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(54) **HYBRID TEA ROSE PLANT NAMED**
‘TANTALIZING RED’

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(50) Latin Name: *Rosa hybrida*
Varietal Denomination: **Tantalizing Red**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

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A new and distinct Hybrid Tea Rose plant variety with
red-purple flowers.

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1 Drawing Sheet

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Classification: The present invention relates to a new
Rosa hybrida plant.

Variety denomination: The new plant has the varietal
denomination ‘Tantalizing Red’.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety
of rose plant of the hybrid tea rose of the genus *Rosaceae*
which was created by crossing as seed and pollen parents
two (2) unknown rose varieties. The varietal denomination
of the new variety is ‘Tantalizing Red’.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the novel characteristics possessed by this new
variety which distinguishes it from other varieties of which
I am aware, is its attractive red-purple flowers.

Asexual reproduction by budding of the new variety onto
‘Dr. Huey’ rootstock as performed in Wasco, Calif. shows
that the foregoing and other distinguishing characteristics
come true to form and are established and transmitted
through succeeding propagations.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ILLUSTRATION

The accompanying illustration shows typical specimens
of the flowers and foliage of the new variety depicted in
color as nearly true as it is reasonably possible to make the
same in a color illustration of this character.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following is a detailed description of 2-year budded
plants of the new variety, with color terminology in accor-
dance with The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart
(R.H.S.C.C.). The terminology used in color description
herein refers to plate numbers in the aforementioned color
chart. Phenotypic expression may vary with light
availability, environmental and cultural conditions.

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The following observations are made of specimens grown
outdoors in Wasco, Calif., during November and budded on
understock of ‘Dr. Huey’.

5 Plant:

Form.—Upright.

Growth.—Vigorous, non-uniform.

Size.—Height about 6 feet; width about 3 feet.

Disease resistance.—Cultivar exhibits average
resistance/susceptibility to disease.

10 *Foliage*.—*Size*: Terminal leaflet length about 2½
inches, width about 1¾ inches; leaf about 5½ inches
long and about 4 inches wide. Quantity: Compound
leaf with 3, 5, or 7 leaflets. Color: New foliage:
15 Upper side near 146A; under side near 182B. Mature
foliage: Upper side near 147A; under side near
147C. Shape: Elliptic. Texture: Upper side: Smooth,
semi-glossy. Under side: Matte. Edge: Serrated. Ser-
ration: Slight.

20 *Petioles*.—Top surface color near 144B; Under side
near 144A.

Stipules.—Normal.

Auricle.—Slight serration near 59B to 137C.

Rachis.—Smooth.

25 Wood:

New shoots.—Bark: Smooth. Wood: Near 59C.

Old wood.—Bark: Smooth. Wood: Near 146B.

Flowering stem.—Length about 24 inches.

Winter hardiness.—Completely winter hardy.

30 *Preferred growing conditions*.—Full sun.

Growth habit.—Upright.

Leaves per stem.—About 7.

Thorns and prickles.—Average number of prickles and
thorns, new thorns about ⅜ inch, near 142B, mature
thorns about ⅜ inch near 144B.

Flower/inflorescence:

Blooming habit.—Recurrent.

Bud.—Average length about 1⅜ inch, width 1½
inches. Form: High centered classic rose form.
Color: Before sepals divide color near 60A; when

sepals first divide color near 60C; when petals begin to unfurl color near 63B.

Sepals.—Pointed on ends; regular appearance, usually 5 sepals, 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ inch long and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide, occasional extensions.

Color.—Topside near 158B; bottom near 144C.

Peduncle.—Smooth. Length: About 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Strength: Firm. Color: Near 139B, with anthocyanin blush near 59C.

Flower.—Size: About 5 inches. Borne: Multiple blooms per stem. Form: High centered, opening flat with maturity.

Petalage.—About 38. Petaloids in center: Few, about 3 to 5 petaloids, color near 74C.

Fragrance.—Slight.

Lasting quality.—About 3 weeks on plant; about 6 days after cutting.

Color.—During first 2 days: Inner petals at flower center topside near 60B; bottom near 60C; outer petals topside near 60B, bottom near 60C.

Base of petals (point of attachment).—Near 158B.

General tonality from a distance.—Dark Red-Purple near 59C.

Color change.—As bloom ages, fades slightly to near 60C; after 3 or more days, about the same.

General tonality from a distance.—Dark red even after 3 or more days.

Petals.—Length: Approximately 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ in. long. Width: Approximately 2 in. wide. Texture: Soft. Shape: Wider than long. Arrangement: Normal. Appearance: Satiny. Margin: Smooth. Persistence: Strong, as a cut flower and in the garden.

Reproductive organs:

Arrangement of stamens, filaments and anthers.—Regularly arranged around styles, about 40 to 50 filaments and anthers, no pollen observed.

Color.—Filaments near 162B; Anthers near 158B.

Styles.—Thin.

Stigmas.—Color near 158D.

Hips/seed vessels/ovaries.—Shape: Round. Size: About $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. Color: Near 144A. Seeds: No seeds observed.

I claim:

1. A new and distinct Hybrid Tea Rose plant of the variety substantially as shown and described.

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