

2009 GREENWOOD REFERENCE

OUR MISSION is to find or breed and grow regionally superior plant varieties for California landscape professionals, and to assist them in choosing the best plant palette for each unique project.

With a degree in Landscape Architecture and decades of landscape design/build experience, John Schoustra founded Greenwood in order to find and grow the best daylily varieties for California. Over time the mission broadened to include other plants that “performed like daylilies.” First, irises were added, then clivias, pelargoniums and cannas. In each case, hundreds or thousands of varieties were evaluated until the few that best met the needs of California landscape professionals could be selected and propagated.

WHAT MAKES A GREAT CALIFORNIA LANDSCAPE PLANT?

1. **Durable Performance:** The plant must thrive not just in the horticultural havens of San Diego and Santa Barbara, but also in San Fernando, San Bernardino and San Jose.
2. **Installation Flexibility:** The plant must be able to be shipped and installed any day of the year, tolerate handling by installers with a broad range of skills, and survive sitting on asphalt for a week waiting to be planted.
3. **Low Maintenance:** It should thrive not just with care by horticulturists and native plant experts, but by landscape contractor crews and even underqualified ‘garden janitors’.

designWise™ Horticulture For years plant breeders have been discouraged from developing the new plants that landscape professionals want. Success has come from novelties – unusual blooms or foliage. Performance has been de-emphasized by the need to market a new plant nationally. It is better to come up with a plant that has okay performance across all America than a plant that is exceptional in only one or two regions.

California landscape professionals don’t want novelty “new and improved” varieties with mediocre performance that will be replaced by others in a year or two. They want the absolute best performing cultivars for their region and they want them consistently available from multiple sources.

designWise Horticulture was founded to bring plant breeders together with regional networks of growers that serve landscape professionals. More information will be coming soon, along with a website. In the meantime, we may invite you to participate in an event to critique (and take home) potential plant introductions and meet with some of the world’s leading plant breeders. This year we are proud to introduce the first *Agapanthus* to bloom as long as a daylily and a fragrant white lilac that will bloom even in Long Beach!

Agapanthus Deja™ ‘Sky Blue’ PP#14989 1g - 15.00 5g - 30.00 (Pick up only)

Syringa ‘Snowy’ Beach Party™ 15g - 95.00 (Pick up only)

PRICING Unless noted, prices are for bare root plants.

ORDERING. If you do not have an order form, just write down your selections (\$25.00 minimum), add \$8.00 for shipping (regardless of how many plants are ordered) and add California sales tax if applicable. Checks should be made payable to Greenwood Daylily Gardens. For credit card purchases (Visa, MasterCard or American Express), make sure you sign and provide expiration date. Please include a telephone number along with your name and address. Mail your order to Greenwood Daylily Gardens, 8000 Balcom Canyon Road, Somis, CA 93066, or fax it to (562) 494-0486. Prepaid orders can be picked up at our Somis facility with prior notice.

VISIT US. Please visit our fields in Somis, California. Somis is a rural community near Moorpark in Ventura County. We are only open to the public on Saturdays from April through June. Hours are 9:30am to 4:00pm.

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LARGE AND MEDIUM DAYLILIES – Page 1

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- ACAPULCO NIGHT** 12.00
E (26") 44" 6" EM Re. Dramatic, velvety dark black/red. Strong tall bloom scapes, and lush tropical foliage. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas. Shade tolerant.
- ANNIE GOLIGHTLY** 12.00
E (26") 36" 6" ML Re. A vigorous, deep velvety red. Wide, deep green foliage. Can take some shade. Always in bloom for the 4th of July.
- APPLE TART** Disc. (rust) Try TEXAS REDSTAR
- AZTEC CHALICE** 14.00
E (26") 38" 6" ML Re. Deep velvety red blooms on sturdy tall stems above broad, dark green foliage. Stunning planted behind Agapanthus Deja™ 'Sky Blue'.
- BAHAMA BUTTERSCOTCH** 10.00
Sev (20") 24" 3"-4" EM Re. Brilliant butterscotch/gold blooms stand out above the deepest green foliage of any daylily we grow. Stunning mass effect.
- BELL ORANGE** Sub OUR GERTRUDE
- BLACK EYED SUN** 14.00
E (22") 28" 4"-5" E Re Re. An evergreen, heat tolerant rust-resistant alternative to Hem. 'Black Eyed Susan'. Rich dark green foliage sets off a constant profusion of butter gold blooms with contrasting dark maroon "eyes".
- BLUSHING** ^{ppaf} Summer Valentine™ 10.00
E (24") 30" 5"-6" EE Re Re This one breaks all the rules! Most "exhibition" type daylilies are light bloomers. This stunning rosy peach/pink beauty with deep red "valentine" eyezone and matching petal edges blooms as much as our best large yellow (Lemonn Vista). Vigorous, dark green foliage. 2008 All American.
- CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE** 14.00
E (26") 36" 6½" EE Re Re This robust, perfectly named daylily lights up any area. Lush, tropical foliage and profuse, huge, yellow gold blooms.
- CALYPSO QUEEN PP #12550** 10.00
E (24") 30" 5" E Re Rich sherbet orange blooms with stunning red eyezones. Shiny, medium green foliage.
- CARMEN MARIE** 14.00
E (15") 26" 6" EM Re. A bright and ruffled pretty lavender pink with bright green throat.
- CHARTWELL** Disc. (rust) Try PLUM PERFECT
- CHATEAU BLANC** Disc.(rust) Try SNOW MAIDEN
- CORDON ROUGE** 10.00
E (17") 25" 5" EM Re. Brilliant coral pink blooms over graceful, dark, blue green foliage. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas. Great inland.
- DERRICK CANE** 16.00
E (26") 34" 5" EM Re The blackest evergreen daylily we have found. Vigorous and prolific. Wide, tropical foliage.
- DIXIELAND BAND** 14.00
E (20") 32" 5½" EM Re. Cheerful true red star-shaped blooms with white stripe on each petal. Can take some shade. Avoid intense heat.
- ELIZABETH SALTER** Disc. (rust) Try JUDY K
- EYE YI YI** Disc. (rust) Try CALYPSO QUEEN
- FULL AND ROUND** 10.00
Sev (15") 26" 4½" M Re. Gold double flowers with over 20 petals on tall scapes above very uniform, tight foliage.
- GINGERBREAD MAN** 12.00
E (24") 34" 6½" EM Re Re. Attention-getting mahogany orange blooms over dark green foliage. Very heat tolerant. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas.
- GIRL'S BIRTHDAY** 14.00
E (25") 34" 6" M Re. Ruffled rosy pink edges on ivory petals. Tolerates some shade. Lush, bold foliage.
- HYPERION** Sub LEMONN Vista
- IDA WIMBERLY MUNSON** Disc. (rust)
- JOAN SENIOR** 10.00
E (18") 26" 6" EM Re Clean, near white blooms with a green throat. Avoid intense heat.
- JUDITH** 10.00
D (22") 30" 6" E Re Re. Soft coral pink with vivid rose eyezone. Up to 50 blooms per scape. 2002 All American.
- JUDY KOLTZ** 12.00
E (22") 28" 6" ML Re. Smooth, waxy canteloupe blooms on well branched scapes. Showy. Avoid intense heat.
- JUNGLE PRINCESS** 8.00
E (22") 32" 5" ML Re. Spidery dark maroon/purple blooms on slender stalks above lush fern-green foliage
- LADY™ EVA** Disc. Sub PLUM PERFECT

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- LADY™ LUCILLE** 12.00
D (22") 28" 6" ML Re. Brilliant orange blooms start late and continue into Fall. Dark, dark green foliage. Tolerates extreme heat and cold. Some rust.
- LAVENDER DEW** 8.00
E (18") 28" 6" M Re. Lavender blend with green throat. Tolerates high heat, filtered shade.
- LAVENDERR Vista™** 10.00
E (22") 26" 5" EM Re Re Our best lavender harmonizes with roses and other pink flowering plants. Shade tolerant. The Vista™ series of daylilies are known for their mass planting effect. Medium height, handsome foliage with large, clear colored blooms create intense, colorful "vistas".
- LEE BEA ORANGE CRUSH** 10.00
Sev (22") 28" 6" EM Re. Bright orange with fiery eyezone. Blue-green foliage. 2002 All American. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas.
- LEMONN Vista™** 10.00
E (24") 28" 5"-6" EE Re Re Our best large yellow. Always seems to be in bloom. Dark green foliage. The Vista™ series of daylilies are known for their mass planting effect. Medium height, handsome foliage with large, clear colored blooms create colorful "vistas".
- MAHOGANY WHISPERS** 12.00
E (26") 38" 5"-6" EM Re We think the mahogany "shouts". Dramatic spidery glowing mahogany blooms sway on tall stems above dark green foliage. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas. Sometimes sold as Black Suave.
- MING TOY** Disc. Try FRANKLY SCARLETT or TEXAS REDSTAR
- MOND** Sub TEXAS REDSTAR
- MONGE** Sub TIGER TIME
- MONIE** Sub FULL AND ROUND
- MONLD** Sub OUR GERTRUDE
- MONOLD** Sub POJO
- MONON** Sub PERSIAN MARKET
- MONOW** Sub LEMONN VISTA
- MONVE** Sub LAVENDERR VISTA
- MOUNTAIN VIOLET** Disc. (rust)
- NAIROBI NIGHT** 14.00
E (22") 32" 6" M Re. This stunning violet-plum bloom has an ivory 'watermark' or 'halo' and cool green throat. Some rust. Avoid coastal areas.
- NEW TESTAMENT** 16.00
E (18") 26" 6" EE Re. Soft rosy pink blooms with whitish midribs on the petals are produced early and often. Avoid intense heat. Some shade okay.
- NILE CRANE** Sub LAVENDERR VISTA
- OLD ADAGE** 12.00
E (24") 34" 6" EM Re Re. Soft yellow self that sends up continuous flowers. Graceful, dark green foliage.
- PAPER BUTTERFLY** 14.00
E (18") 24" 6" E Re Intriguing buff peach blooms with a dramatic veined "butterfly" pattern of purple with flashes and hints of blue.
- PERSIAN MARKET** 10.00
E (25") 36" 7" M Re. Large rosy coral blooms in profusion over a long time. Dark, blue green foliage. Great performer in cold or hot climates. Excellent mass effect. Avoid humid coastal areas. 2006 All American.
- PINK PARFAIT** Sub BLUSHING Summer Valentine
- QUICK RESULTS** Disc. (rust) Try LEMONN Vista
- RED RUM** Sub FRANKLY SCARLETT
- RED VOLUNTEER** 10.00
D (26") 34" 6"-7" M Re The truest red we grow. A "blue red" not an "orange red". A hit with visitors, even ones who prefer evergreens. Superb foliage. Best with a little shade. 2005 All American.
- ROJO ALTO** 12.00
E (26") 44" 7" M Re Re. This statuesque screaming fire engine red catches everyone's attention. Can take filtered shade. Excellent foliage.
- ROSY Vista™** 14.00
E (22") 26" 5" EM Re Re Our best true pink. Shade tolerant, deep green foliage. Unlike other "pink" varieties that are "peachy" in our climate, Rosy Vista is pink under all conditions. The Vista™ series of daylilies are known for their mass planting effect. Medium height, handsome foliage with large, clear colored blooms create intense, colorful "vistas".

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RUSSIAN RHAPSODY 10.00

E (26") 34" 6" E Re Re. Large violet purple with bold eye markers of deep purple. Rust susceptible. Use only in hot inland areas. Use PLUM PERFECT in other areas

SCARLET ORBIT Disc. (rust) Try FRANKLY SCARLETT or ANNIE GOLIGHTLY

SEBASTIAN Disc. Try LAVENDERR Vista

SNOW MAIDEN ppaf 30.00

E (26") 34" 6" EE Re Stunning, gently ruffled white/near white blooms with a green throat gleam above broad, vigorous foliage. Shade tolerant.

SUE BOOTH 10.00

E (23") 34" 5" ML Re. Bright yellow/gold blooms with cinnamon tipped petals shimmer high above dark green foliage. Some rust. Prefers hot inland areas.

SUN'S EYE Disc. (rust) Try CA SUNSHINE

SUN TWIST Sub MISS VICTORIA

SWIRLING WATERS Sub LAVENDERR Vista

TEXAS REDSTAR 10.00

E (25") 32" 5" E Re The classic traditional red daylily, with a yellow throat, but without the rust problems of most evergreen red. Narrow, vigorous foliage.

TIGER TIME PP# 12445 10.00

E (22") 26" 4" E Re Re Replaces LeeBea Orange Crush as our best orange. Shiny, dark green foliage. Bright orange blooms with a hint of sienna.

TOUCHED BY MIDAS Disc. (rust) Try OUR GERTRUDE or CALIFORNIA SUNSHINE

VELVET RED Sub TEXAS REDSTAR

YELLOW MIST 10.00

E (18") 24" 5" EM Re Re. Ruffled pale yellow blooms and broad, mounding bluish green foliage. Best within ten miles of coast or with some shade.

KEY TO DAYLILY SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

All heights and sizes are averages for California. Sizes drop with lower humidity, higher heat, and less shade.

BLOOMING CHARACTERISTICS

First number (inches) = Average height to top of blooms.

Second number (inches) = Average diameter of blooms.

EE = Starts blooming extra early in season (March-April for us).

E = Starts blooming early in season (April-May for us).

M = Starts blooming in mid-season (May-June for us).

L = Starts blooming late in season (June-July for us).

Re = Rests after first bloom cycle, then sends up at least one additional set of blooms.

Re Re = Rests a while after first bloom cycle, then sends up a second, third, fourth and sometimes fifth set of blooms, depending on the variety.

FOLIAGE HABIT

E = Evergreen. May need mulching below 15°F.

Sev = Usually evergreen where it stays above 25°F. Briefly deciduous in cold snaps. Dormant in colder areas.

D = Dormant or deciduous in all climates, sending up a fresh, clean crop of leaves in early spring.

() = Typical height of foliage here.

PLANT PATENTS

PPAF = Plant Patent Applied For. Propagation prohibited without a license from the breeder.

PP# = Plant Patent number. Propagation prohibited without a license from the breeder.

RUST: Disc. (rust) = Discontinued due to rust susceptibility. We do not spray for daylily rust, and don't believe anyone else should either. The monthly (or more) spraying is a waste of chemical pesticides, as it only suppresses the fungus. Daylily rust (*Puccinia hemerocalloides*) affects no other plant types, and only some daylily varieties. It is unattractive but not lethal to susceptible varieties. When daylily rust arrived here by air from Central America, we destroyed over 400,000 plants of the most susceptible varieties, and propagated the resistant ones. Unless otherwise noted, our varieties are rust-resistant in California gardens.

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- ADAH** Disc. (rust) Try MINI PEARL
- AZTEC EVERGREEN** 8.00
E (16") 22" 4½" EE Re. Traditional 'chalice formed', fragrant bright orange gold blooms on slender stems. Dense, fine textured medium green foliage is fast growing and perfect for slopes.
- designWise™ BITSY** 10.00
E (20") 26" 2" EE Re Re. Yellow flowers in profusion for over 250 days per year here. Thin scapes give an airy, fairy-like quality. 2002 All American
- BLACK EYED STELLA PP# 7909** 10.00
Sev (12") 18" 3" EE Re Re. The first All-America Daylily Award Winner! Bright yellow/gold with a reddish eyezone and dark blue-green foliage. Excellent for mass displays, edging.
- BUTTERSCOTCH RUFFLES** 8.00
E-Sev (20") 26" 3" EE Re Re. A winner in the blooming game. Ruffled butterscotch blend. Over 250 bloom days. Not very exciting as an individual bloom, but breathtaking in a mass.
- CABBAGE FLOWER** Disc. (rust) Try FUZZ B
- CHORUS LINE** Disc. Sub ROCKING CRADLE, LADY ROSE.
- CRANBERRY BABY** 10.00
E-Sev (12") 16" 1½" EM Re Re. The smallest daylily we grow. Tiny cranberry red blooms on slender stalks over tidy, finely textured dark green foliage.
- CRYSTAL CUPID** 8.00
E (14") 17" 2" M Re. Clear soft yellow blooms on slender stems over graceful, grassy foliage. Foliage can be chlorotic in dense, higher pH soils.
- DAH LEE SU** 10.00
E (18") 26" 2½" EM Re. Abundant small blooms with alternating rose-buff and soft yellow petals. Clean, grassy foliage and slender scapes remind one of a large freesia.
- FAIRYTALE PINK** Disc. Sub ROCKING CRADLE
- FRANKLY SCARLETT PPAF** 10.00
D (15"-18") 20"-26" 4" EE Re Re. The longest blooming, most heat and disease tolerant red we grow. By far our best selling. Most reds "slick" or "melt" in hot sun. Frankly Scarlett looks great all day. Dark bluish green foliage is briefly dormant between Christmas and Super Bowl. 2003 All American
- FUZZ BUNNY** 10.00
E (16") 18" 3½" EM Re. Soft yellow, round carnation-formed blooms held above vigorous, compact foliage.
- GALLANT'S FANCY** Disc. (rust)
- HAPPY RETURNS** Not good for most areas of CA. Sub DESIGNWISE BITSY, CRYSTAL CUPID
- LADY™ ROSE** 12.00
E (15") 21" 5½" M Re. Rosy pink blooms and dense, compact foliage. Great border plant.
- LITTLE BOBO** 10.00
E (12") 18" 2" EM Re. The tiniest soft red flowers with light cream edges. Excellent foliage for borders.
- LITTLE GRAPETTE** Sub PLUM PERFECT
- LITTLE JOY** 8.00
D (18") 28" 2" EM Re. Rich deep garnet with lush apple green foliage.
- LITTLE WITCHING HOUR** 10.00
E (14") 19" 3¼" M Re. This deep lavender bloom has a dark plum eye, tiny green throat, and a bewitching watermark that appears blue from some angles. Tall, slender bloomstalks and short but wide shiny dark green foliage completes the picture.
- MASTER MAGICIAN** 10.00
E (14") 22" 3¼" M Re Re. This creamy peach/pink bloom with a clear red eye catches everyone's attention. Low, shiny dark green foliage tolerates some shade.
- MINI PEARL** 8.00
D-Sev (14") 18" 3" E Re. Dainty pale, pearlescent peach blooms; shiny medium green foliage. Great for borders.
- MISS™ VICTORIA** 10.00
E-Sev (18") 24" 4" E Re Re. Profuse clear yellow blooms have a honey-lemon fragrance. Rapid growth and dense, billowy foliage make this great in mass.
- MRS. WILSON** 8.00
E (16") 24" 5" M Re. Slender pointed yellow gold petals with tips and centers dusted in sienna. Very tidy clean, low foliage.
- OUR GERTRUDE** 10.00
E (15") 24" 5" EM Re Re. Brilliant "school bus" orange-gold blooms above tidy, dark green leaves. The best foliage of any daylily we grow. Very popular with landscape professionals.

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PANDORA'S BOX 10.00

D-Sev (13") 20" 4" M Re. Striking! A pale, near-white bloom with a large plum eye. Thrives in heat or cold.

PARDON ME Not good for most areas of CA.
Sub FRANKLY SCARLETT.

PLUM PERFECT PPAF 10.00

E (15"-20") 20"-24" 3½" E Re Re One of our stars. Striking purple/plum blooms, usually in profuse clusters, vigorous growth, and lots of repeat bloom. Excellent mass plant. 2003 All American.

POJO 12.00

Sev (16") 23" 3" EM Re Small, consistently double dark yellow flowers on wiry scapes. Fine grassy foliage.

PRAIRIE BLUE EYES Sub LITTLE WITCH. HR.

PYEWACKET Disc. Try MASTER MAG. LITTLE WITCH. HR. or BLUSHING "Summer Valentine."

RASPBERRY PIXIE 10.00

Sev (18") 24" 1" E Re. Fragrant tiny raspberry/mauve florets. Heat, drought and cold tolerant.

ROCKING CRADLE 10.00

E (14") 18" 3" EE Re Re. This delicate lavender/pink ivory blend is the longest blooming non-yellow in our nursery. More pink in cooler weather, more cream or ivory in hotter. Excellent foliage for borders.

TEN OF THE WORST DAYLILIES FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

These varieties can perform very well in other climates, but should not be planted here:

Catherine Woodbery, Gentle Shepherd, Happy Returns, Hyperion, Irish Elf, Mini Stella, Pardon Me, Prairie Blue Eyes, Ruby Stella, Stella de Oro

THE BEST DAYLILIES FOR INLAND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

These varieties tolerate dry heat, wide temperature swings and smog (good conditions for tall bearded iris):

Acapulco Night, Blushing Summer Valentine, designWise™ Bitsy, Frankly Scarlett, Gingerbread Man, Lavender Dew, Lemonn Vista™, Mahogany Whispers, Miss Victoria, Persian Market, Sue Booth, Texas Redstar

THE BEST DAYLILIES FOR COASTAL CALIFORNIA

These varieties tolerate cool, damp nights, onshore winds and salty soils, and resist daylily rust:

Annie Golightly, Aztec Evergreen, Blushing Summer Valentine, designWise Bitsy, Lavenderr Vista™, Lemonn Vista, Little Witching Hour, Master Magician, Our Gertrude, Plum Perfect, Rocking Cradle, Rojo Alto, Rosy Vista™, Tiger Time, Yellow Mist

ROSELLA SHERIDAN 12.00

Sev (16") 23" 5½" M Re. Pink bloom, green throat.

STELLA DE ORO Not Available

The world's most popular daylily. Needs cool winters. Not for coastal Southern California or Florida. Try BITSY or BLACK EYED STELLA

STRAWBERRY CANDY Disc. (rust) Try MASTER MAGICIAN or BLUSHING Summer Valentine

TERRA COTTA BABY 10.00

E (15") 22" 2¾" EE Re Re. Small, rosy tan hued blooms on dark wiry scapes. Drought, heat and shade tolerant. Over 225 bloom days for us.

TINY PUMPKIN 8.00

E (15") 20" 2" EM Re. Round and flat, light peach to apricot. Spiky foliage adds interest and texture. Looks almost like a taller freesia. Very popular with landscape professionals. Long bloom time.

TOOTSIE ROSE 10.00

D (10") 15" 3" EM. One of the best rose pink colors in small daylilies. A great border plant.

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BEARDLESS IRIS INFORMATION

DUTCH, ENGLISH OR SPANISH IRIS are bulbs grown mainly for their cut flowers. Since Greenwood's emphasis is on plants for landscaping, we do not offer these.

CRESTED IRIS, SHADE BUTTERFLY IRIS, IRIS JAPONICA (not Japanese iris). **Iris 'Nada'** (sometimes sold as *Iris japonica* 'Nada') is the perfect drought tolerant shade iris for Southern California. Ruffled white with lilac blooms, on wiry 18"-24" stems over lustrous, broad 12"-18" tall fern green foliage. Great with Clivias, Camellias and Maidenhair Ferns. **Bare root – 8.00**

1g - 10.00 (9-18" x 14-18" H) **5g - 20.00** (18-24" W x 22-26" H) **15g - 80.00** (24-36" W x 22-28" H)

JAPANESE IRIS or *Iris ensata* are tall, water loving plants with large white, blue and pink blooms. Their intolerance of alkaline water or soil make them too touchy for us to grow in Southern California. Louisiana irises are good substitutes.

SIBERIAN IRIS have similar problems in Southern California, although 'Caesar's Brother' is okay here. Try Louisiana or Spuria iris. For a similar, but evergreen foliage effect, try Dietes 'Lemon Drop'. No bare root availability (pick up at nursery only).

***I. sibirica* 'Caesar's Brother' & 'Coronation Anthem' 1g - 10.00 5g - 20.00**

LOUISIANA IRIS have lush dark green foliage, prefer a little shade, and can tolerate poorly drained soil. They can even be grown in ponds.

Iris Louisiana 'Sea Wisp': 28"-38" tall stalks with sky blue blooms. The first Louisiana iris we've seen that sporadically reblooms in Fall or Winter. **Bare root - 10.00 1g - 10.00 5g - 20.00**

PACIFIC COAST NATIVES (PCN's) are early April blooming garden gems bred from iris species such as *Iris douglasiana* that are native to California, Oregon and Washington. Although relatively easy in Northern California, PCN's are challenged by conditions in Southern California. Avoid reflected heat. Do not plant in medians or parking lots, and do not allow potted plants to sit on hot pavement. Many experienced landscape professionals substitute 'Grandma's Purple Flag' for PCN's where heat or soil conditions are tough, and 'Great Grandma's Purple Flag' closer to the coast or in partial shade. *Iris x 'Nada'* is also great in dry shade.

SPURIA IRIS are tall perennial irises (2½'-6' tall). Clear colored blooms are held above erect dark green foliage. Resembling giant Dutch Iris, spurias make excellent cut flowers. Yellow and white spurias come back year after year in old gardens and abandoned homesteads, and are mistakenly referred to as 'Japanese Irises'. Unlike Japanese irises, spurias are heat and drought tolerant. They prefer a rich, heavy soil with their roots in the shade (or mulched) and their tops in at least half a day of full sun. **5g - 20.00** (Pick up at nursery only)

FORTNIGHT LILY, MORAEA, SUN BUTTERFLY IRIS: *Dietes vegeta* (*Moraea iridioides*) and *D. bicolor* are familiar landscape plants with beautiful iris-like blooms. Some people avoid them because their rank growth, brown leaf tips and self-seeded "volunteers" are messy. We grow *Dietes* 'Lemon Drop', a superior Southern California bred hybrid. 'Lemon Drop' is one-third to half the size of its parents, and has tidy, very dark green foliage. Sterile flowers appear almost any time of year. Plant with grasses, perennials, or even as a formal, unclipped hedge.

'Lemon Drop'	Bare root	8.00	
	1g	(9-14" W x 15-20" H)	10.00 (Pick up at nursery only)
	5g	(16-24" W x 18-26" H)	20.00 (Pick up at nursery only)
	15g	(26-36" W x 26-32" H)	78.00 (Pick up at nursery only)

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BEARDED IRIS INFORMATION

BEARDED IRIS are the showiest, most fragrant iris group, yet they are also the most drought and heat tolerant. In Southern California, they are far more heat/drought tolerant than our native California irises. Landscape use has been limited in the past due to their short bloom season. That has changed. We now have varieties that rebloom – up to five times annually. With proper selection, gardeners in California can enjoy blooming irises every month of the year.

Bearded iris are the most widespread garden iris type. They range from the 8” tall Miniature Dwarf Bearded through Standard Dwarf, Intermediate, Miniature Tall, Border Bearded and Tall Bearded. Since most smaller bearded iris varieties need a substantial winter chill to bloom well, we grow mostly tall beardeds. How tall depends on winter chill and spring temperatures. Varieties that are reliably tall for us (over 26”) are noted.

Bearded iris blooms have six petals: three that stand up (standards) and three that hang down (falls). Each fall has a small fuzzy spot near the throat (the beard). Older iris varieties, with narrower, less ruffled standards than newer tall beardeds, are referred to as “Van Gogh style” blooms. Peak iris bloom here is late April-May.

CARE: Tall bearded iris prefer average garden conditions, with at least half a day of full sun. They do not like soggy, shady areas with poor air circulation. In Southern California, rhizomes (swollen tuber-like roots) should have ¼” to ½” of soil covering them, and should not be smothered by mulch or herbaceous ground covers. Tall bearded irises can survive a drought and low soil fertility, but they will thrive among roses and daylilies. For optimum bloom, reinvigorate your iris clumps by digging and dividing them every 2-4 years. We fertilize infrequently, but top dress with compost and gypsum in January/February and August/September.

USES: The story of tall bearded (TB’s) irises in the landscape is one of missed potential. Irisarians grow them in monocultures, avoiding companion plants. Although spectacular in bloom, these collections are not landscapes or gardens. Here are some tall bearded iris ideas:

Roses – The foliage and flowers of TB’s are the perfect complement to rose plants. Reblooming TB’s enjoy the same care and feeding as roses. The award-winning rose garden at Lacey Park in San Marino, CA, is a great example of how irises can create a formal effect and hide the “knobby knees” of tea roses.

Provence, Tuscany – These two place names evoke romantic but horticulturally appropriate visions of lavender, rosemary, irises, citrus, Italian cypresses and more irises.

Succulents – Tall bearded foliage harmonizes well with the foliage of succulents. The blooms are a welcome added treat. At Rancho de las Flores, we have combined them with aloes, agaves and dasyliirions along with haworthias and crassulas.

Native and natural style – TB’s look great with salvias, penstemons and poppies. They are very effective planted next to rocks or emerging from between cobbles along dry creek beds.

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(Bare root plants shipped mid-June through February)

KEY TO IRIS ABBREVIATIONS:

r = May rebloom at other times of the year, but not consistently.

R = Consistent rebloomer for us.

RR = Multiple bloom cycles each year.

BEVERLY SILLS	8.00	EDITH WOLFORD Disc. Sub JURASSIC PARK	
Famous tall ruffled reblooming peach/pink. Performs best if replanted every year or two. R		EGGNOG	10.00
BLATANT	14.00	Wide rounded blooms are a soft mustard yellow. R	
Bright yellow standards and brighter purplish/magenta falls. Vigorous and captivating. Medium height. R		FEEDBACK	10.00
BOUNTIFUL HARVEST	8.00	Bright purplish blue medium sized blooms stand out in the garden. Great fragrance. Medium height. RR	
Vigorous, medium height plant with white blooms edged in purple. R		FREQUENT FLYER	11.00
BREAKERS	8.00	Our most popular iris. Handsome gray green foliage on vigorous clumps. Ruffled white blooms with pale lemon beards and a clean fragrance. Cut stems of 'Frequent Flyer' have flown on a Rose Parade float! RR	
Very tall, well branched stalks are great for cutting. Dark purplish blue blooms are ruffled and profuse. Excellent mass landscape plant. Fragrant. R		FREQUENT VIOLET (R. Figge)	10.00
BRIGHT WARRIOR	11.00	A tall purple with medium sized blooms that blooms almost as much as 'Frequent Flyer'. RR	
A slightly more ruffled, earlier blooming version of 'Cable Car'. Plant it behind 'Cable Car' to extend the bloom season.		GOING MY WAY Discontinued. BOUNTIFUL HARVEST blooms more.	
CABLE CAR	11.00	'GRANDMA'S PURPLE FLAG'	8.00
Glowing, large honey brown blooms begin in mid season and go on and on. Superb foliage. Very popular with landscape professionals.		This familiar 15"-20" little gem is found in old home sites throughout America. Small "Van Gogh style" clear purple blooms have bluish beards and a spicy fragrance. Erect, spiky foliage is very heat and cold tolerant. RR	
CANTINA	8.00	'GREAT GRANDMA'S PURPLE FLAG'	8.00
A fascinating flower. Robust medium-height plants bear intriguing ruffled blooms. Opening a rich orchid-purple with a shimmering blue wash, the flowers slowly transition to light purple and mauve.		A bit taller than 'Grandma's Purple' with softer, more shade tolerant foliage. Profuse purple blooms have small white and gold beards. Excellent for coastal conditions. RR	
CHAMPAGNE ELEGANCE	8.00	HINDENBURG Disc. Sub ORANGE HARVEST	
Tall, well branched bloomstalks with white standards and buff peach falls. R		IDA RED	11.00
DAZZLING GOLD	8.00	We've been hoarding this one for years, and finally have enough. Vigorous, medium height plant with glowing deep wine red blooms. RR	
Brilliant gold blooms with soft sienna brush-strokes. Medium height. R		IMMORTALITY	8.00
DUSKY CHALLENGER	8.00	Famous bluish white rebloomer. 'Van Gogh style' blooms. Medium height. Sweet fragrance. R	
Huge, dramatic, ruffled dark purple blooms with a blue shimmer on tall, vigorous, well-branched stalks. Very popular. Late season bloom.			

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- IRIS PALLIDA ‘ZEBRA’ (AUREO VAR.)** 10.00
This garden favorite is grown more for its striking creamy variegated deciduous foliage than its fragrant blue blooms. Avoid intense heat and poor drainage.
- IRIS P. ‘WHITE ZEBRA’ (ARG. VAR.)** 10.00
Similar to ‘Zebra’ but with white or “silver” variegation. Less vigorous.
- JENNIFER REBECCA** 8.00
The first modern repeat blooming true pink. Slow growing. Mix with ‘Sweet Musette’ for an extended show. R
- JURASSIC PARK** 10.00
A show stopper! Tall, branched stalks with huge, well-spaced blooms. Standards are a smoky yellow and falls are dramatic purple. One bloomstalk in a vase makes an instant flower arrangement. R
- MARY FRANCES** 8.00
Large clean pure lavender blooms and handsome foliage make this a favorite with landscape professionals. Nice fragrance. Try it near wisteria, lavender or ‘Iceberg’ roses. Reblooms best within five miles of the coast. R
- MERRY MADRIGAL** Disc. Sub JURASSIC PARK
- ORANGE HARVEST** 14.00
Medium height, soft clear orange with deep orange beards. R
- PAPRIKA FONOS** 8.00
A vigorous early season bloomer in rich earth tones. Buff ivory blooms are almost completely covered with spots and splashes of paprika. Blooms appear red from a distance. R
- PERSIAN BERRY** 8.00
Captivating color provokes comments from all our visitors. Rich orchid pink blooms with hints of lavender look slightly different every day. Extremely vigorous growth and extended bloom season.
- SKYLAB** Disc. WORLD PREMIER is better.
- SUMMER OLYMPICS** 8.00
This soft clear yellow medalist shines in your garden in any season. Narrower foliage and blooms than ‘Total Recall’. RR
- SUPERSTITION** 8.00
Our most popular black for over 10 years. Deep, velvety red black blooms appear late in the season and have an alluring berry fragrance.
- SWEET MUSETTE** 8.00
The star of the late season! Just as most irises are wrapping it up, this beauty sends up tall, vigorous stalks filled with buds. Huge ruffled blooms have soft rose pink standards and rich lilac pink falls.
- TOTAL RECALL** 8.00
Very large soft yellow blooms on thick, well branched stalks. Similar to ‘Breakers’ in vigor and size. Superb foliage. RR
- VICTORIA FALLS** 8.00
Very tall, well branched stalks with large ruffled sky blue blooms accented by a white splash on the falls. RR
- WAR CHIEF** 10.00
Striking brick red blooms on tall plants.
- WHOOPEM UP** 11.00
Small blooms with clear gold standards over mahogany falls on short, well branched stalks. Border plant. R
- WINE FESTIVAL** 11.00
Tall bloomstalks with white blooms bordered by, and nearly covered with, dark wine-red dots. R
- WORLD PREMIER** 10.00
Tall, well-branched stalks with stunning two-toned blooms. Standards are a crisp sky blue and falls are a velvety deep cobalt blue. Excellent foliage. R

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CANNAS

With bold flowers and bolder foliage, cannas are the flamboyant clowns of the perennial world. Extremely popular in the Midwest, South and East, their use in California landscapes has been limited for a number of reasons.

1. Cannas like warm nights. Although our climate is warmer year round, Eastern nights in May or June are warmer and more humid. Our cold spring nights slow the emergence of cannas from their semi-dormant winter state. For best results, protect cannas from cool coastal breezes and plant them where pavement or masonry walls will re-radiate heat at night.
2. Cannas can go dormant or look straggly. The key to canna vigor and appearance in our climate is a simple grooming technique. After the first cluster of blooms on a cane has finished, cut that cane back to the ground. With secondary bloom bud showing, it is tempting to remove just the spent blooms. If this is done, over time the plant habit will become more and more sprawling, with spindly new canes.
3. Canna viruses. A complex of at least four viruses together cause slow spring growth, reduced vigor, streaky foliage and misshapen blooms. Our mild winters allow cannas to avoid full dormancy, which allows the viruses to over winter. The viruses are spread by cutting tools and insects, so most cannas in California are infected. Virus free plants are usually infected within a year. Some of the varieties that suffer worst from virus symptoms include: 'Lucifer', 'Technicolor' (Pink Sunburst), 'Wisley Dwarf', 'Panache' and 'Ehemanni'. The key is to plant vigorous virus-resistant cultivars, site and prune them properly.

From over 300 varieties tested, we have found the following varieties to be best for year round performance in California. They may show some virus symptoms in spring, but will grow out of the symptoms, usually blooming through November. Cannas are available only in 5 gal. containers. Pick up at nursery only.

CHOCOLATE INFERNO^{PPAF} 30.00

From our own breeding program. Darker, shinier foliage than 'Intrigue', one of its parents. The dark, glossy leaves set off the intense pure red orange blooms that seem to glow with an inner fire.

EREBUS 20.00

One of the Longwood Gardens aquatic series, suitable for aquatic or terrestrial planting. Slender, glaucous foliage to 4-5 feet with slender, iris-like pale salmon blooms.

ERMINE 20.00

Lovely bluish green foliage to 4-5 feet sets off the full, ruffled palest yellow ("white") blooms.

GAIETY 20.00

Graceful bright green foliage to 4-6 feet. Slender bright orange petals with gold edges.

INTRIGUE 20.00

Narrow vigorous bronze/maroon foliage to 5-8 feet can serve as a stunning tropical hedge or screen. We have it planted behind several "Brandy" roses. Small blooms are soft orange/salmon.

LIBERTYTM CORAL ROSE^{PPAF} 20.00

Stunning, wide dark bronze/maroon foliage to only 3-4 feet. Large rich rosy pink blooms. An excellent replacement for 'Zulu Queen'.

PRETORIA (BENGAL TIGER) 20.00

Classic vigorous pale green leaves with conspicuous yellow veins are topped by large orange blooms.

RA 20.00

Another of the Longwood aquatic/terrestrial cannas. Slender glaucous foliage to 4-6 feet with small, clean, lemon yellow blooms.

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CLIVIAS

Although lush and tropical looking, clivias are incredibly tough, tolerating deep shade, tree roots and long periods without water. In their native South Africa, they are sometimes called “bush lilies” and are often found growing from cracks in rocks and even in the crotches of tree branches.

Here in California they can be used under oak, schinus or sycamore trees, and combined with camellias, maidenhair ferns, Iris ‘Nada’, Geranium maderense, or Pelargonium tomentosum.

Clivias do not like soggy, poorly drained soil, intense direct sunlight, frequent overhead irrigation or temperatures well below freezing.

Blooming mostly from January through March, clivias provide a burst of cheerful color during the least colorful time of year. Landscape professionals have sometimes avoided clivias due to the inconsistent size/quality of plants and the limited range of bloom colors. Confusion also exists between Belgian and French hybrids. Since European-bred clivias are selected for greenhouse production and interior use, they are not necessarily bred for California landscape performance.

Our breeding program has relied on the genetics developed by a group of California hybridizers, including Jim Comstock, Herb Kelly, Doug McGavin and Joe Solomone. Progress is slow, but exciting. Soon we expect to introduce lines of dwarf, salmon peach and yellow clivias. In the meantime, we offer our “Comstock Lode” mix of shades of orange blooms on uniformly vigorous disease resistant foliage, as well as a narrow leafed and a broad leafed selection of yellow flowering clivias.

Clivias grow slowly, leading some growers to sell small sprigs of foliage in a five-gallon container. Since clivias like having their roots crowded, we sell them by size and age. All plants are container grown and cost the same in containers or bare root. Foliage is not cut back on bare root clivias.

Clivia “Comstock Lode”

1g	1½ -3 yr plants	9”-12” W x 10”-15” H	10.00	(Bare root or 1g)
1g	2 – 4 yr plants	12”-18” W x 15”-18” H	13.00	(Bare root or 1g)
1g	3 – 6 yr plants	18”-24” W x 20”-26” H	16.00	(Bare root or 1g)
5g	4 – 7 yr plants	18”-28” W x 18”-30” H	20.00	(Pick up only)
15g	5 – 10 yr plants	24”-36” W x 28”-36” H	78.00	(Pick up only)

Clivia

Narrow leafed yellow

1g	2 – 4 yr plants	12”-14” W x 10”-14” H	20.00	(Bare root or 1g)
1g	3 – 6 yr plants	12”- 18” W x 12”-18” H	25.00	(Bare root or 1g)

Broad leafed yellow

1g	2 – 4 yr plants	12”-14” W x 10”-14” H	20.00	(Bare root or 1g)
1g	3 – 6 yr plants	14”-20” W x 14”-20” H	25.00	(Bare root or 1g)
5g	4 – 7 yr plants	18”-28” W x 18”-28” H	35.00	(Pick up only)

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GERANIUM (1) AND PELARGONIUMS (MANY) – Page 1

4" - 5.00

1g - 10.00

5g - 20.00

Which is which? The botany can be a bit mind-numbing, but basically geraniums are generally from northern climates, often requiring a winter chill (vernalization) and acid soil to thrive. Pelargoniums are generally from Mediterranean climates like South Africa and are usually drought tolerant, but damaged by frost. Both genera are part of the geranium family (Geraniaceae).

Geranium maderense: While there are other fine geraniums that will grow in Southern California (Geranium 'Rozanne', 'Biokovo' and sanguineum), we only grow this one. Usually a biennial, geranium maderense thrives in a tough combination of dry shade and crowded tree roots better than almost any other option. While vegetative, geranium maderense resembles a large (18"-28" W x 24"-36" H) mounding begonia with dissected foliage. During the 3-7 month flower display, it looks more like a sturdy, broad delphinium with hundreds of lavender-magenta blooms. Self seeds readily.

The Pelargonium genus varies greatly and we grow fewer than 500 of the many thousands of varieties in existence. Those that we do grow share a number of care requirements for success in the garden.

Living Soil for Long Life - Most pelargoniums are sold as annuals (disposable plants) and the peat/perlite mixes they are grown in ensure a short life in the ground. Our own heavier compost based mix is more compatible with garden soils, providing a slower growing, but healthier and longer lived plant.

Warm Days, Cool Nights - These plants need the Pacific Ocean influenced climate. Malibu, Pasadena, Concord and San Jose are fine. Phoenix, Chicago and New Orleans are not.

Avoid Soggy Soil, Wet Foliage – When in doubt, water established pelargoniums in the garden less, not more. Once per week should be plenty (as with irises). Overhead irrigation is good, but avoid watering late in the day or at night.

Cut Back 75% Every Year - The ancestors of our plants inhabited areas of South Africa similar to our chaparral, filling the role of salvias, etc. If controlled burns intimidate you, cut back the foliage by 75% every year, sometime between Thanksgiving and Super Bowl. Depending on the situation, we use pruning shears, hedge trimmers, a weedeater or even a machete. Without the pruning, new growth will initiate from the end of the previous years, leading eventually to woody sprawl and declining vigor.

Small Plants Adapt Best – After years of experimentation, we have decided to grow most of our pelargoniums in deep (nearly twice as deep as most 4-inch) 4-inch pots in compost based soil that we produce. The difference between our 4-inch grown and a one-gallon is a few weeks of growth, but the 4-inch grown plants live longer and have fewer problems in the landscape.

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PELARGONIUMS – Page 2

4” - 5.00

1g - 10.00

5g - 20.00

The pelargonium varieties listed below are a fraction of the total that we grow, but are the most suited to use in the landscape. A broader selection is available at our growing grounds (Saturdays, April-June), at the L.A. Garden Show (www.lagardenshow.com), the Southern California Garden Show (www.springgardenshow.com) and at select independent retail nurseries (ask yours). We do not ship pelargoniums/geraniums.

IVIES (PELARGONIUM X PELTATUM)

Ivy pelargoniums are available from an abundance of sources, so we just grow a few. All prefer to grow within ten miles of the ocean and thrive in immediate seacoast conditions.

SEVILANA

This variety came to us from a grower in Israel. It seems to tolerate dry heat better than many of the ivies. We love its abundance of pure red (not pinkish) blooms, and have planted it to cover the lower part of ‘Altissimo’ and ‘Valentine’s Day’ climbing roses.

DOUBLE BURGUNDY

Our original, over 20-year-old specimen of this is growing in Somis and has climbed 12 feet into a scarlet trumpet vine

ZONALS (PELARGONIUM X HORTORUM)

These are the classic red or orange plants most people envision when they hear ‘geranium’. Rounded felty leaves usually have a darker “zone” pattern, hence the name. Zonals are very heat tolerant, but can suffer from rust closer to the coast. Since we don’t spray for rust, we grow only the most rust-resistant.

DISTINCTION

The classic red-flowered zonal, but with cleaner, disease resistant leaves that have crisp dentate edges. Heirloom variety.

MRS. HENRY COX

Famous “fancy leaf” zonal with wild multi-colored foliage (cream, green, yellow and even red) and warm pink blooms

FORMOSA (FORMOSUM)

Delicate and exotic looking, but tough as can be. Dissected olive green foliage and a profusion of fringed, peach colored blooms.

REDONDO

A compact, more intense colored version of the typical zonal. Deep green leaves with nearly black zonal markings and deep red-orange flowers.

FRANK HEADLEY

Familiar 18”-24” tall shrub with a profusion of salmon blooms set off by dark green leaves with white variegation

VANCOUVER CENTENNIAL

Well known dwarf fancy-leaf zonal. Bronze foliage with chartreuse edges and orange blooms. Likes part shade, not intense heat.

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REGALS/MARTHA WASHINGTONS (PELARGONIUM X DOMESTICUM)

These prom queens of the pelargonium world put on the biggest show for the shortest time (2-3 months) of all our pelargoniums. Blooms stop when temperatures top 80°F. Think of them as drought tolerant substitutes for azaleas, and wonderful Mother's Day gifts. Also available in 5-gallon containers.

DARK MYSTERY

Our own introduction, blooms longer than most regals, with scattered rebloom in the fall. Deep chocolatey reddish black blooms on handsome 2-3 foot shrubs.

BELINDA

Bright rose pink

FIRE DANCER (TUNIA PERFECTA)

Red

GEORGIA PEACH

Pale peach

KATY

Bright peach

MARLENE

Large lavender

MERE COCKTAIL

Compact, early two-tone purple

POWDER PINK

Large light pink

REMBRANDT

Rich purple

WHITE CHAMPION

Large white

UNIQUES

These amazing hybrids combine the stature and stunning blooms of regals with the less flashy presentation and incredible heat/drought tolerance of other species. Uniques are an essential addition to the shrubby perennial plant palette of the drought tolerant garden. Also available in 5-gallon containers.

COPTHORNE

Deep lavender blooms for 9-10 months on handsome mounding 26"-38" tall dark green foliage. The perfect replacement for azaleas, raphiolepis.

ROLLER'S SATINIQUE

Soft, grey green foliage to 20"-30" by 30" resembles a fuzzier version of *Lavandula dentata*. Glowing salmon pink blooms for over 9 months per year are not gaudy. We have them planted with *Muehlenbergia rigens* and *Salvia clevelandi*.

NEW VOODOO

Picture a Star Jasmine with one-inch diameter bright red blooms and you have 'New Voodoo'. Like Star Jasmine it can be trained as a ground cover shrub or vine (although it is not as twining). On a fence, downspout or espalier, it is a refined, smaller scale alternative to *Bougainvillea* 'San Diego Red'. Hummingbirds love it.

Also available: **Old Scarlet Unique, Polka**

SCENTEDS

Add fragrance to your plant palette with this diverse group of pelargoniums. For best fragrance effect, locate plants where the reflected heat off of masonry or the casual touch of a passerby releases the aroma. **To smell a scented pelargonium**, do not lead with your nose or pinch or smash foliage. Gently touch a leaf between a thumb and finger. Your touch will pick up some of the aromatic oils, and the heat of your finger releases the fragrance. Smell the finger. Repeat. Most of us can smell eight scented pelargoniums before washing our potpourri hands and starting over.

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BORDER AND SMALL GROUND COVER SCENTEDS

AROMA

The scented with the most formal growth habit. Tidy perfect 6"-8" tall mounds look like clipped olive green mounds of double curly parsley. Strong woody fragrance. Pure white blooms.

PINK SPICE

The longest blooming scented. Loose mounds of fresh apple green foliage 6"-9" tall x 12"-15" wide are covered with tiny soft pink blooms held just above the foliage.

VARIEGATED NUTMEG

Many variegated plants belong in collections not gardens. This one has many uses. The loose, spreading grey-green 9"-14" tall foliage with random creamy variegation looks great in front of tall bearded irises. It will cascade over a small wall or edge of a pot and is a nice foil for the bold shapes of agaves or dark phormiums.

Also available: **Apple, Cook's Apple, Curly, Nutmeg, Tutti Frutti, Aardwyck Cinnamon, Islington Peppermint**

LARGE GROUND COVER/VINING SCENTEDS

PEPPERMINT (PEL. TOMENTOSUM)

This is one of the most versatile and underused pelargoniums. Trained up a pillar or on an espalier, it releases a fresh, welcoming scent. It will blanket a steep, rocky slope or spread over oak, sycamore or pepper tree roots in deep, dry shade. We have it planted with fuchsias and camellias on one slope, and with Coast Live Oak, Geranium maderense and Clivias on another. The fuzzy 2"-4" diameter "puppy ear" leaves invite touching, which releases the true peppermint fragrance. Fast growing to at least 4' around, this plant will burn in full sun inland. Temperatures below 28°F will cause damage. Also available in 5-gallon.

CHOCOLATE PEPPERMINT (CHOCOLATE MINT)

Sorry, the chocolate refers to the handsome dark markings (very similar to some tiarella and rex begonia patterns) on the deeply lobed fuzzy leaves, especially in new growth. This cross of peppermint with oak leaf pelargonium grows less vigorously than peppermint and is happiest in part shade.

SHRUBBY SCENTEDS

LEMON FANCY

A tidier, more garden friendly version of 'Mabel Gray' or 'Citrosun' (neither of which actually repel mosquitos as claimed). This erect single or multi stemmed shrub to 28" tall has 2-3 inch in diameter rough palmate leaves with an intense clean lemon fragrance.

ROBER'S LEMON ROSE

"Looks like a tomato bush, smells like a lemon tree." This perfect description was heard from one of our customers. Fascinating foliage to 24", great lemon fragrance and occasional lavender blooms.

Also available: **Dr. Livingston, Strawberry, Lime, Charity**

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PELARGONIUMS – Page 5

SPECIES/SPECIES HYBRIDS

This catchall category is from Geraniums: The Complete Encyclopedia by Fay Brawner, an excellent resource. All should be included in the super drought tolerant plant palette.

PELARGONIUM IONIDIFLORUM (FAIRY CASCADES)

Almost non-stop sequence of small dark rose pink blooms. Finely dissected trailing dark green foliage to 6" high, 12"-15" around. Takes high heat and cold temperatures into the upper teens.

PELARGONIUM SIDOIDES 'BURGUNDY'

Often erroneously sold as P. sidoides. (The true species develops a tuber and has black flowers that are fragrant at night.) 'Burgundy' has mounding rosettes of soft grey foliage and a 10-month per year display of deep burgundy blooms on slender 12-15" tall stalks. Excellent border plant, with irises or succulents or to replace the dead heucheras you keep trying.

ANGELS

Angel pelargoniums are fascinating crosses of regal pelargoniums and (usually) scented pelargoniums; some have been called mini regals or pansy face pelargoniums. Their popularity is soaring due to their long bloom period, massive flower displays and trouble free, usually fragrant foliage. Some of the varieties we grow (and usually sell out of at the shows) include:

AURELIA

Ultra dwarf pink

BETTY BOOP

Lavender

EDWARDS MICHAEL

Two-tone pink/white

FRINGED GABRIEL

Maroon

GARY'S NEBULA

Ultra dwarf red

PELARGONIUM 'WHITE LADY'

From Jay Kapac, a California hybridizer, comes this excellent small slope or ground cover. Just when everything is at its Winter worst, White Lady's bright fern green foliage looks Spring fresh. A carpet of small pure white blooms appears in waves Spring-Fall.

TWEEDLEDEE

One of our all time favorites. Dark glossy green foliage with darker zonal markings to 15"-18" tall, topped by a solid mass of peach to salmon pink blooms. Blooms more than 9 months per year. Also available in five-gallon.

GOLDEN ANGEL

Gold variegated, pink

MADAM LAYAL

Lavender/purple pansy face

SANCHO PANZA

Maroon, purple

VERONICA CONTRERAS

Magenta/maroon

WYCHWOOD

Lemon scented pansy face