

Rosy Tips For Valentine's Day

(NAPSA)—Roses reign supreme for Valentine's Day. A well-known statement of love, for many, sending roses is the perfect way to say "I love you."

To make this loving gift a long-lasting one, follow these tips from Julie Mulligan, lifestyle expert from 1-800-FLOWERS.COM:

- Always use clean vases or containers.
- Fill the container about $\frac{3}{4}$ full with warm water and floral food.
- Remove leaves that will be under the water while in the vase, as they will rot.



Roses are a tried-and-true way to say "I love you" on Valentine's Day or any day.

- Give each stem a fresh cut on an angle while holding the stem under water to prevent air from getting into the stem.
- Place the vase in a cool spot, away from heat.
- Change the water and flower food every three to four days and recut the stems.

From roses to tulips to orchids to lilies, there are flowers to please all the important people in your life this Valentine's Day, says Mulligan.

More holiday inspirations are at Mulligan's floral and lifestyle blog at 1800flowers.com/Julie.

For beautiful Valentine's Day gifts including True Love by Julie Mulligan, a stunning bouquet of red roses, pink spray roses, lisianthus, orchids and more, you can visit 1800flowers.com.