

[54] ROSE PLANT NAMED WINTONBURY
PARISH

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[57] ABSTRACT

A new miniature rose variety having uniquely colored
semi-double flowers wherein the bottom two-thirds of
the petal is white and the top one-third is light red.

1 Drawing Sheet

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The present invention relates to a new and distinct
variety of rose plant of the miniature rose class which
was originated by my crossing as seed parent "Poker
Chip" (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 4,582) with the pollen of the
variety known as "Lady X" (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 2,691).
The varietal denomination of this new variety is "Ber-
par".

This new variety has novel characteristics which
distinguish it from its parents and all other varieties of
which I am aware. Among the novel characteristics it
possesses are its unusual semi-double blooms which are
white at the base and center of the petals with the top
one-third of the petal colored light red of exhibition
form and which are long-lasting in the fully open stage.
Asexual reproduction by budding of the new variety as
performed in Bloomfield, CT, shows that the foregoing
and other distinctive characteristics come true to form
and are established and transmitted through succeeding
propagations.

The accompanying illustration shows typical speci-
mens of the vegetative growth and flowers of my new
variety in different stages of development, depicted in
color as nearly true as it is reasonably possible to make
the same in a color illustration of this character.

The following is a detailed description of my new
variety. The color terminology is in accordance with
The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart. The
terminology used in my color description refers to plate
numbers in The Royal Horticultural Society Colour
Chart, e.g., "4B" refers to plate 4B.

Parentage of seedling:

Seed parent.—"Poker Chip".

Pollen parent.—"Lady X".

Class: Miniature.

FLOWER

Observations were made from specimens grown out-
side at Bloomfield, Conn., in August, 1987.

Blooming habit: Near continuous.

Bud:

Size.—Medium to large.

Form.—Long pointed.

Color.—When sepals first divide - White 155 A
with occasional petals and tips of petals red-pur-
ple 57A; When petals unfurl predominant color
is White 155A with flushes of red-purple 57A.

Sepals.—Slightly longer than bud.

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Peduncle.—About $\frac{1}{4}$ " in length; aspect: straight;
strength: erect; color, green 141D.

Bloom:

Size.—When fully expanded, $2\frac{3}{8}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Borne.—Singly with very occasional spray.

Form.—High centered through $\frac{1}{3}$ open stage then
becoming flat; petals reflex upon opening.Petalage.—Number under normal conditions:
14–18.

Color.—After sepals fall, color remains stable as
described above under "Bud" description until $\frac{1}{3}$
open; as the bloom becomes fully open the outer
side of the petal is 155A for the lower half and
shading upward to the top of the petal from 62C
to 58D to 57C; inside of the petal is 155A for the
lower half and shades upward to 62D.

Fragrance.—Very slight.

Petals:

Texture.—Thick.

Appearance.—Matte inside; smooth and satin-like
outside.

Form.—Pointed and reflexed.

Arrangement.—Symmetrically arranged.

Petaloids.—Few, if any.

Persistence.—Does not drop until flower is com-
pletely dead.Lastingness.—Relatively short in the $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ open
stage; very longlasting in the fully open stage.

REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

Stamens, filaments, and anthers:

Arrangement.—Regularly arranged around styles.

Color.—Filament, 4B; Anther, 15C.

35 Styles: Even, medium length.

Stigmas:

Color.—33C.

PLANT

40 Form: Upright and spreading.

Growth: Vigorous, with long stems.

Height attained.—15 to 20 inches.

Folage:

Size.—Medium.

Quantity.—Abundant.

Number of leaflets.—5 to 7.

Color.—New foliage — upper side 183A; under
side, 181A; Old foliage — upper side 137B; under
side, 147C.

Shape.—Elongated/pointed.

Texture.—Upper side is glossy; under side is matte.
Edge.—Serated.
Seration.—Serrulate.
Stipules.—Medium.
Disease resistance.—Blackspot, good; mildew, average; rust, good.

Wood:

New wood.—Color, 45C; bark smooth.
Old wood.—Color, 143A; bark smooth.

Thorns: Very few and widely spaced.

Prickles: Few, if any.

Winter hardiness: Requires ordinary protection in extreme climates.

I claim:

- 5 1. A new and distinct variety of rose plant of the miniature rose class, substantially as shown and described, characterized particularly by its uniquely colored semi-double flowers wherein the bottom two-thirds of the petal is white and the top one-third is light red and wherein the petals are symmetrically arranged, pointed, and reflexed.
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