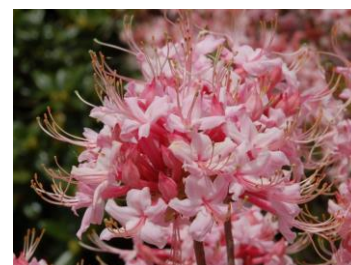
'Gilbert Myers'



'Blaney's Blue'



'Ben Morrison'



R. canescens

These are all the past ROY Winners by Year for the Middle Atlantic Region:

| Year | Elepidote | Lepidote | Evergreen Azalea | Deciduous Azalea |
|------|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 2017 | 'Gilbert Myers' | 'Blaney's Blue' | 'Ben Morrison' | <i>R. canescens</i> |
| 2016 | <i>R. hyperythrum</i> | <i>R. minus var. minus</i> | 'Inch' | <i>R. atlanticum</i> |
| 2015 | 'John C. White' | 'Southland' | 'Ashley Ruth' | 'My Mary' |
| 2014 | 'Nestucca' | 'Kehr's White Ruffles' | 'Caitlin Marie' | <i>R. calendulaceum</i> |
| 2013 | 'Taurus' | 'Cornell Pink' | 'Rose Greeley' | <i>R. schlippenbachii</i> |
| 2012 | 'Janet Blair' | 'Windbeam' | 'Sandra's Green Ice' | 'Aromi Sunny-side-up' |
| 2011 | 'Brown Eyes' | 'Molly Fordham' | 'Tina's Whorled' | <i>R. prinifolium</i> |
| 2010 | 'Scintillation' | 'Mary Fleming' | 'Carrie Amanda' | 'Klondyke' |
| 2009 | 'Wheatley' | 'Landmark' | 'Koromo-shikibu' | 'Old Gold' |
| 2008 | 'Mist Maiden' | 'Weston's Aglo' | 'Dream' | 'White Lightning' |
| 2007 | 'Caroline' | 'Olga Mezitt' | 'Fairfax' | (none) |
| 2006 | 'Bellringer' | 'PJM Elite' | 'Elsie Lee' | 'Homebush' |
| 2005 | 'Calsap' | 'Dora Amateis' | 'Nancy of Robinhill' | 'Gibraltar' |
| 2004 | 'Gigi' | 'April Pink' | 'Girard's Fuchsia' | 'Crimson Tide' |

Criteria for selecting a Rhododendron of the Year for the Middle Atlantic Region:

1. The plant should be relatively easy to grow in as wide a range as possible. In past years, the District 9 chapters in Virginia, Maryland, and West Virginia made selections. We now seek input from Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware since we share the need for plants that are both heat and cold tolerant. We are not trying to publicize new plants that are recently released but we want varieties that are considered "good doers" and appear on the Proven Performer lists developed by chapters.
2. The cultivar should be a superior form. It should have attractive flowers, good foliage, and a plant habit that makes it a desirable landscape specimen when not in bloom.
3. The plant should not be prone to insect damage or disease.
4. The cultivar should have a name that is officially registered with the American Rhododendron Society through the RHS. Rhododendron species can be used as ROY winners without being registered provided the typical form performs well throughout the region. Species selections should be registered clones if that variety is recommended for a ROY award.
5. The variety should be available for purchase either through commercial sources or chapter plant sales. Ideally, we should be looking several years ahead to give growers time to build up stock for sale.

Note: The ROY Committee for the Middle Atlantic Region is interested in knowing new introductions of promise that other members should grow. Those plants could be future ROY award winners once they have been more widely evaluated. We are also interested in knowing plants that people have found disappointing or difficult to grow since that information should be shared. Please send recommendations and comments to:

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Some Rhododendrons and Azaleas Grown in the Middle Atlantic Region

Rhododendrons of the Year (ROY Award Winners) Indicated

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A. Elepidote Rhododendrons

Red, Scarlet, or Deep Rose

Acclaim
America
Atroflo
Avondale
Besse Howells
Dexter's Giant Red
Dr. V.H. Rutgers
Dr. Dennis Purcell
Francesca
Gigi (2004 ROY)
Glenda Farrell
Grace Seabrook
Harold Amateis
Jean Marie de Montague
John Paul II
Mars
Nova Zembla
Red Head
Red River
Taurus (2013 ROY)
Trilby
Vulcan
Vulcan's Flame

Bicolor, White with Pink or Red Edge

Consolini's Windmill
Dexter's Harlequin
Fantastica
Love Child
Mary Collins
Reiley Ridge Picottee
Taj Mahal
Todmorden

Deep Pink to Rose

Anna Rose Whitney
Cherokee
David Gable
Great Eastern
Gretchen
Helen Vieira
Mac Kantruss
Mrs. W. R. Coe
Nathan Hale
Nearing Pink



'Gigi'

2004 Rhododendron of the Year – Elepidote

Parker's Pink
Pierce's American Beauty
Rochelle
Roseum Pink
Shazaam
Very Berry
Wyandanch Pink
Yummy Yak

Light to Medium Pink

Albert Close
Alice Poore
Annie Dalton
Betty Hume
Cadis
Caroline (2007 ROY)
Christina Dee
Dexter's Appleblossom
Dexter's Brown Eyes (2011 ROY)
Dexter's Peppermint
Edgemont
Fair Isle
Ingrid Mehlquist
Janet Blair (2012 ROY)
John C. White (2015 ROY)
Katherine Dalton
Maxecat
Mission Bells
Peppermint Twist
Scintillation (2010 ROY)
Solidarity

Southgate Brandi
Spectacular
Strawberry Parfait
Tom Everett
Warwick
Wheatley (2009 ROY)

White to Blush

Belle Heller
Calsap (2005 ROY)
Cape White
Chionoides
Cloud Nine
Cornelia Sanders
County of York
Crete
Dexter's Spice
Disca
Hardy Giant
Hardy Loderi
Helen Everett
Ken Janeck
Martin Keister White
Mainstreet
Merley Cream
Mist Maiden (2008 ROY)
Morning After (Supra)
Mountain Marriage
Mrs. A.T. de la Mere
Nestucca (2014 ROY)
Pastel Perfume
Queen Anne's
Ruth Davis
Southgate Breeze
Southgate Divine
Southgate Grace
Tiana
Tuffit
Winterset White
White Dimples
Whitewater North Carolina

Lavender to Purple

A. Bedford
Ben Moseley
Blue Ensign
Blue Peter
Dexter's Victoria
Diane's Delight
Dream of Kings
Gilbert Myers (2017 ROY)
Great Smoky

Jonathan Shaw
Lee's Dark Purple
Melanie Shaw
Midnight Mistique
Olin O. Dobbs
Purple Splendour
Reiley Ridge Sweet Sue
Roseum Elegans
Smoky Mountain
Southgate Radiance
Van Ness Sensation

Cream to Yellow

Bellringer (2006 ROY)
Bob Furman's Big Yellow
Bud's Yellow
Capistrano
Catherine White
C.O.D.
Delp's Sunsheen
Dexter's Vanilla
Glenolden
Golden Star
James Allison
Lara Janine
Lehigh Gold
Lemon Zest
Phyllis Korn

Buff, Peach Pink to Orange

Always Admired
Amazing Grace
Apritan
Bea McDonald
Bisque
Consolini 303
Dexter's Champagne
Dexter's Honeydew
Dexter's Orange
Dexter's Skyglow
Don Kellam
Dottie No Stay
Dr. Joseph Rock
Frosted Opal
Hannah Hersey
Heritage Campfire Peach
Jack Cowles
Jane's Orange
Laurelwood Persimmon
Mary Belle
Magic Mood
Nip and Tuck

Peach Cloud
Shaker Sunrise
Whittenton

yakushmanum 'Phetteplace Form'
yakushmanum 'Van Ziles Form'
yakushmanum 'Yaku Angel'

Other Promising Sources

Tom Ahern Hybrids
Jim Barlup Hybrids
Norm Beaudry Hybrids
Werner Brack Hybrids
John Doppel Hybrids
Bob Furman Hybrids
Joe Gable Hybrids
Bud Gehrich Hybrids
Ray and Jane Goodrich Hybrids
Russ and Velma Haag Hybrids
Joe Minahan Hybrids
Eveline and Howard Pilkington Hybrids
Ed Reiley Hybrids
Southgate (John Thornton) Hybrids
George Woodard Hybrids

Species:

adenopodum
auriculatum
brachycarpum
catawbiense
catawbiense 'Catalga'
catawbiense insularis 'Ken's Find'
decorum
decorum 'Gable's Hardy Form'
degronianum
fortunei
fortunei 'Gable's Hardy Form'
fortunei 'Lu Shan'
houlstonii
***hyperythrum* (2016 ROY)**
makinoi
makinoi 'Margaret K. White'
makinoi 'Wing Fong Form'
maximum
maximum 'Leachii'
maximum 'Mount Mitchell' (Red Max)
metternichii
metternichii 'Wada's Form'
pachysanthum
pseudochrysanthum
vernicosum
vernicosum aff. 18139 'Kulu'
vernicosum aff. 18139 'Mt. Siga'
yakushmanum
yakushmanum 'Exbury Form'
yakushmanum 'Koichiro Wada'

B. Lepidote Rhododendrons

White to Blush

Angel Powder

April Snow

Balta

Caramou

Chesapeake

Dora Amateis (2005 ROY)

Katherine Reboul

Kehr's White Ruffles (2013 ROY)

Lenapee

Macopin

Manitou

Molly Fordham (2011 ROY)

Southland (2015 ROY)

Windbeam (2012 ROY)

Yellow Eyes

Pink to Rose Red

April Pink (2004 ROY)

April Rose

Bowie

Carolina Rose

Floda

Gable's Early Bright Pink

Ginny Gee

Landmark (2009 ROY)

Little Olga

Olga Mezitt (2007 ROY)

Pioneer

Pioneer Silvery Pink

Pride of Split Rock

Weston's Pink Diamond

Weston's Aglo (2008 ROY)

Yellow to Mixed

24 Karat

Banana Boat

Hank's Mellow Yellow

Mary Fleming (2010 ROY)

Patty Bee

Lavender, Purple, to Blue

April Mist

Biloxi Blues

Blaney's Blue (2017 ROY)

Blue Ridge

Crater Lake

Conewego Improved

Faisa

Kehr's Epoch x *augustinii*



'Windbeam'

2012 Rhododendron of the Year – Lepidote

Kehr's Blue Success

Mrs. J. A. Withington

P.J.M.

P.J.M. Elite (2006 ROY)

Pipsqueak

Purple Pearl

Sassy Lassie

Shorty

Rhine's Luna

Species

augustinii 'Berg's Hardy Form'

augustinii 'Gable's Hardy Form'

dauricum

dauricum album

keiskei

keiskei 'Ebike's Best'

keiskei 'Hank's Epiphytic Form'

keiskei 'Yaku Fairy'

micranthum

minus var carolinianum

minus var carolinianum album

minus var carolinianum 'Epoch'

***minus var. minus* (2016 ROY)**

minus var. chapmanii

mucronulatum

mucronulatum 'Cheju Island Dwarf'

***mucronulatum* 'Cornell Pink' (2013 ROY)**

mucronulatum 'Crater's Edge'

mucronulatum 'Mahogany Red'

racemosum

racemosum 'Rock Rose'

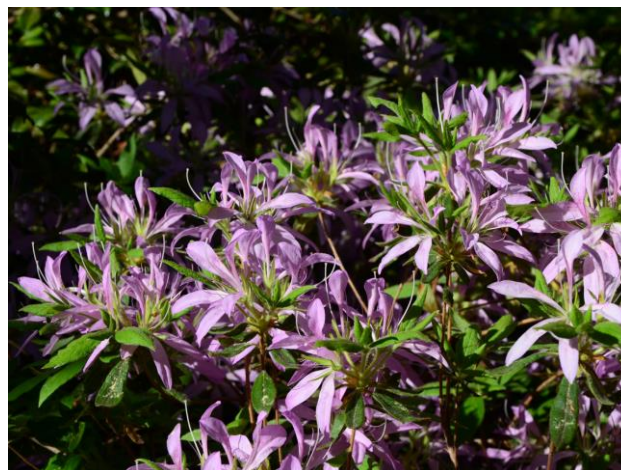
C. Evergreen Azaleas

White to Ivory

Annapolis
August-to-Frost
Bob White
Brenda Marie
Delaware Valley White
Dorothy Hayden
Girard's Pleasant White
Glacier
Green Glow
Gumpo White
Hardy Gardenia
Irish Cream
Little White Lie
Marshy Point Showgirl
Mizu-no-yamabuki
Moonbeam
Nancy Lynn
Olga Niblett
Papineau
Polaris
Primitive Beauty
Rebecca Taffet
Rose Greeley (2013 ROY)
Saint Moritz
Sandra's Dwarf White
Sandra's Green Ice (2012 ROY)
Secret Wish
Snow
Treasure
Wagner's White Spider
White Jade
White Rosebud

White with Stripes, Blotch, or Border

Acrobat
Ashley Ruth (2015 ROY)
Blue Tip
Buck Clagett
Carrie Amanda
Cinderella
Cindy Voss
Denise Ann
Eikan
Encore Autumn Twist
Festive
Florence Waldman
Geisha
Gunki
Haru-no-sono



'Koromo-Shikibu'

2009 Rhododendron of the Year - Evergreen Azalea

Holly Springs Astronaut

Inch (2016 ROY)

Joga

Kaitlin Elizabeth

Quakeress

Mary Lou Dority

Pastel

Puck

Sarah Holden

Satellite

Sekidera (Magnifica)

Shimmer

Shinnyo-no-tsuki

Silver Lace

Silver Mist

Vanguard

Williamsburg

Yuka

Winedrop

Zephyr

Blush to Light Pink

Amy

Barbara Tozzi

Bayou

Betty Ellen

Blushing Angel

Brocade Pillow

Dainty Angel

Daphne

David's Choice

Eliza Hyatt

Fairfax (2007 ROY)

George Lindley Tabor

Gunrei

Ho-oden
Indicium Roseum
Laurie Russell (Betty Christopher)
Margaret Douglass
Monticello
Nobility
Nancy Stipa
Oriflamme
Pink Ice
Sandy Dandy
Sir Robert
Spring Bonnet
Venus' Baby
Watchet

Medium Lavender Pink to Deep Rose

Allure
Aphrodite
Barbara Ella
Betty Anne Voss
Bob Stewart
Bouffant
Caitlin Marie (2014 ROY)
Coral Sea
Dawn Elizabeth
Dayspring
Delos
Dink
Dream (2008 ROY)
Ember
Encore Autumn Rouge
Gable's Rosebud
Gaiety
Garden State Glow
Higasa
Illusion
James Stewart
Lovely Linda
Mary Lou Kehr
Opal
Pink Cloud
Pink Ruffles
Prudence
Radianance
Refrain
Tradition
Twinkles

Light Orange Pink to Salmon

Ambrosia
Antoinette Martin

Barbara Ella
Ben Morrison (2017 ROY)
Betty Layman
Caprice
Coral Bells
David Waldman
Debonaire
Dottie Ann
Dreamsicle
Gumpo Pink
Gunki
Easter Parade
Kazan
Louise Gable
Mayflower
Nancy of Robinhill (2005 ROY)
Nuccio's Melody Lane
Peggy Ann
Pink Gumpo
Pink Pancake
Pink Pearl
Pocono Pink
Salmon Beauty
Salmon Bells
Saotome (Rice Kernel)
Surprise
Wakaebisu (Satsuki)
Wee Willie

Coral to Orange Red

Bene-kirishima
Buccaneer
Cardinal's Crest
Copperman
Girard's Hot Shot
Fashion
Frosted Orange
Karee Lynn
Marion Lee
Michael Hill
Paradise
Pam Corckran
Peggy Vines
Saint James
Wildfire
Wintergreen

Rose Red to Red

Barry Sperling
Dragon
Girard's Scarlet
Hershey Red

Hino Crimson
Holly Springs Shenandoah
Johanna
Kara Fune
Kobold
Maruschka
Midnight Flare
Mother's Day
New Generation Red
Red Lustre
Red Red
Redwings (Red Ruffles)
Ruthy's Red
Ryan Michael
Sherwood Red
Silver Sword
Sunglow
Stewartstonian
Vuyk's Scarlet

Lavender

Briana Murin
Carol Kittel
Cattleya
Corsage
Easter Morn
Elsie Lee (2006 ROY)
Itten
Koromo-shikibu (2009 ROY)
Leprechaun
Madame Butterfly
Memento
Nocturnal Bliss
Orchido
Osaraku
Pixie Petticoat
Rivermist
Sabra
Sherbrooke
Sherwood Orchid
Special Friendship
Thaissa
Trophy
Walter's Pinwheel
Youth

Purple

Dauntless
Girard's Fuchsia (2004 ROY)
Formosa
Herbert
Martha Hitchcock

Marshy Point Fancy Pants
Nocturne
Purple Splendor
Robin Hill Congo
Seneca
Tina's Whorled (2011 ROY)
Zulu

Species

kaempferi
kiusianum
nakaharae
nakaharae 'Mount Seven Star'
oldhamii
poukhananse
stenopetalum (mucronatum)
stenopetalum var. linearifolium (Segai)
serpyllifolium
yedoense

Popular Groups:

Bowie Mill Hybrids (Buck Claggett)
Carla Hybrids (North Carolina)
Encore Hybrids (Buddy Lee)
Glenn Dale Hybrids
Greenwood (Oregon)
Gable Hybrids
Holly Springs Hybrids (Pete Vines)
Klimavicz Hybrids (Joe Klimavicz)
Kurume (Wilson-50, R.Kent Beatty, et al)
Kurume (Creech's New Introductions)
Marshy Point (Harry Weiskittel)
McDonald Hybrids (Dr. Sandra McDonald)
Robin Hill Azaleas
Satsuki Hybrids
Schroeder Hybrids (Illinois)
Stewart Hybrids (Bob Stewart)

D. Deciduous Azaleas

Orange-red to Red or Rose

Arneson Ruby
Aromi Radiant Red
Girard's Crimson Tide (2004 ROY)
Fireball
King's Red
Mount Saint Helens
Millennium
Razzberry
Red Letter
Tunis
Wallowa Red

Pink to light Rose

Cannon's Double
Cecile
J.E.B. Stuart
Gregory Candy Stripe
Homebush (2006 ROY)
Lollipop
Pink and Sweet
Tri-Lights
Wayah Crest
Weston's Pennsylvania
Weston's Popsicle

White to Blush

Aromi Clearcreek
Aromi High Tide
Choptank hybrids
Daviesii
Galle's Choice Cream
Nacoochee Princess
Persil
Snowbird
Weston's Innocence
White Lights

Yellow to Light Gold

Admiral Semmes
Arneson Gem
Aromi Lemonade
Aromi Sunny-Side-Up (2012 ROY)
Aromi Sunstruck
Chetco
Earl's Gold
Golden Lights
Goldflakes
Kennell's Gold



'My Mary'

2015 Rhododendron of the Year- Deciduous Azalea

Lemon Lights
Marina
My Mary (2015 ROY)
Narcissiflorum
Sham's Yellow
Sweet Christie
Weston's Lemondrop
Windsor Buttercup
Yellow Cloud

Deep Gold to Orange

Aromi Four Kings
Aromi King's Ransom
Brazil
Colonel Mosby
Gamecock
General N.B. Forrest
Gibraltar
Klondyke (2010 ROY)
Mooshatanio
Old Gold (2009 ROY)
Stonewall Jackson
Sommerville's Orange Carpet
Tang

Species (white to blush)

alabamense
arborescens
***arborescens* 'White Lightning' (2008 ROY)**
***atlanticum* (2016 ROY)**
atlanticum 'Fragrant Star'
atlanticum 'Marydel'
colemanii

eastmanii
viscosum
viscosum 'Summer Eyelet'

Species (blush to pink, lavender, or rose)

canescens (2017 ROY)
canescens 'Camilla's Blush'
canescens 'Varnado's Pink'
mariesii
periclymenoides
prinophyllum
reticulatum
schlippenbachii (2013 ROY)
vaseyi
vaseyi 'White Find'
wadanum
weyrichii

Species (yellow to orange or red)

amagianum
austrinum
austrinum 'Don's Variegated'
austrinum 'Escatawpa'
austrinum 'Lisa's Gold'
austrinum 'Millie Mac'
calendulaceum (2014 ROY)
calendulaceum 'Big Bird'
calendulaceum 'Hooper's Copper'
cumberlandense
cumberlandense 'Camp's Red'
flammeum
flammeum 'Hazel Hamilton'
japonicum
luteum
molle
prunifolium (2011 ROY)
prunifolium 'S.D. Coleman'