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**DISCLAIMER:** The following list of plants offered this spring season was compiled using plants already in stock, listed on acknowledgments or from orders placed but not yet received. We make every effort to keep this list current and accurate before posting it online about April 15 of the current year. Before making the trip to Klein's, it's a good idea to give us a call to make sure that we actually have the sought after item in stock. Sometimes we don't receive ordered items or sometimes items are substituted by our vendors at their discretion. Other times we experience a crop failure for whatever reason. And oftentimes we simply run out of product as the season progresses. In addition, pot or pack sizes are often changed at the last minute. **Telephone: 608/244-5661** (or toll-free 888/244-5661) or email us at [www.info@kleinsfloral.com](mailto:www.info@kleinsfloral.com). We're sorry for any inconvenience.

**ACALYPHA PENDULA/HISPIDA (Chenille Plant):** Bright red flowers are borne in long, pendent, tassel-like spikes. These tropical plants are best grown in light open shade with good air circulation. Keep moist. Allowing to dry too often will cause a rapid decline. Almost always grown in hanging baskets or containers.

'Firetail'--Graceful, fuzzy, fiery-red cattail-like flowers appear at the tips of dark green foliage. Great, heat-loving plant. (5" pot and/or 10" hanging baskets)

**ACALYPHA WILKESIANA (Copperleaf Plant):** A beautiful foliage plant with large, toothed, oval, delightfully colored leaves. Very closely related to the chenille plant. Most varieties grow 3-5' tall. They grow rapidly during warm summers. In cooler summers, the leaves are more brightly colored, but the plants remain shorter. A rare and exotic addition to large containers. Full sun to part shade. A member of the Euphorbia family of plants.

'Louisiana Red'--Shrub native to the tropical Pacific islands of Melanesia and has large, mottled bronze and red oval leaves and long, copper-green flowers. Can get quite large at 3-4' tall. Nice thriller for a large pot or in the back of beds. (5" pot)

**ACIDANTHERA, *Gladiolus callianthus* (Peacock Orchid):** Cormous plant with linear leaves. In summer and in autumn, bears loose spikes of up to 10 hooded, funnel-shaped, strongly scented, pure white flowers, 2" across, each with a prominent purple-red mark in the throat. Blooms curve downward on long, thin tubes. Grows 24-40". Must be dug in fall. Available in our bulb area.

**AFRICAN DAISY:** See *Osteospermum*

**AGASTACHE HYBRIDS (Hyssop):** Bees, butterflies and hummingbirds love the nectar rich flowers of hyssop--a member of the mint family of plants. Their colorful, tubular flowers on dense spikes bloom from mid-summer until frost. Leaves are nicely scented. Very drought tolerant. Many are common garden perennials, but some of the less hardy varieties are wonderful in beds and large containers and are treated as annuals. The

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following selections are only hardy to Zone 6 or higher. For hardier varieties refer to our perennial section.

**Kudos Series**--A genetically dwarf, well branched series of agastache. Amazingly free flowering and easy to grow. Kudos has an impeccable habit and long lasting, glowing color. Warm colored plumes are dense with a sweet honey-mint scent. A real standout in mixed containers, or as a border plant. Plants grow to about 16" tall. Exceptionally hardy to Zone 5! Available in gold, mandarin, red and yellow. (5" pot)

**'Morello'**--Amazingly huge, dense inflorescences of deep burgundy rose that bloom from spring through fall. Showy, dark foliage in cool temperatures extend the beauty. 'Morello' has a strongly upright habit that forms multiple crowns quickly and has a good mildew tolerance. Grows to 27-30" tall. (5" pot)

**Poquito Series**--A genetically dwarf, well branched series of agastache. Amazingly free flowering and easy to grow. Poquito has an impeccable habit and long lasting, glowing color. Warm colored plumes are dense with a sweet honey-mint scent. A real standout in mixed containers, or as a border plant. Plants grow to about 12" tall. Grow in average, well-drained soil in full sun. Use for border garden, aromatic, cut flower, nectarous plant as a butterfly host. Available in butter yellow and lavender. (5" pot)

**AGERATUM HOUSTONIANUM (Floss Flower):** Fuzzy blue, purple, pink or white flowers highlight this common bedding plant and depending on variety, uses range from edging to stunning, long-stemmed cut flowers. Grow in humus-rich, evenly moist, yet well-drained soil. Plant in full sun. Attracts butterflies. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability.**

**'Blue Horizon'**--Mid-blue flowers on sturdy stems make this variety ideal as a cut flower. Very attractive to butterflies. Grows to 24-30". No staking or pinching required. (3-pack)

**Hawaii Series**--A dwarf, compact series that requires little maintenance. Plants form neat little mounds and produce a profusion of powder-puff blooms all season long. Grows to 8". Available in blue. (4-pack)

**'Red Flint'**--Fluffy reddish tufts atop 24" stems are perfect for cutting or the middle of the border. (3-pack)

**ALOCASIA:** Fashion a tropical atmosphere with the enormous, velvety green rippled and patterned leaves produced by these large tubers-close relatives to colocasia (true elephant's ears). Spectacular as a tub plant, adding texture and curiosity to the landscape. Can also be used near or in water gardens. Most thrive in full to part shade and in moist soil. Move indoors before fall frost and store dormant or keep as a houseplant. We usually carry an assortment of varieties and pot sizes that changes from year to year. All have a place in the garden. Each is priced individually.

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'Borneo Giant'--Capable of reaching 6 feet or more in its first year, a mature specimen can exceed heights of 10-12 feet with individual leaves as big as 5 feet. The heart-shaped leaves are thick enough to prevent damage from average wind speeds and are held firmly upright by the hefty stems, making the size more manageable in the landscape. It is capable of growing in full sun if well-irrigated and planted in rich organic soil, but prefers to be shaded from late afternoon sun. (6" pot)

*Alocasia macrorrhiza* (Giant Upright Elephant Ear)--Thick, sculpted and glossy green leaves are held upright on thick and stiff stems. Very large, dramatic and eye-catching. (Available in the bulb area)

'Portodora'--This hybrid of *Alocasia ordora* and *Alocasia portei*, by LariAnn Garner of Aroidia Research, makes a stunning upright clump. The giant, wavy-edged green leaves are held upright by strong purple stalks. This is truly an architectural specimen plant for any garden. 'Portora' needs to have rich moist organic soil for optimal growth. Grows to 5-6'. Very sun tolerant. (10" pot)

*Alocasia wentii* (Upright Elephant Ear)--Although this easy-to-grow elephant ear was first described in 1916, the true *Alocasia wentii* has only recently become known in horticultural circles. From the remote mountains of New Guinea. The glossy bronze-green leaves reach 1' in length as they adorn this tightly clumping elephant ear. As the breeze blows, you will enjoy the contrasting metallic-purple leaf backs. For part sun to light shade. Grows to 36" tall. (6" pot)

**ALOE VERA:** Common succulent houseplant with spiky, thick, gray-green leaves. Widely naturalized in the subtropical parts of the world. The thick and sticky sap has healing properties and is especially effective on burns, sunburn, dermatitis and acne. Care should be taken if taken internally for constipation. An excellent potted plant for very well-drained soil in full sun. Propagate by offsets. (Available in 4, 6 and 10" pots)

### **ALPINIA ZERUMBET (Shell Ginger):**

'Variegata'--Yellow and green bicolor leaves. Though it flowers in the south, it rarely flowers in northern climates. Thrives on our hot and humid summers in large containers on the deck or patio. For full sun to part shade in rich and moist soil. This stunning foliage plant grows rapidly to 3-4'. Overwinter indoors as a houseplant or cut back and allow to regrow during the winter indoors. Very lovely around water features. (6" and 10" pots)

**ALSTROEMERIA HYBRIDS (Peruvian Lily):** When planted in filtered shade and moist, well-drained soil, these South American plants spread freely and put on a superb show from early summer into fall. 2" orchid-like blooms are borne on upright, lily-like stems. Use in the border, in pots or as a cut flower. Need to lift and store over winter. Easy to overwinter dormant in pots.

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Inca Series--A wonderful dwarf series known for its dependably non-yellowing foliage--a common problem for alstroemerias in areas where summers are hot and often dry. Available in 'Bandit' (red), 'Coral' (coral), 'Husky' (yellow and salmon), 'Lucky' (white with salmon throat), 'Noble' (deep purple) and 'Sundance' (buttery yellow). (6" pot)

'Little Miss Zoe'--Grows to 1 foot tall with narrowly lance-shaped leaves that have a broad cream to pale yellow central banding and irregular dark green margins. Flowers are reddish pink with a yellow base. (6" pot)

**ALTERNANTHERA HYBRIDS (Calico Plant):** An easy to grow, very versatile foliage plant at home in beds as well as containers. Tall varieties can be pruned hard or allowed to grow wild for varied interest. Foliage tends to be glossy and colors and patterns vary by variety. Many are shade loving foliage plants in usually bright colors and with interesting leaf patterns.

'Choco Chili'--This very heat tolerant dark purple foliage combines well with almost anything for summertime combination containers and baskets. The foliage is a nearly black-purple on top and a bright ruby on the bottom giving a multi-dimensional look. The vigorous upright, spreading habit arches over the edge of the containers and mingles well with other annuals. The plants are naturally compact. Foliage color is darkest under full sun conditions. Just 8-12" Tall. (5" pot)

'Jewel'--Pink, copper, gold and green foliage on compact plants. (5" pot)

'Party Time'--Bright pink and green foliage covers this great newer variety. Excellent companion plant for containers and hanging baskets. 18-24". (5" pot)

**ALYSSUM, *Lobularia maritima* (Sweet Alyssum):** Low-growing and attractive in rock gardens, containers, beds and hanging baskets. Very fragrant. Plant in full sun and keep moist. Prune back occasionally to improve appearance and flowering. All grow to 3". Attracts beneficial pollinators. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability.**

Clear Crystals Series--This exciting new tetraploid series delivers superior vigor; fragrant, larger flowers; and stronger performance in containers and landscapes. Available in lavender shades, purple shades, white and perhaps other colors if available from our wholesalers. (4-pack)

Easter Bonnet Series--Compact, uniform and early blooming. Color choices may vary throughout the season but are generally available in white, pink, purple and mixes from outside vendors. One of the more common garden varieties available. (4-pack)

Knight Series--This award winning heat loving alyssum grows fast and displays profuse clouds of dainty flower cushions over green or variegated foliage. Flowers all summer, well into fall. Rounded habit is great for baskets; will bloom until first frost. Available in

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Dark Knight (purple), Frosty Knight (white flowers with gold and green variegated foliage) and White Knight (pure white). (5" pot)

Marineland Series--The flowers are fragrant and completely cover this compact heat tolerant plant. Lobularia thrive in both warm and cool weather regions, providing continuous flowering the entire season. Plants are delightfully short and bushy. Available in 'Frosty Lemon' with pastel yellow blooms. (5" pot)

**AMARANTHUS (Joseph's Coat, Summer Poinsettia):** A useful annual for extra dry areas providing long-lasting blooms and colorful foliage. Blazing colors for backgrounds, beds and flower arrangements. Prefers full sun. Revels in hot, humid weather. Edible leaves and seeds. The seeds were once a staple grain of the Americas and are making a comeback in local grocery stores.

'Aurora' (A. tricolor)--Decorative, bright yellow foliage set atop bushy lower leaves of lush, dark green produce a striking effect. Grows 3-4' in height and is ideal for the back of the border or mass plantings. (3-pack)

'Autumn's Touch' (A. cruentus)--Blending perfectly into the late summer and autumn landscape, the giant 2-foot plumes atop this red amaranth combine soft pistachio-green and bronze tones to create restful, airy beauty in the sunny annual bed. The color shades from more intense green at the base to lighter celery hues and bronze at the tips. Unusual and so pretty. Perfect for cutting for fresh or dried arrangements, these massive blooms last for many weeks on the plant, delighting the songbirds who flock to feast on their seeds all fall. 36-48" tall. (3-pack)

'Carnival' (A. gangeticus)--A festive combination of hot summer colors explode in gardens and landscapes. A striking foliage plant with fiery shades of yellow and red contrasting with bronze leaves. Tall purple flowers are produced in late summer. A focal point for any display. Grows to 4'. (3-pack)

'Flaming Fountain' (A. tricolor)--Upper foliage teeming with red, crimson and bronze. Leaves are lance-shaped. Grows to 42" tall. (3-pack)

'Hot Biscuits' (A. caudatus)--Hot Biscuits is a rich amber color that seems to glow in the garden--the large burnt umber seed heads are impressive and eye-catching. Gorgeous in arrangements as well. This species was in use as a food source in Central America as early as 4000 BC. The plant is usually green in color, but a purple variant was once grown for use in Inca rituals. Grows to 6-7 feet tall. (3-pack)

'Perfecta' (A. tricolor)--A rainbow of bright foliage and tall, erect habit. The upper foliage is a brilliant display of scarlet and yellow, tops the base of yellow, green and chocolate-brown. Perfect for the back of the border, bedding or even among shrubs. 48-60" tall. (3-pack)

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**ANAGALLIS HYBRIDS (Pimpernel):** Pretty much unheard of in North America, anagallis has been a standard in European gardens since the last century. Plants are compact and usually intensely colored in blues and scarlets. Growing conditions vary by species, but they generally like full sun to part-shade and they generally bloom best during the cooler parts of early and again in late summer.

Wildcat Series--This North American bred series is very compact, blooms earlier and has larger flowers than most anagallis varieties. Grows to 6-12". Available in blue and mandarin orange. (5" pot)

**ANGELONIA ANGUSTIFOLIA (Summer Snapdragon):** Unheard of not so many years ago, angelonias have become one of our best loved summer annuals. Flowers are two-lipped with a shallow cup. Vigorous and requires high light conditions. Excellent in containers. Virtually pest-free and very fragrant. A must-have for every garden. Must be kept moist once established.

Angelface Cascade Series--Has a unique, semi-trailing growth habit with continuous flowering throughout the season. Superb heat tolerance. Ideal for hanging baskets and large containers. Plants grow about 10" tall and spread to 12-24". Available in blue, pink and white. (5" pot)

Angelface Series--Abundant spire-like blooms coat compact, upright plants. Excellent in the landscape and wonderful in wildflower gardens. Grows 18-24" tall. Available in blue, 'Perfectly Pink', 'Wedgewood' blue (a blue and white bicolor) and white. Loves heat and sun!! (5" pot)

Angelface Super Series--New in 2017! Abundant spire-like blooms coat compact, upright plants. Excellent in the landscape and wonderful in wildflower gardens. Grows taller than other Angelface types at up to 30+" tall. Available in blue, pink and white. Loves heat and sun!! (5" pot)

**ARGYRANTHEMUM FRUTESCENS:** Easy to grow and heat and drought tolerant, these daisies (relatives of garden mums) flourish in full sun to part shade. Foliage is usually deeply lobed and varies from green to intensely glaucous. Flowers are generally single and come in shades of white, pink, yellow or apricot. All bloom throughout the summer until a hard freeze, though may slow down in the peak of summer heat. Excellent in beds or in containers.

Butterfly Series--Early flowering, compact growth and everblooming. Excellent for the garden, planter box or pot. Grow in full sun. Well-drained, organic soils are best. Grows to 14-18". Keep soil moist but not soggy. Responds well to pruning and trimming. Deadhead regularly. Available in pure white and yellow. (5" pot)

**ASCLEPIAS CURASSAVICA (Annual Milkweed, Bloodflower):** Nonstop, 2-4" blooms that very much resemble our native asclepias tuberosa and monarch butterflies love them as much if not more. Plants are erect and bushy, growing to 36". For full-sun in

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well-drained soil. Native to Central and South America. Easy to overwinter and appears in houseplant books from the early 20th century.

'Monarch Promise'--This very special *Asclepias curassavica* has beautiful green and white variegated foliage that is tinged with red, orange and pink leaf tips. The bright orange-red flower attracts monarch butterflies and many other species of butterflies, bees and hummingbirds. This variety is great to use in the landscape or in container gardens to bring life to your patio. Grows to 24-30" tall. From Hort Couture. (5" pot)

'Red Butterfly'--This colorful, tropical variety grows to a height of 2 feet with bright orange and red, umbel type flower heads and glossy gray-green foliage. (3-pack)

Silky Series--The only widely available series. Available in deep red and gold. (2 and/or 3-pack)

**ASPARAGUS FERN, *Asparagus densiflorus*:** Age old foliage plants for use in mixed containers and hanging baskets for sun or shade. Plants actually sprout from bulbous roots and are a member of the lily family of plants. Equally useful in summer in the garden or as a houseplant during the winter months, though notoriously messy when they lose their "leaves" in our dry winter homes. The true leaves are the prickles that line the stems. What we call leaves are actually flattened stems. Plants can be cut back harshly before bringing indoors and will resprout during the winter months and produce insignificant white flowers, followed by bright red berries. Plants can grow to 18-36". Keep the soil evenly moist year round. Divide routinely by splitting the root ball.

'Myersii', syn. *A. meyeri* (Foxtail Fern)--An unusual and novel pot plant. Very graceful spikes form a cone shape. Upright. A fantastic focal point in mixed containers in the garden or on the patio and very long lived as a houseplant. Available throughout the year in our houseplant area. (4" coir and 10" pot)

Sprengeri (*Asparagus Fern*, Emerald Fern)--Common outdoor foliage plant and year-round indoor houseplant. Well-branched plant with woody tuberous roots. The arching stalks are woody and wireline with small, evergreen-like, bright green leaves. Has small white flowers followed by red berries. Very long-lived. Grows well in all conditions except the hottest sun. Used in mixed containers. (4" coir pot)

**ASPARAGUS MYRIOCLADUS (Ming fern):** This is a rarely-offered, tall growing species with strong, upright woody stems that produces very fine textured foliage, making excellent indoor and outdoor container plants. Forms nice clusters of red berries. Likes morning full sun or part shade. Grows to 2-4' tall. (5" pot)

**BABY'S BREATH, ANNUAL:** See *Gypsophila*

**BACHELOR'S BUTTONS:** See *Centaurea*

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**BACOPA, *Sutera cordata*:** Loads of smallish flowers bloom against a background of rich green foliage on trailing stems. It is both heat and disease resistant. Thrives in part-shade to full sun, but does best in shade when conditions are hot and dry. Plant in baskets, window boxes or beds. Maximum height is 4-6", but spreads up to 14". Keep moist. If it gets too dry the flowers will drop. If in the shade, do not overwater. Prune as desired. Foliage is very fragrant. Origin: Australia.

Boutique Series--Cascading, with full foliage. Grows to 4" tall and spreads to 12". Available in Tie-Dye White (large white flowers with bright pink centers). From Hort Couture. (5" pot)

Snowstorm Series--The most popular of the bacopas. Performs well in both sun and shade and is heat tolerant. Available in 'Giant Snowflake' (white). (5" pot)

**BALSAM, *Impatiens balsamina* (Touch-Me-Not):** A member of the impatiens family of plants. Flowers have a waxy texture and resemble miniature camellias. Plants are upright and bushy and studded with double flowers. Space plants 12" apart in full sun or partial-shade. They prefer a loose, well-drained soil high in organic matter. Very tolerant of high heat if kept moist enough. An old-fashioned favorite. May be affected by impatiens downy mildew.

Color Parade/Top Knot Mix--Pastel flowers top 14-16" plants. Large flowers are held well above the foliage. (4-pack)

**BANANA:** See *Musa* and/or *Ensete*

**BASIL, ORNAMENTAL:** See Herb Section

**BEGONIA, ANGELWING (OR CANE-STEMMED):** This type of begonia is grown for its habit, foliage and flowers. They are fibrous rooted and generally grow more upright. Stems are slender and bamboo-like. Leaves are long, often deeply lobed, and asymmetrical. Flowers are borne in cymes year round. All varieties make great houseplants. Prune as needed to maintain shape and size. Propagates easily.

Dragonwing Series (*B. x hybrid*)--A very heat-tolerant begonia, 12-15" tall. Large blooms that are somewhat pendulous; large, wing-shaped leaves are a solid glossy green. Excellent in hanging baskets and large containers. Also performs well in garden beds. Use in sun or shade. In sun, the foliage becomes bronze and the flowers richer in color. Very impressive. Available in red or pink. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

Shade Angel Series--A unique blend of the old house plant favorite Angel Wing begonias – known for being nearly indestructible. SHADE ANGEL™'s work inside and out, in combos, as deluxe bedding plants or simply an indoor accent. The series has a very unique, opalescent sheen to the foliage. Available in 'Pearl' (silver white, blushed rose leaves with dark purple edges and veins). (5" pot)

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**BEGONIA, ELATIOR/HIEMALIS/RIEGER:** A result of crossing a variety of tuberous begonia species. Traditionally categorized as winter-flowering begonias, they can bloom pretty much year-round. All are bushy plants with masses of single or double flowers. They thrive in bright, filtered light and lower humidity than most tuberous types. Easy to over winter. Most grow 10-14" tall. We receive a large number of our 4" Rieger-type begonias from outside sources throughout the spring season. Below are in-house grown varieties:

Solenia Series--Very tough begonias for high light and high humidity. This series has a high resistance to mildew and common foliar diseases. Plants have vivid, extra-large, fully double flowers with glossy, dark green foliage. Available in apricot, chocolate orange, dark pink, light pink, red, velvet red and yellow. (5" pot)

**BEGONIA, FIBROUS (OR WAX):** One of the few annuals that bloom under almost any light conditions, but they tend to do best in light (tree) shade. They bloom continuously and are rarely bothered by pests. Space 6-8" apart. Used both as bedding plants and in containers of all kinds. Generally grow 6-10" tall. Green leafed varieties are more sun tolerant than bronze leafed. **Variety selection may change throughout the season based on availability.**

Cocktail Series--Compact, 6-8" plants all have bronze foliage. May be available in 'Gin' (rose), 'Whiskey' (white), 'Vodka' (scarlet) and a mix based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Doublet Series--Bronze foliage. Unlike many other doubles, this series freely drops its spent blooms for a neater appearance. As with other double-flowered begonias, the male flowers are the doubles while the females have the traditional form. Available in red, rose and white. (4-pack)

Nightlife Series--Very early flowering and uniform at 6-8" tall. The series features large blooms that contrast well with the very dark bronze leaves--the darkest foliage on the market! Great performance in beds and containers. Available in pink, red and white based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Tophat Series--Has the biggest blooms of any big-type Begonia – up to 20% bigger than its rivals. Ideal option for landscaping, single large patio pots or in combinations in the garden. Similar to Whopper in habit and the only giant series available in white. (Giant 6-pack)

Whopper Series--This begonia series is definitely giant sized! With 2.5 feet tall plants and 3 inch blooms, the Whopper series will doubtlessly catch the eye in your flower bed. It replaces the Big Series form years past. For shade to part shade. Available in red with bronze leaves, rose with bronze leaves, red with green leaves and rose with green leaves. (Giant 6-pack)

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Yang Series--Heat tolerant...terrific garden performance...exceptional flower power Spring through Fall. Green-leafed varieties ('Yin' being the dark-leafed versions). 6-8" tall. Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Yin Series--Heat tolerant...terrific garden performance...exceptional flower power Spring through Fall. Dark-leafed varieties ('Yang' being the green-leafed versions). 6-8" tall. Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

**BEGONIA, REX (Syn. Rhizomatous):** Stunning foliage plant in shades of pink, burgundy, deep green and silver. As with all begonias prefers dappled shade in a protected spot. Almost exclusively used in containers. Makes a great houseplant.

'Autumn Embers'--The medium-sized, slightly puckered foliage glows in a bright, warm cinnamon-orange tone with red undersides. Pink flowers emerge and majestically rise above the foliage in the winter. (5" pot)

Bewitched Series--A new and striking begonia rex series whose growth habit is very consistent throughout the series. Available in pink, red/black and white. (5" pot)

Dibs Series--Large plants have striking colors and massive foliage, and they look great as a standalone or combined. Available in 'Rothko' (dark purple around the edges with deep pink centers). (5" pot)

'Garden Angel Blush'--Pewter-silver palmate leaves resemble those of a Japanese maple. Overlay coal black veins and a warm, rich violet blush and you've got unheard of drama on a super easy garden plant. Best classified as a shrub Begonia, it has a mounding, upright habit and flowers in late summer with small, single, pink flowers. Grows to 24" tall! (5" pot)

'Harmony's Fire Woman'--The striking pink banding over white with a dark center and veins is evident year round. This beauty performs well and maintains its color even in the summer heat. Large leaves, 24 inches high and 18 inches wide. (5" pot)

Jurassic Series--Bold colors and patterns for deepest shade. Plants are vigorous and well branched and tend to flower later than most varieties (usually a positive attribute in rexes). Grows to 10-16" tall. Available in 'Silver Point', 'Silver Swirl' and 'Watermelon'. (5" pot)

Nautilus Series--The Nautilus collection is unlike other begonia collections because the varieties contain very showy colors with swirling and spiraling leaf bases. They have dense, upright habits and thrive in full shade. Available in 'Lilac' (violet-rose and ruby-purple foliage outlined with a glossy black rim). (5" pot)

'Pegasus'--Features thick, deep-green, glossy leaves with silver overlay. It is beautiful on its own and also makes an exceptional thriller with other vigorous shade-loving plants. 'Pegasus' grows 12 to 16 inches tall and spreads 16 to 18 inches. (5" pot)

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Shadow King Series--Great indoors as foliage plants that will accent a window in any home. These plants will carry over to the outdoors with good performance for filtered light or shady areas. Available in 'Cool White', 'Rose Frost' and 'Watermelon'. (5" pot)

T Rex Series--Strong, thick leaves adorn vigorous plants that can be grown in cooler temperatures that would "slay" most rexes. Available in 'Painter's Palette' (red and green background washed with charcoal and black and liberally dotted with white at the edges), 'Ruby Slippers' (deep ruby red leaves are super glossy with a saucy, little black stripe on the mid rib), 'St. Nick' (red center surrounded by emerald green and white polka dots) and 'Stardust' (green, burgundy and violet foliage, stippled and spotted with cream colored dots). (5" pot)

**BEGONIA, TUBEROUS and SEMI-TUBEROUS:** Tend to do best in climates with cool, damp nights. Protection from wind and afternoon sun is essential. Soil must be moisture retentive. In the fall, when the leaves turn yellow and begin to drop, lift the bulbs, remove the stems and store in a cool, dry place until it is time to replant in March or if potted, simply allow the pot to dry up completely, remove the dying foliage and store cool and dry until early March. Move to a light spot and begin watering. They can last many years in the same pot!

Beauvilia Series (*B. boliviensis*)--Easy branching and free flowering begonia for patio and hanging baskets. Available in red. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Cocoa Series--Their dark, cocoa-brown foliage is upright and nearly always covered by luxurious flowers. These are great in containers as they are non-aggressive and make a central, vertical statement. Glamorous and elegant in mixed shade containers or on the border in garden beds. It is also a fabulous houseplant and even blooms during the winter. Available in 'Enchanted Sunrise' (salmon-orange). (5" pot)

Daystar Series--(*B. boliviensis*) An amazing combination of the new and old. These complicated hybrids combine the best species and hybrids we could blend into a new hybrid series. Bred as hanging baskets, these are rough and tumble types with very large, single flowers on large plants. Available in yellow. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

'Funky Series'--An interspecific from-seed variety crossing *boliviensis* and older tuberous begonia types. Fun name will grab attention. It is easy to grow, and great in mixed containers and hanging baskets. It has a nice compact semi-trailing habit, is very floriferous and multi-branching, and produces an ongoing display of attractive large double blooms. Grows to just 8" tall. Available in orange, pink and scarlet. (5" pot)

l'conia Series--An interspecific from-seed variety crossing *boliviensis* and older tuberous begonia types. Masses elegant, vibrant flowers that persist throughout the season. Featuring dark, clean foliage with robust branching, these begonias present a tight, compact habit. In cooler climates, thrives well in full sun when well-watered. Protect from hot afternoon sun. Available in 'Fire' (orange), 'First Kiss' (bright blush pink), 'Miss

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Malibu' (coral), 'Miss Montreal' (bicolor pink and yellow), 'Portofino Citrix' (yellow), 'Portofino Hot Coral', 'Portofino Orange', 'Portofino Yellow and White. (5" pot)

Million Kisses Series (*B. boliviensis*)--The most vigorous trailing begonia on the market, Million Kisses is easy to grow with great branching and many early, large flowers. The series flowers 10 to 14 days faster than the competition. Gorgeous in baskets and containers. Performs best in partial to full shade in areas with low humidity. Available in 'Amour' (bright orange-red). (5" pot and hanging baskets)

'Spectre Silver'--This unusual Begonia has broad, maple-shaped leaves of glowing mint green and silver-white. It is vigorous and well branched and forms an impressive 10" basket. The flowers are red-pink and are long lasting, pendant, and showy. Easy to grow. Grows to 16" tall. (5" pot)

'Spring Fling Buttercup'--Featuring dark leaves and extra large, bright yellow flowers Spring Fling brightens up any shade garden. Keeps its tidy habit all summer long. Spring Fling will flourish in containers and hanging baskets, but is not recommended for in ground planting. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

Summerwings Series--An elegant series of cascading begonias with a bushy habit, excellent branching and a multitude of medium-sized, graceful single flowers all summer long. Summerwings have an ideal pot habit, later developing full potential in large hanging baskets, mixed containers and window boxes. All varieties later reach lengths of four to five feet by the end of the summer. Best in partial shade, but will also perform well in full sun or full shade. Available in 'Dark Elegance' (red). (5" pot and/or hanging baskets).

Waterfall Series (*B. boliviensis*)--An extensive colorful series of strong trailing begonias, which flower profusely all through the summer with a true waterfall of large single or double flowers. Well-branched trailing plant for use in hanging baskets, which thrives in semi-shade as well as a sunny position in the garden or on the patio. Available in 'Angel Falls' (soft pink) and 'Encanto' orange, red and white. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**NOTE:** Due to lack of interest, we've opted to drop bulk begonia tubers from our summer bulb program.

**BIDENS FERULIFOLIA (Golden Goddess):** Daisy-like blooms, rather similar to a coreopsis, with deeply cut, lacy leaves. Blooms nonstop. Plants have a tendency to be very vigorous, but are tough as nails, thriving in the hot summer sun. Prefer to be kept moderately moist, but can wilt with little damage. Very popular in the 19th century and only recently making a big comeback. Attracts butterflies.

Beedance Series--A fantasy of flowers blooms continuously spring though fall. Vigorous growth and dense branching. Easy to grow and maintain. Impervious to heat. Perfect for all kinds of containers, including window boxes, hanging baskets and combination

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planters. Mound-spreading habit. Height: 9-11 inches. Spread: 3-4 feet. Available in 'Painted Red' (red with a yellow heart) and 'Red Stripe' (yellow striped red). (5" pot)

'Blazing Glory'--Blooms abundantly with large red and yellow single flowers and stays more compact than ever. Grows 10-12" tall with a spread of 14". (5" pot)

Campfire Series--With its delicate 1 inch blooms, Campfire™ is a long blooming annual gracing your garden with color from spring until the first frost. Very heat and drought tolerant, the mounding trailing habit of Campfire™ The perfect addition to landscape designs and in combination planters. Grows to 8-12" tall with an 18-24" spread. Available in 'Flame' (bright orange). (5" pot)

'Goldilocks Rocks'--Bright golden blooms are semi-double and flower all season. Slightly more compact than some of the more commonly available varieties making it an excellent choice for hanging baskets and mixed combinations. Grows to just 6-10" tall. (5" pot)

'Pretty in Pink'--A new bidens color in 2018, 'Pretty in Pink' is an upright, compact variety decorated with an abundance of pink flowers with purple stripes. Great for mixed baskets and containers or as a bedding plant. Grows to 12-14" tall and wide. (5" pot)

'White Delight'--One of the best white bidens, plants are free flowering with big white flowers. Plant habit is much more compact than standard white varieties on the market. This variety will make your summer heat basket a real show. Height is 10-14" and spread is up to 16". (5" pot)

**BLACK-EYED SUSAN (Annual):** See Rudbeckia

**BLACK-EYED SUSAN VINE:** See Thunbergia

**BOUGAINVILLEA GLABRA:** A tropical native of Brazil whose showy flowers are actually papery bracts. Bougainvillea seems to capture the essence of the Latin American tropics with its lush foliage and electric colors. It's very easy to grow. It loves summer heat and humidity. In Wisconsin it must be planted in a container and overwintered in a very sunny window. Bougainvilleas are quite vigorous and the branches are quite thorny. Must be in full sun. Colors usually include shades of pink, magenta, red, purple and/or gold, some with variegated leaves. (12" hanging baskets and in tubs with a trellis or as a standard)

Selection includes:

'Afterglow'--Admired for its abundant, colorful clusters of yellow-orange bracts surrounding small cream-colored flowers from summer to late autumn. 'Blueberry Ice'--The flowers are not purple, not pink, not blue, but a cool concoction of all three, like blueberry sherbet. The eye finds it irresistible. Freely flowering with the added dazzle of variegated leaves makes 'Blueberry Ice' an outstanding bougainvillea.

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'Delta Dawn'--This hybrid produces clusters of golden-yellow blooms among the variegated creamy white and green foliage. It originates from breeders in Thailand.

'La Jolla'--Dark green foliage and large red bracts.

Vera Series--Available in Variegata (variegated foliage with magenta bracts).

VF Series--Available in 'Fire Opal' (apricot bracts, green foliage), 'Ruby' (ruby red bracts, green foliage), 'Sunstone Red' (variegated foliage) and 'Sunstone White'.

**BRACTEANTHA:** See Strawflower.

**BROWALLIA SPECIOSA (Bush Violet):** Bushy, upright to somewhat sprawling branches tipped in 2" trumpets with broad, pointed, star-like lobes in shades purple, violet-blue or sometimes white. Used to replace impatiens with a similar growth habit but in a different color spectrum. They also make a great winter blooming plant indoors from tip cuttings or seed. Likes bright shade and evenly moist soil.

Bell Series--2" flowers of blue resembling small petunias from summer through frost. Excellent in hanging baskets, pots or beds. Prefers partial shade and does not like to dry out. Grows 10-12" tall. Space 12". Makes a nice indoor blooming plant. Available in blue. (3-pack)

Endless Series--A new series of vigorous plants that bloom nonstop. Plants start blooming early, forming dense mounds and then trail as the summer progresses. 10-14" tall. Available in 'Flirtation' (white) and 'Illumination' (a true dark blue). (5" pot)

**BRUGMANSIA or DATURA AUREA (Angel's Trumpet):** An amazing annual for large tubs. Huge, fragrant, trumpet-shaped flowers coat this bushy shrub all summer long. Related closely to eggplant, most visible in the leaves and plant structure. Grow in full sun and keep well watered. Store plant indoors over winter, either as a houseplant or dormant, barely moist and cool. Night-scented. Grows to 60" tall. Usually available in white, yellow and/or pink. (10" pot)

**CABBAGE (Ornamental):** See Flowering Cabbage

**CALADIUM BICOLOR:** Tuberous rooted plants grown as an annual in Wisconsin, meaning the bulbs must be dug and stored in the fall. They are grown for their beautiful foliage--long-stalked, broad arrow-shaped leaves variegated with white, pink or red. They prefer a rich, moist, shady location away from dry, hot winds. They are of tropical origin so prefer humidity and may become a bit scorched in appearance during the peak of summer. Available nearly year round in our blooming plant area. (Available in assorted 4" and 6" pots throughout the spring and in bulb form along with our summer bulbs)

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**CALENDULA OFFICINALIS (Pot Marigold):** Edible flower. Petals used to color foods to replace saffron. Easy to grow annual. Enjoys sunny, cool conditions. Prefers well-drained, moist soil. Tall varieties make great cut flowers. Self-sows easily. Leaves are also edible.

Bon Bon Mix--An early dwarf (8-12") variety. Bright, sunny colored blooms on bushy, compact plants. Mix contains bright yellow, orange, apricot and soft yellow. Plant 12" apart. (4-pack)

Lady Godiva Series--Cheerful blooms appear on these early spring bloomers and last into the summer. Plants are easy to maintain and don't require any deadheading. A new introduction from Proven Winners. Grows 10-16" tall and up to 18" wide. Available in orange and yellow. (5" pot)

Pacific Beauty Mix--Uniform, large, double flowers on long, straight stems. Excellent for cutting. Clear colors and resistant to summer heat. Grows to 24". (3-pack)

**CALIBRACHOA HYBRIDS (Million Bells):** Calibrachoa were separated from the petunia genus in 1990. Flowers resemble a miniature petunia, though the line is becoming increasingly blurred. Among the easiest annuals to grow, calibrachoa has become hugely popular. Featuring hundreds of 1" flowers, it is fast growing, heavy blooming and self-cleaning. Low growing and often trailing. Thrives in full sun. Perfect for baskets, window boxes or as a ground cover. As with all petunia-relatives, fertilizing is important. Apply acid fertilizer biweekly to avoid yellowing foliage and woody stems.

Minifamous Series--Double blooms on mounding 8" plants. One of the first double calibrachoa on the market. Available in blue. (5" pot)

Superbells Series--An amazingly heat tolerant variety and very disease resistant. Excellent garden performance. Far and away our most popular calibrachoa series. Grows 7-10" tall. Available in blue, 'Dreamsicle' (orange), 'Evening Star' (purple shades with a yellow center), 'Grape Punch' (blue with a dark eye), 'Holy Moly' (pink/yellow bicolor), 'Holy Smokes' (lavender, yellow and white star-patterned), pink, plum, 'Pomegranate Punch' (velvet red with an almost black center), red, 'Saffron' (bright yellow), 'Tropical Sunrise' (hot pink, light pink and yellow), white, yellow and 'Yellow Chiffon' (pastel yellow). (5" pot and 10" hanging baskets)

Superbells Double Series--An amazingly heat tolerant variety and very disease resistant. Excellent garden performance. Far and away our most popular double-flowered calibrachoa series. Grows 7-10" tall. Available in Amber, Blue, Chiffon (pastel yellow) and Ruby (ruby red). (5" pot and 10" hanging baskets)

Superbells Doublette Series--Grows 7-10" tall. Available in 'Love Swept' (deep pink, rimmed in white). (5" pot and 10" hanging baskets)

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**CALLA LILY, *Zantedeschia hybrids*:** Tender rhizomes native to swamps and lake margins of southern and eastern Africa. Grown for their unusual white or brightly colored spathes, borne in summer. Leaves are lance shaped and bright green, many varieties with silver mottling. Best started in pots indoors during early April before moving outdoors in late May. Plant in a part-sun/part-shade location. Plant in humus-rich, moist soil. Rhizomes must be dug again in the fall. Makes an excellent container plant.

Varieties in our bulb area include: 'Amethyst' (purple), 'Black Forest' (deep purple almost black), 'Elliottiana' (yellow), 'Mango' (reddish-orange) and 'Pink Diamond' (deep rosy pink). For *Zantedeschia aethiopica* (large white flowers) in 5" pots with our water plants (This type n.a. 2020). In addition, we are usually able to get potted varieties on a weekly basis and are available for special order in 4" and/or 6" pots.

**CANDY CORN VINE:** See *Manettia*

**CANNA HYBRIDS & SPECIES (Indian Shot):** Easy-to-grow, old-fashioned plant that has been making a comeback to Wisconsin gardens in the past few years. Its lush tropical foliage is alone a conversation piece, but it has the added distinction of being topped by huge, orchid-like blossoms. Cannas have a very long bloom period--usually from mid-June till frost and are extremely heat tolerant. They are fantastic utilized in mass plantings or the back of the border and are much underused as the focal point in container plantings. The red varieties are especially attractive to hummingbirds. The rhizomes need to be raised and stored indoors in fall, much like gladiolas and dahlias. A few varieties are started in pots in a warm greenhouse in early April to ensure the longest bloom time possible during our short growing season. By buying well-established plants, the customer is guaranteed 3-4 weeks of added bloom time over planting the bare roots. Many varieties make for fantastic water and pond plants.

### **2020 varieties available as bare root rhizomes in the bulb area include:**

'Angel Martin'--A unique Canna variety which produces peach colored flowers atop contrasting bronze striped foliage. Grows to 36" tall.

'Cleopatra'--Green foliage with bronze stripes and yellow flowers with red speckles. 4 ft.

'President, The'--Scarlet-red flowers over green foliage. 3-4' tall. The most popular red canna variety for generations!

'Pretoria'/'Bengal Tiger'--Originally from India. Zebra-striped foliage of creamy yellow and green. Melon-orange blooms. 4-6 feet tall. Spectacular!

'Stuttgart'--This canna features bold leaves that are striped with green and white. Orange flowers will appear in mid summer, but the best feature of this canna is definitely the variegated leaves. Best when grown in a partially shaded location, as full sun will

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most likely warrant sun burn on the leaves. Thrives in a moist location with protection from the afternoon sun. Grows to about 6'.

'Tropicana' (aka 'Phaison')--These old fashioned garden favorites are making a comeback as public taste for tropical landscapes grows. 'Tropicanna' has exotic purple foliage variegated with green, yellow, pink and red. Hot orange blooms crown tall flower stems. 4-6' tall.

'Wyoming'--Brilliant orange flowers with bronze foliage. A true attention-getter. 4-5' tall.

**CARDINAL FLOWER/CLIMBER, *Ipomoea x multifida*:** Attention-getting twining vine with bright, trumpet-shaped scarlet flowers measuring 1" across. Grows vigorously up to 6 ft., with minimal care. Blooms from early summer until frost. Showy palm-shaped foliage is perfect to train around decks, railings, up mailboxes or trellises. (4" coir pot)

**CARDOON, *Cynara cardunculus*:** A bold, edible foliage plant with spectacular, silvery, deep-cut foliage that really wakes up both beds and large containers. Leaves are large and thistle-like. Plants produce fuzzy, artichoke-like flowers, but only during the second season and in warmer climates. A favorite at Olbrich Gardens. Plant in full sun in rich, fertile, well-drained soil. Foliage can be harvested for kitchen use at any time, but the younger leaves are the most tender. Can be eaten fresh like celery, or cooked. Most varieties grow to 3-5' tall and 3-4' wide.

Tenderheart--120 days. An Italian heirloom favorite. The blanched ribs are an antipasto favorite and the flowers are great for dried arrangements. The foliage is a very attractive grey-green with serrations. This is a spined variety. Large ribs must be blanched by wrapping in heavy paper or loose straw as it is growing in the garden. Vegetable dates back to Roman times. (5" pot)

**CASTOR BEAN, *Ricinus communis*:** Create an exotic, tropical (but annual) hedge in your garden. A fast -growing plant with eye-catching foliage and seed pods. Use at the back of the border or massed in a bed. Seed pods make a great cutflower. Grow in rich, moist, well-drained soil in full sun. Space plants 4' apart. Seeds are very poisonous.

Carmencita Series--Dark foliage. 60" tall. Available in pink. (4" coir pot)

'Crimson Spire'--Red stems with bronze leaves and crimson seed pods. Can reach 8-10' in height in the right conditions. (4" coir pot)

'Red Giant'--Large, dusky-red leaves have bright-red veining and stems. Dark seed pods are very exotic looking, being covered in deep red spikes. (4" coir pot)

**CATHEDRAL BELLS:** See *Cobaea*.

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**CELOSIA, COMB-TYPE, *Celosia argentea cristata*:** A mutation of the plumosa types described below forming crested flowers like a rooster's comb. Excellent in fresh or dried arrangements. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Amigo Mix--6" tall. An extra dwarf mixture of large combs from purple, red, white, pink to light yellow. Grow in full sun. Nice in containers. (4-pack)

Armor Series--Vigorous plants with large, showy blooms. Doesn't have the side branching ability of other celosia, but it makes 1 giant, crested flower. Excellent for large outdoor plantings and in mixed containers. Grows 12-16" tall. Available in a mix of orange, purple, red, and yellow. (4-pack)

Chief Series--A series of celosia bred especially for cut flower purposes. Uniform growth with a wide range of flower colors. Tall plants with huge 6" cauliflower shaped combs. Mix comes in colors of dark red, carmine, rose, gold and red and yellow bicolor. Perfect for hot, sunny locations. Height: 36-40". (4-pack)

Cramer's Crested Series--Incredible cockscomb variety for drying with outstanding, vibrant colors. Wide heads with a full comb. Also makes a great fresh cut flower. Grow at close spacing for one flower per stem or pinch at 6 inches for multiple stems per plant. 24-30" tall. Available in burgundy. (4-pack)

Cramer's Hi Z--A floral novelty with versatility. Unique Celosia with 6-8 in. long, spikelike, brilliant magenta blooms on top of long, strong stems. Each plant produces 8-10 stems perfect for cutting. Makes a great landscaping item. Up to 48" tall. (3-pack)

'Prestige Scarlet'--A 1997 AAS Winner. An exceptional heat-tolerant landscape performer. The 15-20" plants produce 3 1/2" combs and continue to branch after the central flower emerges. Will reach a spread of 18-20". (4-pack)

**CELOSIA, PLUME, *Celosia argentea plumosa*:** A plant of tropical origin, the shiny, deep maroon or bright green leaves are topped by tiny flowers clustered into plummy feather dusters, generally in shades of red, yellow, orange or shocking pink. Remove any existing blooms when planting out for best success. Excellent in fresh or dried arrangements. Grow in full sun. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

'Arrabona'--A fiery beauty with striking red-orange plumes. Tolerant to drought and loves the heat. Color combines well with blues, reds, whites and yellows for borders or containers. New in 2014. Just 10-14" tall. (4-pack)

Century Series--Large, beautiful plumes with great basal branching. Outstanding garden performance. An AAS Winner from 1985. Usually available in red, yellow and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

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Fresh Look Series--At 20-24" tall, these basal-branched plants are topped by plumes up to 10" tall. Vigorous, with outstanding garden performance. New leaves cover old plumes so plants always look good. Available in gold (a 2007 AAS Winner) and orange. (4-pack and/or large 6-pack)

Glorious Mix--A dwarf plumed celosia, Glorious Mix features the same excellent uniformity of habit and flower spike across the series as the Fresh Look series, but on a smaller scale! Bushy plumes are produced on an excellent branching plant habit. Mixture of orange, pink, red and yellow. Grows to 12" tall. (4-pack when available from outside vendors)

Kimono Series--Very early, extra dwarf mixture with uniform growth habit and plume height. Just 5-6" tall. Colors to be determined based on availability. (4-pack)

'New Look'--A 1988 AAS Winner. Glowing deep red plumes atop bronze foliage. Grows to 15". Stunning in the landscape. Great basal branching. (4-pack and/or large 6-pack)

**CELOSIA, WHEAT, *Celosia argentea spicata*:** Taller, more open and less flamboyant than the plumosa types. Well-suited for the wildflower garden. Excellent in fresh or dried arrangements. Grow in full sun.

'Asian Garden'--Two charming colors on one flower—light-pink at the bottom styling to fiery fuchsia-pink at the top! All-America Selections winner, this gorgeous annual with its spikey, delicate flowers is a big attraction for butterflies and hummingbirds all summer long. With purple-hued leaves in cooler weather, it's lovely in garden beds, vases and dried arrangements. Grows to 30-40". (4-pack)

Celway Series--A novel cut flower series. Notable for this series, flowers produce a central spike surrounded by smaller spikes, making it look almost plume-like. Tall, narrow plants are great for tight space areas. Plants grow up to 4' tall, but can be planted just 6-8" apart. Available in a mix. (4-pack)

'Flamingo Feather'--Light pink, wheat-like plumes which fade to white under high heat. Harvest early to retain color. Tassel-like plumes are 2-3" long atop 18-26" stems. (4-pack)

'Flamingo Purple'--Very upright habit. Bushier, twice as large and later to bloom than Flamingo Feather. 3-4' tall. (4-pack)

Intenz Classic--Easy to grow. Produces bold purple flower spikes and continues to bloom throughout the summer and fall. Perfect plant for a container and the garden. People love the purple fluffy blooms. Just 18" tall and well-branched. (5" pot)

Kosmo Series--Fleuroselect Quality Award Winner. Genetically dwarf strain. Upright main stem gives rise to multiple flowering side branches. Flower heads contrast nicely with dark green foliage. Excellent performer in the landscape or in containers. Does

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best in full sun to light shade and average soil with good drainage. Just 8" tall. Available in purple-red, salmon and yellow. (4-pack)

**CENTAUREA CYANUS (Bachelor's Button, Cornflower):** Very easy to grow. Great for children. Early summer blooms for beds and as a cut flower. Prefers a sunny location and well-drained soil. Space 12-15". Do not allow to become soggy.

Boy Series--Vibrant steel blue in color. An excellent cut flower. Best grown in cool conditions. 30-36" tall, but tends to lay along the ground. Available in the classic blue. (4-pack)

'Polka Dot Mix'--A popular mix of all cornflower colors. The standard dwarf mix for bedding purposes. A lovely mix of blue, rose, white, lavender and pink with many bicolors. Extra-early bloomer. Grows 16-20". (4-pack)

**CHENILLE PLANT:** See Acalypha

**CHRYSOCEPHALUM APICULATUM:** Leaves and stems of this relatively new plant are a fuzzy gray, similar to dusty miller, licorice plant or gray santolina. Flowers appear in small sprays of tiny spheres. The plant is exceptionally tough and drought tolerant, preferring full sun. Grows 12-14" tall with a sprawling habit. Nice in both baskets and mixed containers.

Flambé Series--Pretty much the only series available on the market. Very free flowering. Available in yellow. (5" pot)

**CIGAR PLANT:** See Cuphea

**CITRONELLA/CITROSA:** See Mosquito Plant

**CITRUS (Lemons, Limes, Oranges, etc.):** An often overlooked group of plants for the summer container and then as a houseplant the rest of the year. All members of this large family not only have very fragrant white flowers, but equally fragrant foliage when the leaves are crushed. All will produce an abundance of fruit given patience, full sun and plenty of water. Most citrus will flower during the late summer and fall and then produce fruit the following winter and spring. All are very long lived, easy-to-grow and can be pruned to shape, making sure not to remove all flower buds and/or fruit. Readily available examples include: Blood Orange, Calamondin Orange, Clementine Orange, Meyer Lemons and Limes, Key Limes, Kaffir Limes, Mexican Limes and Kumquats. Offerings change both seasonally and yearly based on availability from Florida. Grocery store oranges and lemons can also be easily started from seed. (8" and/or 10" pots)

**CLEOME HASSLERIANA (Spider Flower):** A relative of capers, cleome forms an open, annual shrub. This species produces upright, branching, sticky, thorny stems with palmate leaves. Flowers form in open clusters all season long. Self-sows readily, but never invasive.

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Queen Series--A tall border plant that revels in heat. A striking background to other annual bedding plants. Upright 3-5' plants have a open, airy appearance, strong scent and unique, dangling seed pods. Blooms all summer and withstands hot, dry conditions. Prefers full sun and thorough watering. Space 1-3' apart. Available in rose, violet and white ('Helen Campbell'). (3-pack)

Senorita Series--A Proven Winner cleome that appeared on the market in 2007. Plants are about 36" tall and have deep green foliage and dark stems. Outstanding in hot, dry locations. Available as 'Blanca' (white) and 'Rosalita' (blushing pink). (5" pot)

Sparkler Series--The first dwarf, bushy cleome, reaching only 3 feet tall and wide. Extremely free-flowering, it is ideal for smaller gardens or as an annual hedge. Available in lavender, rose and white. (3-pack)

**COLEUS, Solenostemon Hybrids--SEED VARIETIES:** Very easy and very versatile, coleus grows just about everywhere, even as a houseplant. For best results, give it moisture and filtered shade. The sunnier the location, the more muted the color patterns. Keep the flower stalks pinched to maintain bushier plants and save the plant's energy. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

'Black Dragon' (Molten Lava)--Large, red leaves with curled and serrated, blackish purple edges cover 15-18" plants. (4-pack)

'Festive Dance'--Attractive serrated pointy leaves remain dark red in color with distinctive cherry red veins and tinges of light green throughout the year. Grows to 16" tall. (4-pack)

Giant Exhibition Series--Very large leaves put on a dramatic show in shady areas. Garden height is 12-15". Available in a mix. (4-pack)

Kong Series--It's big, bold and bright! Kong boasts huge, colorful leaves. A terrific accent plant for large containers, the well-branched, mounded, 18-22" tall plants are also great in mass plantings. Performs best and shows most intense color in full shade. Also makes an excellent houseplant in bright light. Available in 'Mosaic' (bright green with shades of red and cream), red (red center, strong veining, bright green edge), rose (rose-red centers and green margins) and salmon-pink (salmon-pink and chocolate brown with a green edge). (5" pot)

Main Street Series--The Main Street series boasts bright colored coleus that work in sun and shade. Compact and well-branched, they are great for containers and as border and bedding plants. They have been selected to be weather tolerant and late to flower, and are uniform in vigor and size, so mix and match for your garden display. Available in 'Sienna' mixed. (4-pack)

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Wizard--Very colorful and uniform in height (10-12"). Large, heart-shaped leaves with very distinct markings. Excellent basal branching. The most popular bedding coleus series on the market. Colors and selection may change throughout the season based on availability from our outside vendors. (4-pack)

**COLEUS, Solenostemon Hybrids--VEGETATIVE VARIETIES:** Exciting, newer coleus varieties that are not only more vigorous, but often times more sun-tolerant than older bedding varieties. In fact, many were often called 'Sun-loving Coleus' when they arrived on the market decades back. Most varieties tend not to flower or flower very late, requiring less pinching and maintenance. Many varieties are robust and can grow to 3' tall. All are excellent both in the border and in containers. Fertilize regularly. Some varieties are more for shade, others for sun, so check the labels for the best growing conditions. Available in 5" pots.

'Allspice'--This vigorous spreader has narrow khaki leaves with dark maroon centers. It is perfect for hanging baskets, ground covers, and large mixed containers. Self-branching. 16" tall and up to 30" wide.

'Burgundy Wedding Train'--A full-sun-tolerant coleus. This vegetative coleus has a trailing habit with burgundy leaves edged in lime, forming full mounds that trail over containers or in the garden. A smaller leaved coleus that grows well with other plants to 24-36 inches wide.

'Coleosaurus'--Has beautiful golden yellow leaves with dark maroon veins on full, upright plants. 26-30" tall. For sun or shade.

'Dark Heart'--Upright, mounding habit. Dark purple-black leaves with hints of pink, edged in green and yellow. 6-12".

'Dipt in Wine'--Large leaves of burgundy red with lighter veins running the whole length. Bright gold at the base of each leaf. Strong grower. 24-30".

'El Brighto'--Features hot red lobed leaves with golden edges and dark veins. Upright and up to 3 feet tall.

'Electric Lime'--Bright lemon-lime leaves with lovely yellow veining and patterns. 14-20".

'Electric Slide'--Velveteen-textured leaves are a flourish of brilliant canary yellow edged in jade-tinted ruffles and highlighted with flaming ruby. Most astounding is that one plant explodes to nearly 2 feet tall and a full yard wide.

'Fiona'--A low-spreading beauty with long red leaves with jagged margins. Great self-branching habit. Slow to bloom. Use in hanging basket or groundcover. Just 9" tall and up to 30" wide.

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'Fishnet Stockings'--Wide, bright green leaves with contrasting deep burgundy veins and margins. 24-36".

Flame Thrower Series--Bold new colors in a compact habit make this striking coleus ideal for small pots and mixed containers. Great garden performance in sun or shade. Grows 18-24 inches. Available in 'Chipotle' (narrow, pointed leaves that are dark red in the center with lime green outer margins).

Flying Carpet Series--These spreading beauties represent a kaleidoscope of colors. Dense, self-branching habit eliminates the need for pinching. These colorful cuties are perfect in hanging baskets, mixed containers or used in garden-bedding. We're carrying 'Shocker' (bright, lime-gold background shows off a red center that grows in size as the leaf ages.).

'Glennis'--Splashes of yellow, green, red, pink and orange all on one spectacular 24" coleus.

'Golden Dreams'--Luscious golden leaves with crimson venation make a striking contrast and a huge impact. 24-36" tall.

Great Falls Series--Planter perfection is yours with this easy-to-grow eye-catching trailing coleus. Named after the great waterfalls of the world, these coleus with their bold, non-fading foliage colors and dense small leaves are very heat tolerant. They prefer morning sun with shaded afternoons but are tolerant of a sunnier & shadier conditions. The well behaved growing plants add architectural interest and mix phenomenally in planters & baskets with other flowers or foliage or are attractive enough to grow all by themselves. We're carrying 'Angel' (pink, green and purple with a touch of yellow) and 'Niagra' (duck-foot type leaves are dark burgundy with lime trim).

'Heartbreaker'--This new coleus is a great season extender. Its beautiful pink foliage pattern doesn't fade in the full sun. 'Heartbreaker' reaches 14 to 26 inches tall and spreads 14 to 16 inches.

'Henna'--Very uniform with serrated foliage in a unique chartreuse to copper color complemented by dark burgundy undersides. An amazing new addition that tops out at 22-28".

'Indian Summer'--Multi-colored leaves are earthtone red, green and brown. The colors deepen the higher the light. 18-24".

'Inferno'--Saturated orange coloration and textured leaves give it a WOW factor. 14-28" tall and for sun or shade.

'Kingswood Torch'--Flaming magenta foliage, overlaid with orange and burgundy. Strong grower. 36-42".

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'Lime Time'--Add the zest of lime to container pots and border plantings. This neon-bright foliage plant has an upright habit, and combines brilliantly with blues, lavenders, and whites. Tolerates full sun. A Proven Winners® variety. Grows to 20" tall.

'Merlin's Magic'--Deeply lobed leaves and moderate vigor. Foliage is a blend of green, dark purple-black and creamy yellow that becomes almost completely dark purple-black when grown under high light levels. 18-24".

'Mt. Washington'--Breathtaking, huge stately foliage with burgundy, yellow and green highlights. For sun or shade. Can grow up to 3' tall and 18" wide.

'Peridot'--This gem forms a small mound of light lime green. The leaves have both cut and ruffled edges. Self-branching and slow to flower for a clean look. Compact and neat with layer branching and foliage for a new look for coleus! About 12" tall and wide.

'Pineapple'--Contrasting lime-green, yellow and red foliage all summer. Up to 18" tall and wide. For sun or shade.

'Pink Chaos'--Narrow bright pink to magenta leaves with splashes of bright green. Shocking coloration! 18-24".

'Pink Poodle'--Self-branching with a low, dense habit. It has hot pink leaves that are edged in green and black. Very showy. Use in containers, hanging baskets, or borders. 12" tall and up to 24" wide. For shade.

'Pinkplosion'--Green, serrated leaves feature a blaze of pink and yellow from the leaf base out. Grows 14-28" tall. Upright habit for sun or shade.

'Redhead'--Bright red leaves on well-branched plants. Fantastic in full sun--the very best of the red coleus!! 18-24".

'Rediculous'--Pink and dark purple foliage with a green edge.

'Sedona Sunset'--Russet color, splashed with deeper orange, does best in a bit of shade. Tidy habit. 24-30".

'Sky Fire'--Looks like hot embers with its rich burgundy, to hot red, to lime colored foliage with its heavily serrated edges. Standing 12-18 inches tall, Sky Fire makes a great thriller in combination planters or is stunning planted in mass in the border.

'Solar Flare'--Maroon, green-yellow edge, deep serrations. From the Solar series of coleus, one of the very first sun-loving coleus series from the mid-1990's.

'Splish Splash'--This variety has a bold coloration that features burgundy red leaves, edged in green and splashed in gold. Height is 18-24".

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'Trusty Rusty'--Each deeply scalloped leaf appears to be edged with delicate, golden yellow beadwork that surrounds a center of bright copper. Grows to 18-36" tall.

'Twist & Twirl'--A wide array of vibrant foliage colors on twisted foliage. Colors intensify with more sun. 24-30".

Under the Sea Series--A simply amazing new series of coleus from Canada, with each leaf bearing secondary sub-leaves in wild shapes and colors. Talk about a breakthrough -- it's a whole new day for everyone's favorite shade foliage plant! Not only are the Under the Sea varieties completely distinctive in looks, they're compact and sun-tolerant, with good leaf substance. This is especially important if you are planting them in a partly sunny area. Under the Sea won't burn or scorch! And they flower only very lightly, so you have less snipping to do at the height of the season!

### **Under the Sea selections include:**

-'Barracuda'--Rounded habit with extremely colorful leaves in yellows, pinks and deep purples.

-'Black Coral'--Deep blackish purple frilled leaves with an excellent habit.

-'Electric Eel'--Deeply lobed, bright pink and green foliage.

-'Fishnet Gold'--Beautifully-shaped golden leaves have striking red veining.

-'King Crab'--Huge red leaves with tiny subsets of leaves that resemble "pinchers".

-'Seaweed'--Frilled leaves with narrow lobes in vibrant red and bright green.

-'Red Snapper'--Large deep purple leaves edged in bright pink.

-'Yellowfin Tuna'--The brightest coleus of the series with sunny, lime green foliage.

Upright, mounding thriller for mixed containers or the landscape.

'Vino'--Eye-catching plant has deep wine-colored leaves that grow darker in the sun. Upright, medium habit. Grows to 18-30" tall.

'Wasabi'--Serrated chartreuse leaves hold their brilliant color without fading or spotting. Looks great with Redhead. 18-30" tall.

'Wicked Hot'--Rusty orange leaves with slight tinges of magenta and yellow. Toothed edges and magenta veins. Upright, vigorous, and shrub-like.

**COLOCASIA ESCULENTA (Elephant's Ears, Taro):** One of the most imposing of garden plants, not grown for its flowers, but rather for its enormous green or burgundy leaves which rise on 3-7' stems. The plants are dramatic, sculptural, fast-growing and give a tropical flair to the landscape or containers. The roots are edible and are a major food source throughout the tropics, replacing the potato as a starch source. For earlier garden enjoyment, start the large tubers in pots in late winter. They prefer full sun and moist conditions in a protected area. Strong winds will tatter the monstrous leaves. After the first killing frost, dig and cure the tubers for a week or two. Store the tubers dry and warm for best results. Dark-leaved varieties tend to over winter best if allowed to continue growing through the winter months--simply cut back the foliage after frost, pot

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the tuber and keep moist in a light, but not overly bright spot. All colocasias are priced as marked.

Giant Green Elephant Ear (*C. esculenta* species) tubers are available in the bulb area and started plants are sometimes available in 6" or 8" pots and priced as marked. Quantities are limited so check on availability. Other varieties include:

'Diamond Head'--A combination of large dark purple to black leaves with a spectacular glossy finish, a small circular-shaped dark burgundy colored 'piko' and semi-glossy dark burgundy petioles (stems). Available in our bulb area.

'Hawaiian Punch'-A 2012 release from the Royal Hawaiian Elephant Ear series from Hawaii's John Cho. Makes a very compact clump to only 3' tall with glossy green leaves and bright red stems. If you're looking for an elephant ear that stays a bit smaller than most while adding great stem color, Colocasia 'Hawaiian Punch' is your plant! Does well as a pond plant. Available in our bulb area.

'Maui Gold'--The first clumping gold leaf colocasia to hit the market, forming a tight clump of stems that arch to 4', each ending in a large chartreuse golden leaf, highlighted by a small purple dot where the petiole connects. Colocasia 'Maui Gold' serves as a nice foil to black elephant ears such as Colocasia 'Black Coral'. 48" tall. (6" pot)

'White Lava'--Fresh tropical green foliage with flamboyant white markings and veins held on dark petioles (stems). Tidy, clump forming habit with short runners developing close to the mother plant. Height: 48". Available in our bulb area.

**COPPERLEAF PLANT:** See *Acalypha*

**CORDYLIN HYBRIDS:** A very close relative to the spike, this is a relatively new entry for the northern container garden. Also an easy-to-care-for houseplant, cordyline adds height and a tropical feel to mixed plantings, making it a superior accent plant. Most thrive in full sun. Can eventually grow quite large, from 4-12' depending on variety and most form a woody trunk as they grow.

'Black Knight' (*C. australis*)--Attractive ruby-colored alternative to *Dracaena* in combinations. More upright than Red Sensation with darker foliage. (5" pot)

'Florica' (*C. terminalis*) Ti Plant--New leaves are bright red with maroon variegation. Older leaves are less red and more maroon to dark green with red veins. (10" pot)

'Hot Pepper'--(*C. fruticosa*)--This ti plant is a lovely combination of pink and near black foliage. (10" pot)

'Maria' (*C. terminalis*) Ti Plant--Has rich purple leaves boldly variegated in hot pink. (10" pot)

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'Pink Passion' (*C. australis*)--Intense deep pink variegation on an upright habit. Will form a trunk in time, but is slow to grow. (5" pot)

'Red Sensation' (*C. australis*)--Long, dark purple sword-like leaves are the hallmark of this vigorous grower. Thrives on heat and humidity. Can grow to 4-6' in a single season. Adds height to mixed containers. (5" pot)

'Red Sister' (*C. terminalis*) Ti Plant--A classic variety, Red Sister ti plant has dark purple-green leaves variegated with streaks of hot pink. (10" pot)

'Red Star' (*C. australis*)--Similar to 'Red Sensation' except more cold tolerant. Leaves are ruby-red to burgundy. (5" pot)

'Torbay Dazzler' (*C. australis*)--A stunning cordyline of green, white and creamy yellow, flushed with soft pink and apricot. Will form a trunk as it ages. Has very upright and spiky foliage. (5" pot)

**COSMOS BIPINNATUS:** This airy stemmed, graceful plant is easy to grow in beds, backgrounds or cut flowers. Requires full sun, good soil and wind protection. Tall varieties may require staking. Do not fertilize. Deadhead regularly to prolong blooming. A classic for the cottage garden.

Sensation Mix--36-48" tall. Elegant, daisy-like blooms in pink, rose, crimson and white. Attractive fern-like foliage. An easy-to-grow favorite for the cottage garden. (4-pack and/or large 6-pack)

Sonata Series--A Fleuroselect Medal Winner. Golden-eyed blooms flower freely on compact 20-24" plants. Excellent for the smaller urban garden. Available in carmine, purple, white and a mix of crimson, white, pink and rose. (4-pack and/or large 6-pack by color)

**COSMOS SULPHUREUS:** These are the short, bedding cosmos in shades of yellow, orange and red. Unlike their tall cousins, these types are used at the front and middle areas of beds and are often times used as a substitute for those who don't like marigolds. As with all cosmos, full sun is required.

Cosmic Series--12" stocky, well-branched habit. Excellent garden performance. Usually available in orange and yellow and a mix from outside vendors. Orange was a 2000 AAS Winner. (4-pack)

**CREEPING CHARLIE:** See *Glechoma*.

**CREEPING JENNY:** See *Lysimachia*.

**CROCOSMIA x CROCOSMIIFLORA:** Treated as an annual in Wisconsin. Robust, cormous plant bearing pleated, mid-green, iris-like leaves. Upward facing, yellow,

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orange or red flowers, to 2" long, are borne in bold, slightly arching, sparsely branched spikes in mid-summer. Grows 3-4' tall. Wonderful in beds or in containers. Zone 6 hardy. Available in the bulb area and in 4 1/2" pots with our perennials.

'Lucifer'--The most popular red variety bears tons of funnel-shaped blooms on long and branched wiry stems. Can be reliably hardy in Madison in a well-drained site with some winter protection. Once established, crocosmia is very long-lived.

'Prince of Orange'--Sword-like foliage topped with arching stems of 20 or more vivid red-orange blossoms with a distinctive, burgundy speckled, gold center. The flowers are spaced very close together on the stems, resulting in a more concentrated blast of color from midsummer through late summer. The decorative seed pods that develop in fall are popular in dried flower arrangements.

**CUPHEA HYSSOPIFOLIA (Mexican Heather):** Mexican false heather is a small tropical evergreen sub-shrub with many charming attributes including compact form and fine textured foliage. Growing to a maximum height of about 24", false heather grows to form flat topped mounds 18-36" in diameter. The plant's flat feathery sprays of foliage are 12-18" long and are highly branched. The small oblong leaves resemble those of Scotch heather. Foliage color is prettiest when grown in broken shade. False heather can take full sun but the plant loses its rich green color.

FloriGlory Series--Bred to have five times the flower power with excellent garden vigor compared to the industry standards of other cupheas. If you want season-long color for your borders, hanging baskets and containers, then look no further! Plants from this series grow 10-12" tall and stand up well to drought, heat and wind. For full sun. We're carrying 'Diana' (dark magenta blooms), 'Maria' (white) and 'Selena' (magenta). (5" pot)

**CUPHEA, INTERSPECIFIC HYBRID (Cigar Plant Types):** This native of Central America is an old-fashioned garden annual that has been making a strong comeback in recent years as breeders have toyed with all cuphea species. Easy to winter over indoors. Prefers full sun. Most varieties grow to about 12". Perhaps one of our best annuals to attract hummingbirds!

'Honeybells'--Floriferous with a semi-trailing habit, and boasts eye-popping bicolor rose and light yellow tubular shaped flowers. It performs well in part shade to full sun. (5" pot)

'Vermillionaire'--This hybrid was developed specifically for heat and drought tolerance and needs no deadheading, yet provides spectacular red/orange flowers throughout the season. Full flower coverage and mounded shape, which works both in the garden and in containers. (5" pot)

**CUPHEA PURPUREA, syn. Cuphea llavea var. miniata (Bat-face Cuphea):** A compact, shrubby species that has been bred to accentuate the purple parts against a usually scarlet red background. The overall appearance is that of a mouse or bat face. Kids love it! Of garden origin.

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'Batface'--Bright red and purple flowers create a spectacular display against solid green foliage. Great in baskets and containers or mass planted in beds. Plant in full sun 10-12" apart. Water regularly to keep the soil moist. Grows 12-14" tall. (5" pot)

**CUPHEA RAMOSISSIMA** : A garden newcomer from the large family of cupheas. This well-branched species is loaded small, bicolored flowers all summer long. Flowers are very attractive to bees and butterflies. Thrives in full sun. Native to Brazil.

Fairy Dust Series--Add a little magic to mixed combos with this dainty cuphea. An airy cloud of delicate, flowers fill the voids in mixed containers and garden plantings. Heat and drought tolerant. 10-16" tall. Available in pink. (5" pot)

**CUPHEA ROSEA (Mexican Heather)**: Very similar to and often confused with *C. hyssopifolia*. Small, well-branched annuals that bloom nonstop. Often times sold as a blooming plant in flower shops or supermarkets. Outdoors they love full sun. Flowers are usually light lilac or lavender. Native to Central America.

'Lavender Lace'--A heat-loving, durable plant. In fact, from late spring to October, this plant will produce at least 1000 delicate, purple flowers among its shiny foliage. Use in hanging baskets, beds, borders and window boxes. Keep moist, never allowing to wilt. No need to prune. Plant in full sun. Grows 10-12" tall. (5" pot)

**DAHLBERG DAISY, *Dyssodia tenuiloba***: A great little and underutilized annual that can grow in the toughest of conditions, thriving in hot, dry locations. Plants are native to dry slopes of the western U.S. and Central America. The foliage is very fine with a fresh, pungent scent. Flowers are small, yellow daisies. Use in beds, container edges and baskets. Readily self sows. For full sun.

'Golden Fleece'--8" tall. Masses of 1" yellow daisies with a crested yellow center on cascading, bright green and very fragrant, fern-like foliage. Likes sunny, dry locations. Flowers mid-summer to fall. Use in rock gardens, as edging or in hanging baskets. (4-pack)

**DAHLIA, BEDDING HYBRIDS**: Prefers well-drained, fertile, moist soil in full sun or light shade. Space 6-18". Not very heat tolerant and, in fact, will generally stop blooming during the peak of summer heat. Keep well watered and fertilize regularly. Try to keep the roots cool with a good mulch. After frost has killed the tops, cut down, dig tubers and store in a cool, dry spot if desired. Bedding dahlias are generally under 16" tall and are used in mass plantings or containers. Tall dahlia choices (dinnerplate, decorative, cactus-type, etc.) are sold as tubers in the bulb area. Dahlias are native to the mountainous areas of Central America. Individually potted short dahlia varieties are available based on our wholesalers' supplies. For quality reasons, nearly all of our 5" dahlietta-type dahlias are brought in as finished product. **Selection will vary throughout the season based on outside vendor availability.**

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Bishop's Children--A fiery mix of such striking color. Mid-height, and blends extremely well into borders. However, be warned that a color eruption may occur! Spectacular in bedding and containers, and as a cut flower. Height: 24-30 inches. Pack size to be determined.

Figaro--14" tall. Standard semi-double mixture for bedding plant sales. Large 2 1/2" blooms on bushy, uniform plants with dark green leaves. Available in red, yellow and a mix. (4-pack)

Harlequin Mix--A very early and dwarf mixture with semi-double, bicolor, collarette-type flowers in contrasting combinations of rose, violet, yellow, orange, scarlet and white. Grows to 14-16". (4-pack)

MegaBoom Series--The all new MegaBoom series is designed for maximum impact in a small amount of space. The oversized blooms are held just above the foliage canopy, making them ideal for mixed containers or as a mid-border plant in the garden. Available in 'Berry Blast' (6" pot)

**\*\*\*NOTE: 2020 packaged varieties located in our bulb area include:**

Aloha--Yellow/scarlet bicolor, cactus-type

Arabian Night--Deep red, decorative

Babylon--Red, dinnerplate

Bishop of Llandaff--Scarlet with nearly black foliage

Bodacious--Scarlet red splashed with yellow, dinnerplate

Catching Fire--Combination of brilliant red and bright white, decorative

Dazzling Sun--Golden yellow, decorative

Explosion--Vibrant yellow with orange streaks, dinnerplate

Fleurel--Pure white, dinnerplate

Garden Wonder--Deep red, decorative

Kelvin Floodlight--Yellow, dinnerplate

Lady Darlene--Sunny yellow, outlined and tipped with red, dinnerplate

Lilac Time--Lilac-purple, dinnerplate

Lucky Number--Classic pink, dinnerplate

Mignon Sunshine--Single coppery orange with a red center, bronze-leaf

Mystery Day--Purplish-red blooms, dipped in white, dinnerplate

Pacific Ocean--Soft yellow in the center with pink petals, decorative

Pacific Time--Red with a white center, decorative

Peaches & Cream--Peach with light cream tips, dinnerplate

Prins Carnaval--Lavender with purple highlights, cactus-type

Pulp Fiction--Bright red, single flowers above dark foliage

Purple Gem--Bright purple, cactus-type

Rebecca's World--Combination of rich burgundy and pink, decorative

Santa Claus--Showy red and white bicolor, dinnerplate

Thomas Edison--Purple, dinnerplate

and Collections of both dinnerplate and decorative varieties.

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**DATURA METELOIDES (Angel's Trumpet, Moonflower, Thornapple):** These shrubby plants have stout stems clad in large, foul smelling leaves (when crushed). The huge, trumpet shaped flowers unravel from rolled-up, cigar-like buds in early evening, then exude a striking, intense perfume. Plants are large, growing up to 4' tall and wide. They make a wonderful specimen or interesting container plant. Related to the nightshades so all parts are poisonous. Many varieties self-sow.

Ballerina Series--Gorgeously scented, double, upright facing flowers on dwarf, bushy plants. Equally beautiful in pots or beds. An award winner! 18-30". Available in purple, white and yellow. (5" pot)

'Belle Blanche'--Large 6" white, upward facing flowers perfume the air with a delicious evening fragrance all summer long. (5" pot)

'Blackcurrant Swirl'--Large, double, lavishly-frilled flowers of lavender swirled with purple. Grows to 5' tall and is breathtaking in bloom. (5" pot)

**DIANTHUS BARBATUS, CHINENSIS & HYBRIDS (Garden Pinks)--**An easy garden beauty to enhance rock gardens, containers, beds and cut flower arrangements. Plant in a sunny spot and space 10" in the garden. Dianthus generally enjoys cooler growing conditions and may stop blooming during the peak of summer. Water moderately. Most varieties have a spicy fragrance. Best treated as an annual, even though they will survive through most winters, given adequate protection and soil that doesn't remain too soggy. **Species, varieties and colors will be based on availability from our wholesalers.**

Ideal Select Series--Early flowering, compact habit with 1 1/4-1 1/2" flowers. Bright green leaves are the perfect background for brightly colored flowers produced in terminal clusters. Outstanding garden performance with great heat tolerance. Very hardy variety that may grace the garden for years to come. Grows just 8-10" tall for the front of the border or in containers. Color choices depend upon availability from our outside vendors. Usually available in red, violet, a mix and possibly other colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Super Parfait Series--Improved for bloom size and earliness, the Super Parfait dianthus series sports large, luscious blooms of 2 to 2 1/2" blossoms, covering the compact 6-8" plants without sacrificing its excellent garden performance. Usually available in raspberry, red peppermint and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

**DICHONDRA ARGENTEA:** Though a relative of morning glories, it's difficult to see the similarities. These natives of eastern Asia are used primarily as fillers for the edges of pots and baskets or as a groundcover.

'Silver Falls'--Very drought and heat tolerant silver-stemmed foliage plant with a true cascading habit. Covered with small, rounded silver leaves it branches well without

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pinching. Grows to 3-4' long in containers or as a 2-3" tall groundcover in well-drained soil. Does best in full sun. (From outside vendors when available in 5" pots)

**DIPLADENIA, *Mandevilla sanderi*:** Much smaller in structure than the standard *Mandevilla*, this tropical vine offers profuse blooms of intense cherry-red from spring to fall. Excellent in containers or hanging baskets. Keep evenly moist. Grow in at least 5 hours of full sun. Overwinter indoors in the sunniest window possible as a houseplant. Prune as needed to maintain size and shape. Feed regularly. (Available in 6" and 10" pots and/or hanging baskets)

'Red Riding Hood'--The spectacularly prolific, large, pink-red flowers adorn this plant. The flowers open as red, then fade to deep pink, creating a variety of shades at any one time.

Madinia Series (formerly 'Rio')--Madinia has a slow, controlled growth habit and was bred for improved branching. Incredibly showy and easy to grow vine with large, trumpet-shaped blooms creates a splendid centerpiece on a trellis in the garden or in a patio container. Produces an abundance of blooms all season long sure. Available in pink and red.

Sun Parasol Series--Recognized for excellent vigor, weather tolerance, long bloom cycles, disease resistance and ease of growing. These versatile plants, which include bush and vining habits, will climb 12 to 15 feet and bloom non-stop from spring until fall. They are ideal in containers, on trellises or arbors, grown as a hanging plant or trailing groundcover, and good for small spaces and balconies. Selection of colors and flower forms subject to vendors' availability.

**DOROTHEANTHUS BELLIDIFORMIS, Syn. *Mesembryanthemum criniflorum* (Ice Plant, Livingstone Daisy):** Succulent annuals from South Africa. Leaves are light green, fleshy and spoon-shaped. Ground hugging, they do best in lean, dry soils. Flowers during the summer. Must be planted in full sun. A common roadside plant in southern California.

Mezoo Series--This variety features vigorously trailing succulent variegated foliage accented by dime-sized deep red flowers. Unlike the species, this variety is more tolerant of wetter soils. A nice alternative to vinca vine in mixed containers. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**DRACAENA INDIVISA (Spike):** A long-used foliage plant which adds height to container plantings. Grassy foliage. Grows to 3' in one season. Drought tolerant but does best in moist, rich soil. Full sun to light shade. Very easy to winter over as a houseplant for increased size. From the same group of plants as cordylines. (5" pot)

**DURANTA REPENS, *D. erecta* (Sky Flower, Golden Dewdrop):** Erect to spreading bushy shrub with toothed, rich green, gold or variegated leaves. Bears pendant panicles of blue flowers during the summer, followed by yellow fruit. Grow in moist,

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well-drained soil in full sun. A tropical plant so overwinter indoors. Does well in containers if well-watered. Quite sprawling.

'Golden Edge'--Bright green leaves with a creamy yellow margin. Grows to 16" and spreading. Moderately vigorous. Ideal for container plantings and hanging baskets. (5" pot)

'Sapphire Showers'--A gorgeous, everblooming shrub with pure blue flowers and a touch of white. Flowers have a mild vanilla fragrance. (10" pots)

**DUSTY MILLER:** Outstanding bedding plants whose striking silvery foliage provides texture and contrast in the sunny landscape. Heat and frost tolerant. A garden standard in mixed beds and containers.

'Angel Wings' (Senecio candicans)--Has long, velvety leaves of silvery-white with scalloped leaf edges. This easy-to-grow succulent makes an attractive color contrast to the standard green foliage in the garden. It creates a striking plant for a stand-alone container either as an indoor plant or grow outside on a patio or as a focal point in the garden. Grows to 16" in full sun. (5 1/2" pot from an outside vendor)

'New Look' (Senecio/centaurea cineraria)--Large, oak-leaved shaped white leaves are ideal for borders and combination plantings. Grows 8-10" tall. Usually available from an outside vendor. (4-pack)

'Silverdust' (Senecio/centaurea cineraria)--The standard, old-fashioned Dusty Miller. Finely divided foliage. Plants are 8-12" tall, uniform and compact. (4-pack)

**ENGLISH IVY:** See Hedera.

**ELEPHANT'S EARS:** See Colocasia or Alocasia.

**ENSETE VENTRICOSUM 'Maurelii' (Red Abyssinian Banana)**--A sun-lover and very fast grower, reaching 10' in a single summer. Trunk, stems and leaf undersides are a rich, dark red. As with all bananas, grow in full sun in an area protected from wind to prevent shredding. Over winter indoors if desired. See Musa for more banana selections and growing details. Excellent in large containers. Available in 5, 6 and/or 8" pots based on availability.

**EUCALYPTUS GUNNII (Cider Gum):** A deciduous tree native to Southern Australia and Tasmania. In its natural habitat it can reach up to 100 feet tall. The bark is smooth green and white. Juvenile leaves are leathery, glaucous blue and rounded to oblong to one to two inches wide. The adult leaves are greenish to 4 inches long and narrowly to broadly lanceolate. When leaves are crushed they are heavily scented.

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'Silver Drop'--Distinctively scented, silvery blue foliage highlight this unusual and vigorous accent plant. A tree in it's native Tasmania, it is best used in large combination plantings. Use in full sun. (5" pot)

'Steel Tower'--Distinctively scented, silvery blue foliage highlight this unusual and vigorous accent plant. A tree in it's native Tasmania, it is best used in large combination plantings. Use in full sun. A Proven Winners selection. 24-36" tall. (5" pot)

**EUCOMIS BICOLOR (Pineapple Lily):** A very easy-to-grow and curious South African native that works well as a specimen plant in any large container. Leaves are strap-like form a basal rosette from which a flower stalk arises in early summer. Called pineapple lily because of the flower appearance which resembles a pineapple from a distance. The top of the flower stalk is a dense cluster of starry flowers, topped by a green, leafy tuft. Allowed to go completely dry between bloom periods, flowers continue throughout the summer. At the end of summer, allow the pot to go completely dry before winter storage. Remove all foliage before bringing indoors. Store dormant in a cool and dry location. In mid-March, move to a warmer location and begin watering. New foliage will appear in just a few weeks. Plants will fill the container slowly as the years pass. Propagate by division. For sun to part shade. About 20" tall when in bloom. The foliage of bicolor is somewhat wavy. (Available in our bulb area)

**EUPATORIUM CAPILLIFOLIUM (Dog Fennel):** A North American perennial herbaceous plant in the family sunflower family, native to the eastern and south-central United States from Texas, through southern Illinois and up the east coast. The stems and base are covered in leaves so dissected that they resemble branching green threads coming out of the stem in fractal patterns. When crushed, the leaves and flowers smell rather unpleasant.

'Elegant Feather'--With lacy, cosmos-like foliage that sways in the wind, this strong, upright grower looks amazing in large combos or beds. In late summer it becomes blanketed with so many small white flowers, it resembles a flocked Christmas tree. For full sun to part-shade. Impressive at 4-7'! (5" pot)

**EUPHORBIA GRAMINEA, Syn. HYPERICIFOLIA, Syn. Chamaesyce hypericifolia (Grassleaf Spurge):** An upright spurge. Leaves opposite and oval, lighter underneath than on top, with a prominent midrib, nearly sessile. Typical euphorbia flowers. Reddish brown stem with milky white sap. Look like frothy clusters of airy flowers, held above narrow, delicate leaves. The plants have a mounding habit, but will spread 2-3'. Allow the plant to dry between waterings. Too much water can cause rotting. No fertilizer is needed, although a little boost in mid-summer can help keep them going, especially plants in containers. No deadheading is required. You can pinch young plants to encourage branching and you can trim back plants at any time, to shape or keep their size in check. Originally found in a roadside ditch. Native to the Americas.

'Diamond Frost'--Clouds of dainty white flowers match the full and airy habit of the most exciting plant to come around in years. Exceptionally heat tolerant and for full sun to

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part shade. Also drought tolerant. Use in baskets, containers or in the landscape. Blooms year round as a houseplant. 13-16" tall. (5" pot)

'Diamond Mountain--From Proven Winners, this cousin of Diamond Frost is as versatile and easy-to-grow, but much larger. Pairs well with more vigorous plants in mixed annual containers. (5" pot)

'Diamond Snow'--Has the same habit and easy-to-grow features as the original favorite, Diamond Frost, but it features double white flowers. 12-18". (5" pot)

'Euphoric White'--A new variety from Goldfish Plants. Forms a dense habit of dark green foliage. Pure white flowers bloom all summer long. Choose this vigorous, low-maintenance variety for mixed planters and baskets. 12-18" tall. (5" pot)

**EUSTOMA:** See Lisianthus

**EVOLVULUS GLOMERATUS:** Like their morning glory cousins, these miniature look-alikes also open only in the morning. Its trailing stems bear small, silver-gray leaves and numerous flowers. Extremely drought tolerant!!

'Blue My Mind'--New in 2013 from Proven Winners. Blue flowers with a white eye. Very easy to care for. Grows in sun to part-shade. Plants are 6-8" tall. Trails to 24". Blooms spring to fall. Use in hanging baskets and window boxes. Maintain on the dryish side. Overwatering leads to root rot. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**FLOWERING CABBAGE, Brassica oleracea:** A unique ornamental plant with deeply veined, fringed leaves. Plants color up beautifully with the onset of cooler weather in the fall. Resistant to frost and will usually hold its color well into December--creating a stunning display in the snow. Ideal as a bedding plant or in containers. Height is generally 10-18". Plant in full sun in average garden soil.

Dynasty/Osaka--Tight, compact heads of semi-waved leaves that grow to 12" tall. Available in red and white. (4-pack)

**FLOWERING KALE, Brassica oleracea:** Very similar to Flowering Cabbage in growth characteristics and care but has larger, more deeply ruffled outer leaves. Spectacular color comes with cooler weather in the fall. Frost resistant. Use for bedding or containers. Plant in average garden soil in full sun. Like all kales, it is edible but many have a rather bitter taste. Edible varieties that are especially lovely in the garden include: Dinosaur, Redbor and Red Russian.

'Dinosaur' (Lacinato Kale)--Interesting puckered blue-green leaves on plants that grow 2-3 feet tall. An edible heirloom variety that is making a strong comeback as an ornamental and in the vegetable garden. (4-pack)

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Emperor Series (Nagoya Series)--Heavily fringed, very uniform leaves. Available in red, rose and white. (4-pack)

'Glamour Red'--2011 AAS Winner. This is All-America Selections' first winning kale (edible or ornamental) in seventy-eight years of trialing! 'Glamour Red' is an excellent achievement in breeding for its unique shiny leaves. The waxless quality of the leaves makes them shiny with a more intense, vivid color as compared to existing ornamental brassicas. It is a fringed leaf type with flower head size of 10 to 12 inches. (4-pack)

Kamome Series--Deeply fringed, closely packed leaves. Stunning contrast between the center color and rich green outer leaves. A fringed leaf variety. 12" tall and wide. Available in red. (4-pack)

Peacock Series--Deeply serrated, feathery foliage. Available in red. (4-pack)

'Redbor'--Very deep red-purple, frilly leaves. Color and curling is enhanced by cold weather. Beautiful ornamental variety is also one of the better edible varieties. Can grow to 36". (3-pack)

Russian Series--A Siberian series of kale that is among the most cold hardy for very late harvests. Though delicious, all kales are equally lovely in the flower garden as a foliage plant. The frilly leaves add contrast and texture. Has a tender and sweet taste when cooked and raw--among the most flavorful of all kales. Available in red. 16-20" tall. (4-pack)

**FLOWERING TOBACCO:** See Nicotiana

**FOUR O'CLOCKS (*Mirabilis jalapa*):** This bushy, old-fashioned annual has oval, deep green leaves on branched stems. In summer, blooms appear: fragrant red, pink, magenta, yellow or white flowers and many bicolors with a delicate, faded-vanilla aroma. Flowers open in late afternoon and die by morning. Grow in moderately fertile, well-drained soil. Lift tubers in winter and store dormant cool and dry in peat moss or left in their containers if potted. Though said to bloom at 4:00, they usually bloom later in the evening here in the north where summer days are exceptionally long. Plants are bushy and can grow to 3'. Best planted in full sun to part shade. Native to the higher elevations of South America. Very easy to start from seed. Tubers are available in our bulb area.

**FREESIA:** A South African native, freesia bears elegant flowers on slender, curved spikes above fans of small gladiolus-like leaves. It is among the most beautifully fragrant flowers. Trumpet-shaped blooms to 2" long run the spectrum of color. Freesias usually grow 12-18" tall. Stagger planting to extend bloom. Bulbs must be dug and stored in the fall. Single and double flowered varieties exist. (Available with both single and double flowers in our bulb area)

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**FUCHSIA HYBRIDS:** One of only a few shade-tolerant annuals. Does best in a rather protected area away from strong winds. Does not like to dry out! (5" pot and/or hanging baskets. Not all varieties are available in all configurations.

Angel Earrings 'Double Red'--Scarlet red sepals with a white corolla. Classified as an upright, though looks great in hanging baskets. Both heat and sun tolerant. (5" pot and 10" hanging basket)

'Autumnale'--A splendid trailing fuchsia distinguished by pure gold leaves, flushed with purple and orange. Nice in mixed planters. 6-18" tall. (5" pot)

Bella Series 'Lydia'--A nice semi-trailing fuchsia with light-green leaves. The contrast between these leaves and the red with pink flowers is beautiful. Compact.

'Blue Eyes'--Trailing type. Pink sepals over blue double corollas bloom spring to fall. (5" pot and/or 10" hanging basket)

'Deep Purple'--Trailing type. Exquisite ruffles of rich purple petals contrast beautifully with the pure white outer sepals. Giant double blooms of up to 2" across drip from naturally trailing stems. (5" pot and/or 10" hanging basket)

'Electric Lights'--A miniature selection of fuchsia with small purple and magenta-pink flowers. This lovely hybrid grows into an upright yet bushy plant. The flower bud leaf (calyx) and floral tube are vividly red-pink while flower petals are deep purple. These pendent blossoms attract hummingbirds. 12-18" tall. (5" pot)

'Firecracker'--Upright with variegated foliage: green with cream, crimson veins and deep crimson leafbacks. Flowers are salmon-orange and similar to Gartenmeister. (5" pot)

'Gartenmeister Bonstedt'--An upright fuchsia with single, 3/4" wide, orange trumpet flowers and dark, attractive purplish foliage. Blooms nonstop all season and indoors all winter if brought inside, producing a tremendous number of flowers. Heat and sun tolerant. Grows to 3-4' tall. A must in attracting hummingbirds to the garden. (5" pot)

'New Millenium'--Trailing type. Well branched plant. It has medium sized double flowers with pale pink sepals and dark purple petals. Good in baskets and containers. (5" pot and/or 10" hanging basket)

**GARDENIA HYBRIDS**--Super fragrant shrubs native to the tropical regions of Africa and Asia. Flowers are usually complex, very textured, usually white and held above glossy and attractive foliage. Plants can be long-lived, but are often times difficult to get to rebloom. The key to stimulate blooming is to cut back drastically on the watering during the winter months and overwinter in a very cool, but bright location. In the summer, place the plant outside in a relatively shady location, keeping it well-watered--dappled shade is best. Plants prefer an acidic and peaty potting mix similar to florist azaleas and are grown under similar conditions for best performance. Prune to shape

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immediately after flowering in late spring. Gardenias are generally available here in the north from late winter into early summer. (Usually available throughout the spring in our blooming plant area in 6" pots. Sometimes also available in 10" pots and as standards)

'Miami Supreme' (G. jasminoides)--A large, densely-foliaged shrub that produces large fragrant double-flowers. (10" pot)

**GAURA LINDHEIMERI (Wand Flower):** A North American native adaptable to a variety of conditions. Grown as an annual in the north, it can perennialize under certain conditions and many varieties self-sow readily. The light and airy look fits perfectly into the wildflower garden. Dwarf varieties do well in mixed containers, blooming all summer. Gaura is extremely drought tolerant and does best in dry conditions. Tall varieties may need to be staked. Attracts butterflies to the garden. Zone 6 hardy.

'Whirling Butterflies'--See Perennials

**GAZANIA SPLENDENS (Treasure Flower):** Like many full sun, drought tolerant, daisy-type bedding plants, gazanias are native to South Africa. Excellent for bedding, edging, groundcover and containers. 3-4" blooms are nonstop from mid-summer till frost. Colors generally range from the yellows, oranges, rusts and reds to white and sometimes shades of pink and purple, depending on variety. Blooms close at night and stay closed on cloudy days. **Variety selection and colors may change as the season progresses based on wholesaler availability.**

Kiss Series-Vigorous, uniformly mounded plants show off their flowers on short stems. The 'Frosty' selections from this series have silver foliage. Grows 8-10". Available in a mix. (4-pack)

New Day Series--More uniform flowering than Kiss, with larger flowers and better plant habits. Compact, sturdy, high-quality plants. Bred to deliver larger flowers, shorter peduncles and beefier-looking plants. Drought-tolerant series performs beautifully in containers and baskets, and as a garden edging or groundcover. Usually available in clear orange, red shades and yellow. 8-10" tall and wide. (4-pack)

**GERANIUM (Pelargonium):** Geraniums (Pelargoniums) are evergreen, perennial plants of South African origin that are treated as annuals here in the Midwest. When introduced to Britain, they were given the common name Geranium because of their botanical similarity to the hardy, herbaceous genus Geranium (Cranesbills), which was commonly cultivated around Europe at that time. This common name is still most widely used in North America today, although almost all the plants usually referred to as geraniums belong to the genus Pelargonium.

The geraniums that we carry here at Klein's can be classified into 4 groups: zonal, regal (Martha Washingtons), ivy-leaved, and scented.

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**Zonal Geraniums** have rounded leaves usually marked with a distinct, dark zone and single, semi-double or double flowers. Some newer cultivars, however, do not have a zone and others have golden, white-variegated or tri-colored leaves (such as our fancy-leaved geraniums). Zonals grow well in the open garden and are ideal for summer bedding since they bloom continuously from early summer till killing frosts.

**Regal Geraniums (Martha Washingtons)** are small shrubby plants rounded, deeply cut leaves, and wide trumpet-shaped flowers, often in exotic colors. Many times the stiff foliage has a fragrance. They may be planted in the garden, but in our climate are best grown as container plants or houseplants. They tend not to like our summer heat and humidity and the flowers are quickly spoiled by rain. They do best on the northwest and northeast coasts or if we have a cool summer. They also do best given a bit of shade from the afternoon sun. Indoors they can bloom year round on a bright windowsill. Over the years they have become somewhat of a traditional Mother's Day gift but have lost favor in recent years so are becoming increasingly difficult to find.

**Ivy Geraniums** tend to be trailing pelargoniums with rounded, lobed, ivy-like leaves and flowers similar to those of zonals, available in a rich assortment of colors. They are used mainly in hanging baskets and other containers. The foliage tends to be a brighter green, sometimes variegated and sometimes with zonal markings, and have a distinctive rigid, crunchy texture. When asked for our "trailing geraniums" the ivy geraniums are the ones we recommend!

**Scented Geraniums** have small, delicate, sometimes insignificant blooms with five petals and fragrant foliage, for which they are chiefly grown. For the most part, they have only one flush of blooming, usually early in the season and should, therefore, not be recommended to the customer seeking a long-blooming bedding plant. They make very nice houseplants year round. Bruised leaves added to a glass of ice water makes a refreshing and unique summer treat!

All of the geraniums we sell are taken from cuttings. The rooted cuttings are ready to plant into their final pot, whereas the unrooted cuttings we receive need to be stuck into a rooting medium and allowed to root out before final planting. Many of our competitors sell seed geraniums, which are actually grown from seed. But their flowers tend to shatter more easily and sooner and the flower heads tend to be less impressive than the varieties we've chosen to sell here at Klein's. (Available in 5", 6" &/or 8" pots and baskets, pouches & combos)

### ZONAL GERANIUMS:

Americana Series--These early bloomers are all-around excellent performers. Bred as a series for both the grower and the consumer, they have become the industry standard. The large, round florets come in bright unique, clean colors. Foliage is a medium, seldom zoned green. Blooms are semi-double. Available in dark red, dark salmon, violet ice and white splash.

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Chocolate Series--The perfect choice for beds and borders. Superb for baskets, containers and window boxes. Wonderful for combination plantings. Densely branched plants feature reverse zoned foliage in all the usual geranium colors. Available in apricot.

Mojo Series--Mojo is a new series that combines dark foliage and brilliant color, creating a bold display. Available in a dark, velvet red.

Rocky Mountain Series--Extremely large, vigorous plants with deep green foliage. Flowers are huge and very heat tolerant. Available in magenta and orange.

Survivor Series--Classic American geranium habit. Heat, cold and wind tolerant. Robust and free-branching with huge semi-double blooms on heavy umbels. Outstanding in containers and in the landscape. Intensely zoned. Available in blue, indigo sky, salmon pink and white.

Tall, Dark & Handsome Series--Narrow, upright columnar habit. Dark glossy black and green foliage. Flowering on the entire stem, not just the terminal shoots. Available in coral.

Tango Series--Dark foliage and compact plants are the distinguishing features of this classic series. Flowers are semi-double. Leaves are nicely zoned and the growth habit leans toward compact. Available in dark red, deep rose, neon purple, orange and salmon.

### **INTERSPECIFIC GERANIUMS:**

Big Ezee Series--This is vigorous series is much larger than your standard zonal geranium growing 14-24" in height and 16" in width. Available in dark red, fuchsia blue, 'Foxy Flamingo' (soft pink petals edged in deep pink), pink and watermelon.

Calliope Series--A vigorous trailing series of geraniums bred from the Americana series. This is a revolutionary breakthrough in the production of zonal geraniums. Perfect for baskets, large pots and beds. Blooms are large and very full. Available in crimson flame, dark red, deep rose, hot pink, lavender, orange splash, pink flame, rose Mega Splash, salmon, scarlet fire and white.

GardenStar Series--New series with a semi-mounded cascading habit. Leaves have chocolate zoning. Flowers are single and prolific. 'Flame Scarlet' has chocolate centered foliage with gold edges and bright orange flowers.

Moxie Series--A revolutionary breakthrough in geranium breeding, bring the best features of ivy and zonal geraniums into one series. Extremely well-branched, vigorous mounding habit is ideal for baskets, large pots and landscape applications. Large Semi-double flowers with stunning color. Available in dark red, deep rose and pink.

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'Pretty Little Pink Splash'--This brilliant geranium will take center stage in baskets and containers. Dense, mounded, compact habit supports abundant, vivid pink flowers all season.

Sarita Series--A dark-leaved interspecific geranium series, Sarita features large single flowers and boasts exceptional heat tolerance. Available in dark red, 'Fire', white and 'Wild Salmon'.

### IVY-LEAVED GERANIUMS:

Great Balls of Fire--Great Balls of Fire is a new series of ivy geranium. They are heat tolerant with big, double flowers and strong foliage. Eight striking colors are available in the series. Available in dark red and pink.

Ivy League Series--Color ahead of its class. Exceptional heat tolerance, raises the bar for the ivy geranium class. Strong branching and pot fill builds better baskets. A broad range of core and novelty colors makes Ivy League the go-to ivy geranium series. Available in burgundy, deep pink, light lavender, red and salmon.

### SCENTED GERANIUMS:

Used fresh as a natural deodorizer or to flavor drinks and desserts. Use dried in potpourri. Overwinters easily on a bright windowsill. Selection changes seasonally and from year to year. **Our 2020 assortment includes:** Angel's Perfume (lemon), Apple, Charity, Chocolate Mint, Coconut, Lady Plymouth, Lemon, Lime, Nutmeg, Old-fashioned Rose, Orange, Pine and Strawberry. (4 and/or 5" pots)

### OTHER GERANIUMS:

**Stellar Geraniums**--So called due to their star-shaped flowers and leaves (resembling Ginko leaves). One of the most overlooked novelty geraniums. Outstanding garden performance. Flowers are generally single on compact plants. Available in 'Vancouver Centennial' (chartreuse and bronze foliage with scarlet flowers). (5" pot)

**Fancy Leaf Geraniums**--Zonal geraniums with extraordinary markings and unusual leaf coloration combining green, gold, crimson, cream and often become tricolor. They do best in a lightly shaded location. Available in an assortment of leaf markings including white edge and heavily-zoned varieties. (5" pot) Available varieties usually include:

'Glitterati Diva Queen'--This new hybrid specialty geranium has vibrant chartreuse leaves with a striking red-rust zone and bright pink flowers. Has a rounded, mound-shaped habit.

'Mrs. Pollock'--Golden yellow leaves with brownish, purple, pink and green coloration. Flowers are single and red-orange.

'Occold Shield'--Burgundy-centered, green leaves with fire red blooms.

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**GERBERA JAMESONII (Gerber Daisy, Transvaal Daisy):** Gerber plants produce huge, brilliantly colored, daisy-like flower heads from 3-6" in diameter. Flowers are borne individually on sturdy stalks over a large, ground-hugging rosette of spreading, mid-green, deeply lobed leaves that are woolly underneath, looking vaguely like a giant dandelion. Likes full sun with some protection from the hottest afternoon sun. Soil must be very well-drained to prevent crown rot, but they need to be kept evenly moist at all times. They have a tendency to do very well some years and not so well other years. The newer hybrids are far more consistent and relatively pest-free. Very easy to overwinter, kept dry and cool (much like geraniums). Grows 10-16" tall.

Patio Series--A selection of gerbera plants, selected for their compactness, flower size and abundant flowering. The varieties are suitable for outside as well as inside use and are all named after national parks. Patio Gerberas produce full bodied plants with large size blooms (3 to 5 inch in diameter) and keeps flowering all summer long. Available in an assortment of colors. (5" pot)

**GERMAN IVY (Delairea odorata, syn. Senecio mikanioides):** A beautiful and old-fashioned foliage plant that will quickly fill a trellis or arbor. Makes a beautiful, natural privacy screen. Plant in a part-shade to shady area. Too much hot afternoon sun will cause the plant to wilt but with little long-term damage. Best planted in containers in rich, moist soil. Leaves are a stunning bright green. Has small, bright yellow flower heads, but is grown exclusively for its foliage. Makes a lovely houseplant. Available both plain green and variegated. (5" pot)

**GINGER, SHELL:** See *Alpinia*

**GLADIOLA HYBRIDS:** Long-lasting cut flowers with a vase life of up to 1-2 weeks. 3-6' tall flowers spikes are available in a wide range of colors. Foliage is green and strap-like. Stagger plantings to extend the bloom season. Stake the flower stalks for best success because they are very susceptible to wind damage. Corms must be dug up in fall. Available in prepackaged bags in our bulb area in many colors.

**GLECHOMA HEDERACEAE (Creeping Charlie):** Yes, this is the exact same plant as the common lawn weed we all try so hard to get rid of. But these variegated varieties make an excellent trailing foliage plant in mixed containers. It's super-easy to grow and roots wherever the stems touch moist soil. Also, it's tolerant both of full sun and full shade. It makes a nice substitute for the all-too-common vinca vine. Like lawn creeping Charlie, it has lovely purple flowers in late spring and the foliage is super-fragrant. Grows to 4" high.

'Variegata'--Small leafed and highly fragrant. Tight, mat-forming habit. Lovely in baskets and window boxes. (5" pot)

**GLORIOSA ROTHSCILDIANA (GLORIOSA LILY, FLAME LILY):** Originating in the warmth of South Africa and India, gloriosa lilies bear a name that means "full of glory",

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appropriate for such showy exotics. These tender perennials form sizeable clumps when happy and will scramble 4 to 6 feet in a season. Vines are light weight, so are fine with slender supports. Easy to grow and excellent for summer decks, and inside in sunrooms and greenhouses where there is sufficient room for vining plant. Very easy to overwinter in a pot. (Tubers are available in our bulb area)

**GOMPHRENA GLOBOSA (Bedding Globe Amaranth):** Well-branched upright plants produce continuous bouquets of brightly colored, clover-like blooms all summer long. Harvesting promotes flower production. Grow in average soil with good drainage in full sun. Both heat and drought tolerant. A must for the dried-flower garden!

Buddy Series--Ball shaped, compact plants. Excellent for bedding and pots; good weather tolerance. Grows to 8" tall. Available in purple, rose and white. (4-pack)

Gnome Series--The most compact gomphrena available, making an excellent front of the border bedding plant. Neat, mounded plants maintain a uniform 8-10" in height. Flowers are 3/4" across. Extremely heat tolerant. Usually offered in pink, purple, white and a mix depending on wholesaler availability. (4-pack)

'Horton's Revenge'--Bright chartreuse foliage with magenta globe amaranth flowers; Wonderful in containers as a contrasting pop of color. Grows to 15-24" tall. (5" pot)

Ping Pong Series--This series delivers an explosion of color in containers and mass plantings. It also adds height and dimension making it terrific as a garden cut flower. Grows to 20" tall. Available in lavender, purple and white. (4-pack)

**GOMPHRENA HAAGEANA (Tall Globe Amaranth):** Tall, cut flower versions of the shorter bedding globe amaranths. Grow in similar conditions in full sun.

'Strawberry Fields'--A popular cut flower grower favorite, Strawberry Fields gomphrena provides an abundance of strawberry-red globular flowers on tall branching plants. Flowers are produced from summer to early fall and are great for cutting and drying. Grows to 22" tall. (4-pack)

Qis Series--QIS Series is an ideal selection for either landscaping or bouquets. Loose, open-branched, and great for cutting beds and mid-borders. 24-30" tall. Available in carmine and purple. (4-pack)

**GOMPHRENA PULCHELLA (Globe Amaranth):**

'Fireworks'--An outstanding garden performer, Fireworks light up the landscape with vigorous bushy plants that grow 3 to 4 feet tall and up to 2 feet wide. Tons of strong, tall stems are topped with exploding bursts of full, large 1" blooms in hot pink tipped with bright yellow. A showstopper in the garden and conversation piece when cut for mixed bouquets. Drought-tolerant and low-maintenance, Fireworks resists weather damage and provides an attractive architectural element for the landscape. (4-pack)

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'Truffula Pink'--Looking for a different annual to add some pazazz to your garden? 'Truffula Pink' gomphrena is a tough, low-maintenance plant with long-lasting, intense iridescent pink blossoms tipped with yellow. This cultivar grows quickly to form a full, dense basal clump of leaves 2.5-3 feet or more across, then produces numerous long, sturdy but thin, upright flower stems 3 feet tall with just a few narrow leaves along those stems (reminiscent of *Verbena bonariensis*, all stems and flowers with little foliage). A sure-fire winner in the landscape. (5" pot)

**GRASSES:** Annual grasses, like all foliage plants, add texture and interest to the garden and container alike. Selection has increased dramatically over the past few years with a wide array of foliage structure and color and a huge variety of seed heads and the choices continue to grow. We consider grasses to be annual if their hardiness is Zone 6 or higher. For grasses Zone 5 or lower, please visit our perennial selection.

*Carex flagellifera* 'Toffee Twist' (Toffee Twist Sedge)--Mounded. Iridescent slender mahogany leaves arch upward 1 1/2-2' before spilling back to the ground. Distinctive accent plant or in masses, it grows well in rock gardens or along slopes. Gorgeous in containers. Full sun to part shade. Grows to 18-24". Zone 7. (5" pot)

*Cyperus percamenthus* 'King Tut' (Umbrella Plant)--Arching. The umbrella plant has graced pool sides, ponds, pots and tubs for hundreds of years. The leaves are actually bracts that resemble the ribs of an umbrella. At the top are clusters of light green flowers that brown at maturity. Grows best in constantly moist, fertile soil. Grows to 4-5'. Zone 9. (PW pots throughout the season)

*Cyperus percamenthus* 'Prince Tut' (Umbrella Plant)--Arching. A compact form of King Tut, about half the height. Shorter, sturdier stems are less likely to bend compared to the larger variety. The umbrella plant has graced pool sides, ponds, pots and tubs for hundreds of years. The leaves are actually bracts that resemble the ribs of an umbrella. At the top are clusters of light green flowers that brown at maturity. Grows best in constantly moist, fertile soil. Grows to 2-3'. Zone 9. (5" pot)

*Pennisetum purpureum* 'First Knight'--Upright arching habit. The newest noble boasts the deepest, darkest, blackest purple of them all. A sword thrust of very upright leaves in center, arching around the edges. A vigorous grower, 'First Knight' will not usually flower in northern climates before fall freezes. An easy maintenance plant. Grows to 48-54". Zone 8. (5" pot)

*Pennisetum purpureum* 'Vertigo'--A 36-48" variety with purple to nearly black foliage. A nice sub for 'Purple Majesty' millet. This variety is especially dramatic in clusters, mass plantings, or along slopes. Pest and disease-free. Used either in the back or middle of a container. (5" pot)

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*Pennisetum setaceum rubrum* (Purple Fountain Grass)--Long red-purple flowers on cascading purple foliage. A quick bloomer, used as an annual or container specimen. 12-36" tall. Full sun. Zone 9. (5" and larger pots, priced as marked)

*Pennisetum setaceum rubrum* 'Fireworks'--A rubrum with flair!! The first variegated purple fountain grass. The foliage has midveins of burgundy with hot pink margins. This sport was discovered by accident and had been in very short supply until very recently. Grows to 2-3'. Zone 9. (5" pot and larger pots, priced as marked)

*Pennisetum setaceum rubrum* 'Red Riding Hood' (Dwarf Purple-leaved Fountain Grass)--Upright arching. A dwarf form of 'Rubrum', this rich burgundy-colored fountain grass does wonders for any container garden. Adds height without outgrowing its welcome. Wonderful in small borders. 18-30" tall. Zone 9. (5" pot)

*Pennisetum setaceum rubrum* 'Sky Rocket'--A terrific companion to the temperennial grass 'Fireworks', this green and white sport is a strong grower that exhibits stable variegation all season long. Green leaves with white striped margins form a beautiful vase-like clump topped with smoky pink, arching plumes that turn cream as they age. Since the plumes are sterile, the plant blooms from midsummer all the way into mid-fall. This tender grass is perfect for adding height and structure to combination container plantings. Grows to 2-3'. Zone 9. (5" deep pot and larger pots, priced as marked)

*Scirpus cernus* (a.k.a. *Isolepis cernus*) (Fiber Optic Grass)--Mounded. This bright green grass-like plant gets its name from the small flowers on the tip of each stem. Grows as a marginal plant or moist soils. Great in container gardens. 12" tall. Zone 9. (5" pot)

*Stipa tenuissima* (a.k.a. *Nasella tenuissima*) (Mexican Feather Grass)--Mounded. Needle-like flexible leaves form dense, bright green clumps. The flowers are silky plumes that appear in June and change from bright green to gold as they mature. Spectacular when backlit at night, they are striking alone, or in large masses or drifts. A flower arranger's dream. Grows to 12-18". Zone 7. (5" pot)

**GYPSOPHILA MURALIS (Annual Baby's Breath):** Also known as wall baby's breath, this is a very low growing, dome-shaped plant with extremely thin leaves and stems. Flowers are small and seem to float on air, producing a very charming effect. A much underrated plant that is seldom seen at garden centers. Wonderful in containers and hanging baskets. Full sun to part shade. Average, well-drained soil and tolerates poor, sandy soil.

Gypsy--The original pastel pink was a 1997 AAS Winner and we now offer the 2004 AAS Winning color. It has a compact spreading habit and produces semi- to fully double blooms. Excellent in containers or baskets. 8-10" tall. Available in deep rose. (3-pack)

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**HEATHER, MEXICAN:** See Cuphea

**HEDERA HELIX (English Ivy):** A lovely, trailing accent for mixed containers and hanging baskets. Many varieties are actually hardy in the Wisconsin garden, but most are common houseplants during the winter. Excellent for lower light situations, but some are quite sun tolerant.

'Eva'--Attractive, dark blue-green foliage marked with creamy white. (4" coir pot)

'Glacier'--Has medium, almost triangular, 3-5 lobed, mid-green leaves with silver-gray variegations and white margins. Excellent in mixed shade containers or as a houseplant. (4" coir pot)

'Golden Child'--The American Ivy Society selected 'Golden Child' as the ivy of the year for 2008. This beautiful gold variegated ivy, has proven to be a very useful ivy, whether in the home or in the garden. The variegation is a bright gold margin with a green to green gray center. The brightness of the variegation is temperature dependent. In cooler temperatures the color is a very intense gold but in warmer weather the color can fade to butter yellow. (4" coir pot)

Ripple Series--This more vigorous variety is actually Zone 5 hardy. Leaves are larger than most English ivies with bold margins. Can grow to 6" tall. Available in white and yellow. (4" coir pot)

**HELENIUM AMARUM (Yellowdicks, Fine-leaved Sneezeweed):** Native to scrub, fields, fencerows and disturbed areas of the Great Plains and southern United States. The species version of this annual reaches up to 24" tall. Flowers are yellow. Blooms appear in late spring and continue into fall. When cows graze on this slightly toxic plant, their milk will become bitter tasting.

'Dakota Gold'--Something completely new for this North American native . . . a dwarf mounding sneezeweed that looks like a combination of melampodium and a giant dahlberg daisy. Dense, mounded plants are covered with bright yellow flowers all summer long. Foliage is fine-textured. Use in beds and containers in full sun. Vigorous. Grows equally well in heat and humidity, dry conditions or cool conditions. 12-14" tall. (2-pack)

**HELICHRYSUM PETIOLARE (Licorice Plant):** A very popular foliage plant. Color and growth habit varies greatly by variety. All are excellent container and bedding plants for full sun to part shade. Unbelievably, they are closely related to strawflowers.

'Lemon Licorice'--Chartreuse-yellow foliage and vigorous growth highlight this foliage plant. Velvety foliage. Great with warm color combos. Use in containers or beds. Keep moist, but not soggy and trim as needed. Grows 14-18" tall. (5" pot)

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'Silver/White Licorice'--Vigorous foliage plant with roundish silver leaves and fuzzy texture. A very popular component plant. Grows 14-18" tall and spreading. Plant in full sun. Keep moist. Use in baskets, beds and combination planters. (5" pot)

**HELIOTROPIUM ARBORESCENS (Heliotrope, Cherry Pie):** A lovely, old-fashioned garden plant with a strong vanilla fragrance. Very attractive to bees and butterflies. Wonderful in the border or in containers. Blooms are large clusters of deep violet-blue. Foliage is rich green and deeply ribbed. Plant in full sun and keep moist. Loves summer heat. **Cell pack selections based on outside vendor availability.**

'Atlantis'--The violet blue flowers smell of fresh vanilla. Quick to bloom with a very compact habit. Height: 10-12". (5" pot)

'Marine'--Giant umbels of deep violet-blue forming 4" heads on 8" plants. Among the most popular cultivars available. (4-pack)

**HIBISCUS ACETOSELLA (Coppertone Mallow):** Unlike most hibiscus, which are grown for their large, almost gaudy flowers, this species is grown for its stunning foliage. The large plants, if left unpinched, resemble a Japanese maple and can be used in much the same way in the landscape or in containers. Flowers tend to be deep purple, but come sporadically and are insignificant. Like all hibiscus, it requires deep watering and does best in full sun.

'Mahogany Splendor'--Features deep burgundy, maple-shaped leaves with serrated edges – an attractive look similar to a Japanese Maple. Ideally suited to the landscape, this drought and heat-resistant variety also combines well in containers with other vigorous sun-loving plants. Can be grown directly in the water as a pond plant. Deer resistant. Grows to 36-60" tall. (5" pot)

**HIBISCUS ROSA-SINENSIS (Tropical Hibiscus, Chinese Hibiscus):** Rounded, bushy shrubs or small trees with ovate to broadly lance-shaped leaves, up to 6" long, with toothed margins. Solitary, 5-petaled flowers, 4" across, with yellow-anthered stamens are produced from the leaf axils from summer to autumn. We carry a wide assortment of colors from red to rose to apricot to orange. Flowers are both single and double. A relatively easy to grow plant for containers on a sunny deck or patio. Flowers last only a day but put on quite a show with sheer size. Pots should remain moist, but not soggy. Do not allow to wilt. (Assorted sizes in 6, 8 and/or 10" pots available from spring through fall)

**HYACINTH BEAN, Dolichos lablab:** Annual vine. Ornamental and edible! A colorful, quick-and-easy vine will cover a trellis or arbor quite quickly. Purple stems and cascades of lovely lilac flowers. Pods are ruby-purple, delicious when young, and a popular specialty for Oriental, Indian or Indonesian cuisine. All parts are edible. Grows best in a warm, sheltered, sunny spot. Height reaches 10-20'.

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'Ruby Moon'--This dazzling ornamental, grown by Thomas Jefferson, has stunning lilac purple flowers and shiny, dark purple pods that stand out against the purple-green foliage. Twining stems quickly climb a fence or trellis, or will trail across the ground for an attractive ground cover. Can also be grown in containers. (4" coir pot).

**HYPOESTES SANGUIOLENTA (Polka Dot Plant):** Until recently used exclusively as a houseplant, it has found its way as a lovely foliage plant for the shady garden. Mixes well with impatiens and begonias to brighten a shady spot in the garden or in mixed containers. Plant in rich, moist soil.

Splash Select Series--Leaves of this dwarf, 8-10" series have large, uniform spots. Available in pink, red and white. (3 and/or 4-pack and usually available in 3" and/or 4" pots with our houseplants)

**HYSSOP:** See Agastache

**ICE PLANT:** See Dorotheanthus

**IMPATIENS AURICOMA (African Impatiens):** The famed yellow impatiens have finally arrived. Plants tend to be quite bushy with bright green, slightly toothed leaves. Flowers are hooded and in shades from yellow through orange and don't look so dissimilar from our native *Impatiens capensis* (Jewelweed). Work very well in containers in rather deep shade where very few yellow-blooming plants grow. Plants may be susceptible to impatiens downy mildew.

Fusion Series--Shell-shaped flowers in shades of yellow and orange held well above the foliage. Perfect for large containers. Well branched and mounding habit. Thrives in full shade. Available in 'Glow' (yellow) and 'Heat' (coral). (5" pot)

**IMPATIENS HAWKERI (New Guinea Impatiens):** Far more sun-tolerant than their cousins, although some shade, especially during the heat of the afternoon, is required. Because they are not susceptible to impatiens downy mildew, many newer types are being bred for shade tolerance to replace *I. wallerianas*. Plant in an area protected from harsh winds. Flowers tend to be larger and the plants tend to be more upright with stiffer stems and larger leaves than the *wallerianas*. Like all impatiens, they prefer rich soil that is moisture-retentive. Plants require a lot of water once they are mature. Space 9-12" apart. Like all impatiens, fertilize minimally. Many varieties have dark or variegated foliage which set off their stunning flowers. **We receive most of our New Guinea selections from various vendors throughout the season based on availability.**

Divine Series--Divine's high resistance to Impatiens Downy Mildew lets you continue to grow quality color for shade landscapes. On beautiful tropical deep green foliage, vivid flowers of reds, violet, etc., mass the plant in uniform mounds in the garden that is shaded or has filtered sun. Plants are very low maintenance, quick to establish and flower well into fall. Excellent in containers. A seed grown variety of New Guinea

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impatiens. 14-16" tall. Available in blue pearl, lavender, lipstick, orange with bronze leaf, orchid, red, violet, white and a 'Mystic' mix. (Giant 6-packs)

Magnum Series--Showing off significantly larger flowers than most New Guinea impatiens, Magnums bear rich colored flowers all spring, summer, and fall. They grow 14 inches tall and 12 inches wide. Available in lavender splash (5" pot)

SunPatiens Series--Transform your garden with easy-to-grow, easy-to-enjoy SunPatiens, the revolutionary new hybrid impatiens that loves the sun as well as the shade and flaunts brilliant flowers from spring to frost. These remarkable annuals represent a breakthrough in breeding: sun-loving, heat-thriving New Guinea impatiens that are tough and will prosper virtually anywhere. Use them in containers, baskets or the garden and you'll be blessed with massive flower power and season-long enjoyment; whether planted in sun or in shade. Available as '**compact types**' and as '**spreading types**' in a large assortment of colors **from outside vendors**. (5" pot and hanging baskets by type)

**IMPATIENS, INTERSPECIFIC HYBRIDS:** Due to the outbreak of impatiens downy mildew almost nation-wide, new impatiens-types are being introduced into the market; combining the disease resistance of many impatiens species into entirely new plants.

Bounce Series--Exciting new shade alternatives offer the habit and flower count of Impatiens walleriana, but they're resistant to downy mildew and thrive in sun and shade. Even better, the well branched plants bounce back like magic after wilt. Grows to 20" tall. Available in bright coral, cherry, 'Pink Flame' (AAS Award Winner), violet and white. (5" pots and hanging baskets)

**IMPATIENS WALLERIANA (Busy Lizzy):** Until recently, impatiens were America's #1 selling bedding plant. They have become the standard in the shade garden and are becoming available in an infinite number of colors. There are many varieties to choose from based on plant form, blossom size, flower patterns, foliage color, heat tolerance, sun tolerance, vigor, etc. and new ones enter the market each year, making the choices even more difficult. They do well both in the garden as well as in containers and hanging baskets. Plants should not be placed outdoors until nighttime temperatures are consistently 50 degrees or above. Soil should be rich and moist. They do best in shade to part shade, although more sun-tolerant varieties are becoming available. Impatiens also make a nice blooming plant during the winter on a bright windowsill. No pruning or deadheading is necessary.

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Accent Series--Early flowering and uniform compact habit. Larger than average flowers. Usually available in a rainbow of colors from outside vendors. 8-10" tall. (4-pack)

Dazzler Series--"Landscape friendly" impatiens series – fill in quickly and are covered with masses of 1.5-in. blooms on rich, green foliage. All the colors come into bloom together and flower freely right up until frost. Usually available in a rainbow of colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Imara Series--Syngenta Flowers is proud to announce the return of impatiens walleriana with the new series, Imara®. Launched in the U.K., Germany, France and the Netherlands, this breakthrough impatiens walleriana is stronger and more resistant to downy mildew than ever before. Available in orange, pink, purple, red, rose, salmon and white. (4-pack)

Super Elfin Series--The most popular series of impatiens on the market. 10-12" tall. Compact and free-flowering with excellent basal branching. One of the best choices for bedding. Excellent in containers and hanging baskets. Usually available in a rainbow of colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Super Elfin Xp Series--Released in 2008 from Ball Seed, the Xp series is an improvement on the standard Super Elfin series with a more uniform habit, increased plant vigor, consistent early flowering and larger blooms. Usually available in a rainbow of colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

**IMPATIENS WALLERIANA, DOUBLE:** Culture is the same as above with a bit more wind protection.

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**Please note:** Due to lack of availability of plugs, any double impatiens we sell will again depend upon the availability of finished product from our wholesalers as the season progresses. We will not know ahead of time what (if anything) is available during any given week. Sorry for any inconvenience.

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**IPOMOEA, FLOWERING (Morning Glory, Moonflower, also see Cardinal Climber and Cypress Vine):** Annual vine. Fast growing climbers with large 4-6" trumpet-shaped blooms. Climbs by spiraling around a support such as twine, a trellis or a fence. Plant in average, well-drained soil after the soil has warmed thoroughly (late May). Grows heart-shaped foliage. Best in full morning sun with a little bit of shade during hot afternoons. Keep well watered. Grows 10-15'.

'Crimson Rambler' (I. tricolor)--This favorite climbing vine bears a vibrant display of bright crimson blossoms with white centers. Grows to 8-15'. Blooms earlier in the season than many types. Self-sows. (4" coir pot)

'Flying Saucers' (I. tricolor)--Large sky-blue flowers that are uniquely striped. The blue shade from the Mt. Fiji mix. (4" coir pot)

Good Morning Series (I. nil)--A morning glory series perfect for hanging baskets and containers. The compact plants stay controlled. Displaying a unique picotee pattern, each bloom is 3-4" across, with a small white rim and white throat. Variegated creamy white and green leaves give added interest. Does well in hot, humid conditions. Available in blue and pink. (4" coir pot)

'Grandpa Ott's' (I. purpurea)--One of the original Bavarian varieties that started Seed Saver's Exchange in Decorah, IA. Beautiful deep purple flower with a red star in its throat. Reliably self-seeds each year. Plants will climb 15' or more, if given support. Blooms earlier and more prolifically than most morning glory types. (4" coir pot)

'Happy Hour Rose'--A perfect choice for hanging baskets with pretty rose-red flowers, each with a white throat, over variegated foliage. Plants climb to 6-9'. Flowering starts at 3'. (4" coir pot)

'Heavenly Blue' (I. tricolor)--Sky blue with a creamy white throat. A classic heirloom. Please note that 'Heavenly Blue' is a very late season bloomer that may not bloom at all if cold weather arrives early in the fall. Blooms in September. (4" coir pot)

Moonflower (I. alba)--Big white flowers, 6-8" across, open in the evening and fill the air with perfume. Grows to 20'. Full sun to part-shade. (4" coir pot)

'Sunrise Serenade' (I. purpurea)--Big and beautiful double flowers highlight this outstanding Imperial Japanese morning glory. Each of the wavy-edged, 2 1/2-3" blooms shows off a rich cherry red color with a contrasting white base. Flowers remain open longer than standard morning glories. (4" coir pot)

**IPOMOEA BATATAS (Sweet Potato Vine):** Grown for their attractive foliage these trailing vines are great choices for trellises, hanging baskets or containers especially in combination with blooming plants. They actually form small, edible sweet potatoes. Keep constantly moist. Best color occurs in full sun. Varieties other than those listed

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below are usually available as the spring season progresses based upon wholesaler availability.

Bright Lights Series--Available in bronze and light green. (5" pot)

SolarTower Series--The first-ever self-climbing Ipomoea! SolarTower climbs very quickly and fills a large pot on a quick turn. Climbing plant is ideal for use with a trellis, as a topiary or on a vertical wall planting. Available in lime. (5" pot)

Sweet Caroline Series--A heavily lobed, vigorous series--in light green and 'Red Hawk' (red foliage). (5" pot)

Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Series--A relatively compact member of the Sweet Caroline series with heart-shaped leaves. Available in jet black. (5" pot)

Sweet Georgia Series--Available in heart-shaped deep purple, light green, purple and splash green. (5" pot)

'Tricolor'--Multi-colored, 3-lobed foliage is heavily weighted in the pink shades (along with green and white). Not at all vigorous as other sweet potato vines. Mounded rather than vining. Also known as 'Pink Frost.' Full sun to part shade. (5" pot)

**IVY:** See Hedera, German Ivy, Glechoma, Senecio or Vinca Vine.

**JASMINE:** Also see Trachelospermum for Star and Confederate Jasmine.

**JEWELS OF OPAR:** See Talinum (n.a. 2020)

**JOHNNY JUMP-UP:** See Viola

**KALE (Ornamental):** See Flowering Kale

**LAMIUM MACULATUM (Spotted Deadnettle):** This very common garden perennial is one of many that can be used in mixed annual containers. The striking foliage and vigorous demeanor works perfectly at the front of large mixed containers. Flowers early in the season. Therefore, use only as a foliar accent for the rest of the season.

'Orchid Frost'--Radiant silver leaves with narrow green margins and very complementary hooded, soft orchid flowers. An unusual, very pretty effect. An eye-catching groundcover even when not in bloom. Grows to 8". Zone 3 hardy. (5" pot)

**LANTANA CAMARA:** An old-fashioned annual related to the mints--obvious by its fragrant foliage. It thrives in hot sun and high temperatures, but does not like to dry out. Flowers all summer and is a magnet for butterflies. Flowers are in clusters at the ends of woody stems. Ideal in containers or in hanging baskets. Some varieties are also

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available as upright standards and priced as marked in 10" pots and merchandised with our tropicals.

**Bandolero Series**--An improvement of the Bandana Series, boasting 30-percent more vigor and size. Available in cherry sunrise. (5" pot)

**Bloomify Series**--The first certified sterile lantana series on the market! Completely sterile, so it won't go out of flower in the heat of summer. Features better branching than the competition. Available in mango (golden coral). (5" pot)

**Hot Blooded Series**--Well-branched, very vigorous and sterile for better blooming in trial beds. Available in red. (5" pot)

**Landmark Series**--A vigorous series that works well in the landscape. Each grows 15-20" tall and spreads up to 2'. Excellent branching and uniform habit. Dark green foliage. Also works well in containers. Available in red, 'Rose Glow', 'Sunrise Rose' (pink with hints of yellow) and yellow. (5" pot)

**Luscious Series**--Known for vibrancy, flower power and exceptional garden performance in hot and dry conditions. Colors within the series range from 10-20" in height. Available in 'Bananarama' (bright yellow), 'Berry Blend' (pink, red, orange and yellow all in one flower), 'Citrus Blend' (orange and yellow shades), 'Goldengate' (golden yellow), 'Marmelade' (yellow orange with yellow highlights) and Pinkberry Blend (pinks, yellows and cream; all in one flower). (5" pot)

**LAURENTIA AXILLARIS, Syn. Isotoma axillaris (Blue Stars):** This terrific native of Australia is finally catching on in American gardens. Plants are well-branched with finely divided leaves. Plants require full sun. The small, star-shaped blooms are usually in shades of pastel blue, pink or white. Most varieties grow to about 1' tall. It may stop flowering during the hottest part of the summer.

'Beth's Blue'--Excellent branching habit results in a globe-shaped plant that will be filled with flowers the entire summer. Flowers are a blue purple. Grows to 12-14". For full sun. (5" pot)

'Patti's Pink'--Excellent branching habit results in a globe-shaped plant that will be filled with flowers the entire summer. Flowers are clear pink. Grows to 12-14". For full sun. (5" pot)

**LICORICE PLANT:** See Helichrysum

**LILY-OF-THE-NILE:** See Agapanthus (n.a. 2020)

**LISIANTHUS, Eustoma grandiflorum (Texas Blue Bell, Prairie Gentian):** A native of the American prairies and Midwest and a must in any cut flower garden. Elegant blooms borne on long stems resemble roses as they unfurl. All, and especially shorter

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varieties, make excellent container plants. Best when staked, especially the double-flowered varieties. Plant in full sun. Loves the heat and humidity of summer. Pinch the tip of the main stem immediately upon planting. A few weeks of bloom time will be lost, but it will pay off with many more flowering stems later. Susceptible to few pests or problems except overwatering. Can be planted quite close because there is little shade-making foliage. Unopened buds will open no further once cut, but will look beautiful in a vase for up to a week!

ABC Series--A consolidated series offers the best of the original Avila, Balboa and Catalina varieties. Outstanding double flower form with high petal count. A fantastic cut flower series. Some colors grow to 36" tall and will need staking. Available in blue rim, misty blue, purple and rose. (Large 6-pack)

Arena Series--A tall, double, cut flower series in a broad range of color choices. Blooms are up to 3" wide and are extremely long lasting in a vase. Plants grow to 30-39" and require staking. We offer this variety in gold and red. (Large 6-pack)

Echo Series--100% fully-double, 3 1/2" blooms, freely produced on uniform 22" plants. Excellent cut flowers! Available in blue, champagne, lavender, pink, white and yellow. (Large 6-pack)

Mariachi Series--Striking double flowers on strong stems. Use for cutting. Grows to 20-36". Available in lime green, misty blue and misty pink. (Large 6-pack)

Rosita Series--The standard in double flowered blooms with thick petals, top flowering and strong stems. Enjoy the excellent vase life with these medium-sized, rose shaped flowers and more useable buds. Available in purple and sapphire. (Large 6-pack)

**LOBELIA ERINUS:** Ideal for beds, edging, containers, baskets, rock gardens and terraces. Does best in part-shade, but will tolerate a full east sun or during cooler times of the year. Space 4-6" for good cover. Keep the soil moist. Tends to burn out during hot summers. To achieve the best flowering, reduce the watering after the first blooms appear. Most grow about 5" tall. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

'Crystal Palace'--Brilliant, deep blue, dainty blooms smother these dwarf, compact, yet upright plants. Bronze-green foliage (more bronze the more sun). A very old and popular variety. (4-pack)

Laguna Series--Far more heat-tolerant than seed varieties. 8-12" plants with huge blooms and a compact habit. Gorgeous in hanging baskets. Available in dark blue, sky blue and white. (5" pot)

Regatta Series--A very early blooming trailing series. Usually available in 'Sapphire' (blue flowers with white eyes and cascading bronze foliage), midnight blue, rose, sky blue, white and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

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Riviera Series--A unique early-flowering variety with a bushy habit. Good landscape performance. An upright lobelia. Usually available in shades of blue, white and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Techno Heat Series--Exceptional heat tolerance for a lobelia! Will flower throughout the summer. Very well branched. Available in dark blue, electric blue, light blue, violet and white. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

Techno Heat Upright Series--Exceptional heat tolerance for a lobelia! Will flower throughout the summer. Very well branched. Has an upright then trailing habit. Available in blue and cobalt blue. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**LOBULARIA:** See Alyssum

**LOPHOSPERMUM ERUBESCENS (Creeping Gloxinia):** Originating from the Mexican mountains, lophospermum is a genus spanning eight species and is deciduous and evergreen – perennial climbers and shrubs from the slopes of North and Central America. It has been cultivated as an ornamental plant since at least 1830. Although not frost-hardy, it will survive if its base and roots are protected from freezing in the winter; therefore very easy to winter over. This marvelous vine blooms early and continues through most of the year. Trumpet-shaped flowers and grapevine leaves bring elegance to hanging baskets and patio containers. Attracts hummingbirds.

Lofos Series--Compact yet vigorous floriferous hybrid variety with lovely rose tubular blooms. The vining plants reach to just 2'; very unlike the aggressively vining species. Plants are self-cleaning so no deadheading is required. Available in compact rose and white. (5" pot)

**LOTUS MACULATUS (Lotus Vine, Parrot's Beak)--**A spreading, trailing component plant with soft, silvery foliage. Flowers resemble tiny Birds-of-Paradise. Excellent in baskets, window boxes and mixed containers. Foliage is evergreen-like. Plant in full sun.

'Parrot's Beak'--As above with yellow flowers tipped orange. Requires cool temps to bloom so makes a great foliage edging plant where flowers aren't needed. Same growth habit as above. (5" pot)

**LYSIMACHIA CHRISTIANIAE (Dense-flowered Loosestrife):** A perennial evergreen plant, which grows in a tropical climate. The whole plant is sparsely pubescent. The stems are soft and weak, prostrate. The leaves, calyx and corolla are covered by black dots and stripes. The leaves are opposite, ovate or cordate. The length of petiole and leaves is approximately the same. The flowering period is in summer. Source plant of the Chinese herbal extract Jin Qian Cao.

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'Sunburst'--This plant was built for hanging baskets! A very vigorous lysimachia with large, dark green leaves marked with red veins and stems. Despite the vigor, this plant plays well with others and just trails straight down, making a lush accent to the rest of the combination. As a bonus, the plants are loaded with large yellow, star-shaped blooms in late summer and autumn. Just 2-4" tall but spreads to 2 feet. (5" pot)

**LYSIMACHIA CONGESTIFLORA (Dense-flowered Loosestrife):** *Lysimachia congestiflora* (sometimes commonly called golden globes) is a mat-forming perennial that grows to only 4" tall but spreads in the garden to 12" wide or more forming a floriferous ground cover. Ovate to lance-shaped medium green leaves (to 2" long) are opposite or in whorls. Cup-shaped yellow flowers (to 3/4") bloom in dense terminal clusters from spring to late summer. Synonymous with *L. procumbens*. Native to China.

'Midnight Sun'--The purplish chocolate foliage is covered with golden bell like flowers in spring. Great on slopes or container gardening. Grows 2" tall and spreads. Likes sun to part shade. (5" pot)

*Variegata*--A cheerful groundcover, rock garden or container plant with charming bright yellow flowers all through the season. Very low-maintenance and it grows quickly to form a spreading mat of green and gold foliage. Sure to bring bees and butterflies to the garden. Yellow flowers early in the season. (5" pot)

**LYSIMACHIA NUMMULARIA (Creeping Jenny):** This fantastic, creeping perennial for the shady to semi-shady garden is equally versatile in containers, window boxes and mixed hanging baskets. Though it blooms (small yellow flowers) only in the spring, the foliage adds interest all season long. At season's end, container plants can be added to the front edge of the wooded perennial garden. Plants grow nearly flat to the ground at only 4" tall, but mixed among other plants, stems will grow up and through it's neighbors then cascade. Stems root wherever they touch the soil. Never allow to completely dry out or expose it to hot afternoon sun. **Though the invasive plain green species is now banned from Wisconsin gardens**, the non-aggressive golden and chartreuse cultivars are still readily available.

'Goldie' (Syn. *Goldii*)--Until recently used exclusively as a hardy perennial groundcover. Now often used as a cascading component plant for both semi-sunny and shady areas. Has shiny, round chartreuse leaves with yellow flowers in the late spring. Creeping, growing only 4" tall. Looks particularly nice when mixed with oranges, reds, blues and bronze. (5" pot)

'Goldilocks'--See 'Goldie' above. (5" pot)

**MALABAR SPINACH, *Basella rubra*:** A fun, fast growing and gorgeous annual vine. Because it grows so quickly, it's a great choice to cover a trellis or an arbor. Interesting lavender flowers appear in late summer. Malabar spinach is not only beautiful, but completely edible. The large, glossy leaves can be used fresh in salads or added to mixed green sautes and soups. The tender stems and flowers are also edible. Will

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easily grow to 12-20' in a single summer. Unlike real spinach, malabar thrives on heat and humidity. For full sun. (4" coir pot)

**MANDEVILLA (assorted species):** A stunning tropical vine that will coat an entire trellis in one summer. It is frost tender so needs to be overwintered indoors near a bright south or west window. It is easy to care for and does not like to dry out completely. Fertilize regularly. Lovely in large hanging baskets, but will need additional support over which to grow. Does best planted in a large container next to a trellis or arbor. Usually available in pink, red, white and/or yellow. Available in assorted pot sizes and baskets, all priced as marked. Also see Dipladenia for Mandevilla sanderi.

'Alice du Pont' (M. x amabilis)--Twining vine displays unusual trumpet-like flowers, ice pink with darker pink throat. Each flower lasts for several days. A lovely choice for a trellis or arbor. Can grow to 15' on one summer.

Sun Parasol Series--See Dipladenia

Tropical Breeze Series--A strong vining series with shorter internodes allowing for more controlled trellis, hanging basket or container gardening. Flowers are earlier than most series and abundant. Available in blushing pink.

**MANETTIA BICOLOR (Candy Corn or Firecracker Vine):** A member of the same flower family that includes pentas and coffee. A fast-growing, twining climber. It has broad, shiny, ovate leaves and tubular flowers that are bright red at the base and yellow at the tip. Does best in part shade. Excellent as a trailing container component and does well in hanging baskets. Can grow to 6'. (5" pot)

**MANETTIA LUTEORUBRA (Brazilian Firecracker Vine):** A member of the same flower family that includes pentas and coffee. A fast-growing, twining climber. It has broad, shiny, ovate leaves. Tubular, one-to-two-inch bright red flowers explode from the light to dark green foliage in mid- to late summer. Underused and hard to find. Does best in part shade. Excellent as a trailing container component and does well in hanging baskets. Can grow to 6'.

'John Elsley'--Flowers are larger than the species and primarily red. (5" pot)

**MARIGOLD, *Tagetes erecta* (African), *patula* (French), *tenuifolia* (signet) and *anisata* (sweet mace):** Marigolds are among the most popular annuals and among the easiest to grow. There are two types of marigolds: African (or American) and French. French marigolds are free-flowering, trouble free plants excellent for bedding, edging or containers. They are shorter and bushier. Flowers can be double or single and are available in all the marigold colors including red. African marigolds are taller and best used in backgrounds and borders. They take longer to bloom and do not have red in their color range. Flowers can be up to 4" across. There are now also triploids, which are a combination of the two. Marigolds thrive in full sun in average garden soil. Deadheading is necessary to keep a neat appearance. Almost all marigolds have a

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distinctive, pungent fragrance. Tall varieties make great cut flowers. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Disco Series--French. Early and free-flowering, 10-12" marigolds produce 2-2 1/2", single blooms. Has an extended bloom season. Usually available in a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

'Fireball'--French. Three different flower shades on one plant! The buds burst open to first reveal a cluster of deep-red petals; these then take on shades of fiery bronze, and finally turn a lovely rusty orange, giving the look of three different colored blooms on the same plant. Grows to about 12" tall. (4-pack)

Gem Series--Signata type. Many small, single flowers on 10-12" plants. Unique fragrant, lacy foliage. Wonderful in salads. Available in lemon yellow, red and a mix. (4-pack and/or large 6-pack by color)

Inca II Series--African. Remains covered with huge 4-5" flowers all summer long. Flowers are fully-double, solidly packed, appear early and keep going until the first hard frost. Plants are very appealing at 14-18" tall with handsome, rich green foliage. Very heat resistant. Probably our most-requested marigold. Usually available in orange, yellow and mixes from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Janie Series--French. Crested blossoms are 1 1/2-1 3/4" in diameter. Very uniform in habit and remains short at 6-10". Very early and well-adapted to warm weather. Usually available in deep orange, 'Flame', gold, primrose yellow, 'Spry' and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Lady Series--Large 3-4 in. double, carnation flowered blooms. Good weather tolerance and uniform growth habit. 16-18" tall. Usually available in orange, yellow and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Safari Series--French. Extra-large blooms enhance this 10-12" series. Usually available in 'Bolero', gold, red, tangerine, yellow, yellow 'Fire' and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

'Strawberry Blond'--French. A breeding break through has created a new French marigold with flowers in totally unique russet tones; bringing pink shades to the marigold color palette for the very first time. Great as a 'mixer' but it truly comes into its own when planted en masse in drifts or blocks. 10" tall. (4-pack)

Taishan Series--African. A fantastic newer series that is very thick stemmed and extremely well-branched. Plants hold up very well in the landscape and were featured at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. Flowers are very large and consistently double and hold up very well during periods of adverse weather. This may be the perfect marigold! 10-12" tall. Usually available in gold, orange, yellow and a mix from outside vendors. (3-pack)

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'Vanilla'--African. A refreshing departure from the conventional marigold orange and yellow, here's a milky colored morsel. Vanilla's subtle shade blends beautifully with its marigold cousins and equally well with pastel and jewel tone flowers. Sturdy plants grow a bushy 16 inches tall and 10 inches wide, providing lasting color in the landscape and planters. Usually available from outside vendors. (4-pack)

### **MECARDONIA HYBRIDS:**

'GoldDust'--Small green leaves are covered with yellow nemesia-like flowers from May through October, excellent heat tolerance and no deadheading necessary. Very low maintenance. Habit is trailing so a great spiller for container edges. Grows to just 2-5" tall. For full sun. (5" pot)

**MEXICAN HEATHER:** See Cuphea

**MEXICAN SUNFLOWER:** See Tithonia

'MEZOO': See Dorotheanthus

**MILKWEED (Annual):** See Asclepias

**MILLET, ORNAMENTAL:** See Pennisetum.

**MILLION BELLS:** See Calibrachoa.

**MINA LOBATA, syn. Ipomoea lobata, (Spanish Flag, Firecracker Vine):** A close relative to morning glories, though they look nothing like each other. Flowers are produce on thin, red-stemmed, arching sprays.

'Jungle Queen'--A robust annual vine that grows up to 12 ft. or more in a single season, producing blooms in shades of crimson orange to yellow. For full sun. (4" coir pot)

**MIRABILIS:** See Four O'clocks

**MOONFLOWER:** See Ipomoea (vine) or Datura (bushy and super fragrant)

**MORNING GLORY:** See Ipomoea

**MOSQUITO PLANT, CITRONELLA, Pelargonium citrosum and/or P. citron crispum:** Types of scented geraniums which apparently repel mosquitoes when the leaves are bruised or the juice from the crushed leaves is rubbed over the skin. Like all geraniums, the mosquito plant requires full to partial sunlight. Ideal if transplanted to an 8" pot or larger. The soil surface must be allowed to dry out between waterings. Fertilize regularly. Easy to keep over winter indoors in a sunny window. Grows to 24". Ideal for containers. Has insignificant flowers during early summer. There are three or

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more different scented geranium varieties that are referred to as 'mosquito plants'. True citronella oil is produced from lemon eucalyptus and has been found far more effective at repelling mosquitoes than the geranium types. (5' pot and/or 4 1/2" square perennial pot)

**MOSQUITO PLANT 'Mosquito Shocker' (*Pelargonium crispum*):** A type of scented geranium which apparently repels mosquitoes when the leaves are bruised or the juice from the crushed leaves is rubbed over the skin. Like all geraniums, the mosquito plant requires full to partial sunlight. Ideal if transplanted to an 8" pot or larger. The soil surface must be allowed to dry out between waterings. Fertilize regularly. Easy to keep over winter indoors in a sunny window. Grows to 24" Ideal for containers. Has insignificant flowers during early summer. Similar to Citronella but with a musky rather than lemon scent. (5" pot)

**MOSS ROSE:** See Portulaca

**MUEHLENBECKIA axillaris (Wire Vine):** Creeping wire vine is a low-growing, twining plant that originated in Australia and New Zealand. The small, dark-green leaves and reddish or brownish stems remain attractive throughout the season. Creeping wire vine is an uncommon garden plant that can grow equally well as a houseplant, in an outdoor container, or as a mat-forming ground cover. It's often found in terrarium and fairy garden plant mixes. Muehlenbeckia grows only 2 to 6 inches tall. Wire vine will be happiest growing in full sun or partial shade. Well-drained soil is a must. (5" pot)

**MUSA (Banana Tree):** Easy to grow tropical that does equally well as a houseplant, in the border or in containers. Due to our hot, humid summers, they actually grow quite quickly, but need to be brought indoors before killing frost. Some varieties can grow up to 12' in a single summer. Protection from strong winds is essential so foliage doesn't shred. Prefers humus-rich moist soil in full sun. To store, simply cut off the foliage in the fall--before frost--leaving the growing spike intact. If planted in the garden, dig up and store the uprooted plant in moist peat moss in a warm basement. Keep dryish through the winter, increasing watering by mid-February. Replant into the garden in late May or after the soil has thoroughly warmed. Container specimens simply need to be brought in and stored, or allowed to grow as a houseplant in a bright, warm location. Bananas are heavy feeders so fertilize often. Will not produce bananas if grown outdoors in the northern states! Also see Ensete.

'Dwarf Cavendish', aka 'Tropicana'--One of the most popular varieties available and one that may fruit if kept in a warm, tropical environment year round. Large, green foliage may be patterned in dark red. Grows to only 6-7'. (5 or 6" pot)

**NASTURTIUM, *Tropaeolum majus*:** All parts are edible--the leaves giving a peppery flavor to salads. The flowers less so, but adding a lot of color. Very easy to grow and excellent for children. Plants do best while the weather is cool and thrive in poor, sandy, dry soil for best flowering. Do not fertilize. Blooms are trumpet-shaped, 2" across and

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come in warm shades of orange, yellow, apricot, red and rose. Plant in full sun to part-shade. Plants tend to tumble rather than growing upright. Ideal for beds, hanging baskets and containers.

Alaska Mix--Unique green and white variegated foliage with brilliant colored, single 2" flowers in yellow, crimson, orange, salmon and cherry on 10-15" plants. Compact plants. (4" coir pot)

'Jewel Mix'--These easy-to-grow plants produce colorful double blooms in light yellow, orange and deep red, and bloom until frost. A nice 15-18 inch, compact nasturtium for smaller yards and flower boxes. (4" coir pot)

Peach Melba--Beautiful bright cream colored blooms with maroon dots. Flowers are held above the grey-green foliage. Uniform and compact plants that are nontrailing. Flower and leaves are edible. (4" coir pot)

**NEMESIA FRUTICANS:** An intriguing annual that looks a bit like an edging lobelia but with larger flowers and a wider range of flower colors. It forms a low, mounding plant of narrow green leaves that are usually hidden by masses of somewhat orchid-like flowers. They have a curious, tubular shape, with a hidden spur at the back and two lips of often contrasting color. The effect of nemesia in bloom is spectacular, as long as cooler temperatures can be provided. Cool nights are especially vital for this South Africa native to do well. Avoid hot afternoon sun to prolong bloom time. Prune back by 1/3 after initial flush of bloom. Excellent in containers and especially beautiful in the woodland garden.

Aromance 'Pink'--Color up your spring and fall baskets and planters with Aromance™ Pink Nemesia. This cool weather loving annual features bright bicolored pink blooms with a yellow eye. Standing 12-18 inches tall and wide, this upright annual is a great filler for your combinations. (5" pot)

'Blue Bird'--Dainty, intense-blue flowers with a yellow-white center. Very good bushy, upright habit. Flowering begins early and lasts the whole summer. Grows 10-16". (5" pot)

Innocence Series--The most fragrant series of nemesia with an aroma similar to lilacs which intensifies in summer heat. The series is heat and cold tolerant. Excellent mixed in containers or in the landscape. Grows 8-12" tall. For morning full sun to part shade. Available in 'Opal Innocence'--Flower color appears to change from iridescent pink to light purple depending on how the light hits it. (5" pot)

**NEMESIA STRUMOSA:** An intriguing annual that looks a bit like an edging lobelia but with larger flowers and a wider range of flower colors. It forms a low, mounding plant of narrow green leaves that are usually hidden by masses of somewhat orchid-like flowers. They have a curious, tubular shape, with a hidden spur at the back and two lips of often contrasting color. The effect of nemesia in bloom is spectacular, as long as cooler

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Sunsatia--A heat-tolerant, large-flowered nemesia, that blooms almost nonstop. Use in beds, containers or hanging baskets. 10-16" tall. Available in Blood Orange (combo of red, orange and yellow) and Lemon (bright yellow). (5" pot)

**NEW GUINEA IMPATIENS:** See Impatiens hawkeri

**NICOTIANA (Flowering Tobacco):** A very old-fashioned and fragrant garden favorite. Fragrance is especially strong in the evening although modern hybrids devote more energy in flower size, color and the fact that they stay open all day, rather than the fragrance. Blossoms are star-shaped and perform all summer long. Performs best in fertile, well-drained, moist soil and tolerant of a bit of shade. Fertilize regularly and deadhead spent blooms. A native of South America and a close relative of petunias, nicotianas are hummingbird magnets.

Daylight Sensation Mix--A brilliant color range with many new colors. Blooms remain open all day on 3' plants. (4-pack)

'Lemon Tree' (N. langsdorfii)--Well-known green flowering nicotiana for tall borders. This species from Brazil and Chile produces lovely apple-green blooms that add a unique splash of color to any garden. The long sprays of flowers are great for arranging. Grows to 3-5'. (3-pack)

'Only the Lonely' (Nicotiana sylvestris)--Makes an impressive statement in the garden! Towers above all other plants in the border. Large rosettes of bright green leaves 2' long and up to a foot across develop tall bloom stalks that bear clusters of fragrant, white, drooping, tubular flowers 3 1/2" long and 1 1/2" across at the mouth. Blooms open in the early evening and bear a rich jasmine-like perfume. Blooms late summer till frost. Height 48-60". Partial shade. (3-pack)

Perfume Series--Produces an abundance of 2" blooms held upright above the 16-20" plants--the flowers are highly scented at night. Beautiful in the landscape or in containers. Available in deep purple (a 2006 AAS Winner), a mix and other colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

'Tinkerbell' (Nicotiana x sanderae)--Ideal for adding height and interest to the garden, flowering over a very long period. At 36" tall, this flowering tobacco has clusters of flowers with dusky rose petals, lime green backs and unusual azure pollen in the center of each flower. For a sunny spot with well-drained soil. (3-pack)

**Other varieties:** Usually other varieties and colors become available to us from outside vendors including; 'Appleblossom', lime green, purple shades and mixes.

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**NONG NOCH VINE:** See *Petraeovitex bambusetorum*

**OLEANDER, *Nerium oleander***--A very long-lived and easy-to-grow subtropical shrub native from the Mediterranean to China. Lance-shaped leaves are long, narrow and leathery. Plants are commonly grown in the landscape throughout the southern United States. In the north, they make an excellent container specimen, but must be moved indoors at season's end to a very bright and cool location. Leaf drop may occur, similar to a ficus tree. Flowers can be single or double and range from white to pink, lavender, purple, red and apricot. Flowers can be lightly fragrant and are usually about 2" across. Plants can grow to 4-6' in containers. Best grow in full and hot sun for best blooming. Water sparingly during the winter months. All parts are highly toxic if ingested and the sap is a skin irritant so care should be taken around children and pets. (10" pot)

**OREGANO, ORNAMENTAL:** See *Origanum*

**ORIGANUM ROTUNDIFOLIUM (Ornamental Oregano):** Rhizomatous, woody-based subshrub with blue-green leaves. Throughout summer, produces nodding, hop-like whorls of tubular pink flowers among pale green bracts. Native to the Eastern Mediterranean. Requires very well-drained soil in a warm and sunny location. The species grows to 4-10" tall.

'Amethyst Falls'--Masses of hop-like, bright pink blooms with chartreuse flower bracts. Lightly scented, gray green foliage. Blooms July to October. Grows up to 15" tall. (3 1/2" pot)

'Kirigami'--The perfect patio plant, this eye-catching, non-culinary oregano features large purple-green bracts, rose flowers and clear, light green foliage, with a delicious fragrance to attract pollinators. Dense, mounded, slightly trailing plant has a tighter and fuller habit than standard vegetative varieties. Perfect for hanging baskets, or in borders and rock gardens; can also be dried for use in dried flower arrangements. Mounded habit at 8-10" tall. (5" pot)

**ORNAMENTAL CABBAGE AND KALE:** See Flowering Cabbage & Flowering Kale

**ORNAMENTAL CORN:** See *Zea*

**ORNAMENTAL MILLET:** See *Pennisetum*

**ORNAMENTAL OREGANO:** See *Origanum*

**OSTEOSPERMUM HYBRIDS (African Daisy):** Grown for their beautiful, daisy-like flowers. Foliage is a medium green and toothed. Blooms best during cool summers and again during the fall. Plant in borders or in pots in full sun. They are very drought tolerant, but require moister soil when grown in containers. Deadhead regularly to promote flowering.

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4D Series--An improvement on the 3D series while still maintaining the double centers that keep the flowers open all the time. The flowers on these osteospermum are truly two flowers in one, with the bottom layer exhibiting a traditional osteospermum which is then capped with a secondary frilly flower on top. Plants are very compact at 8-12" tall. Available in violet ice. (5" pot)

Bright Lights Series--The bright daisy-like flowers of 'Bright Lights' appear all season long on mounded plants. Its heat tolerance is greater than older cultivars but it also retains its tolerance to cool temperatures, making it a versatile annual. 12" tall and wide. Available in 'Berry Rose', 'Double Moonglow' (semi-double flowers adorned with creamy-yellow petals surrounding a pompom of buttery-yellow florets), purple and yellow. (5" pot)

Voltage Series--A unique series that will stop traffic. It's the first osteospermum to bloom in the spring and the last one to bloom in the fall. Flower stems are long and flexible. Excellent in hanging baskets and mixed containers. Full, well-branched and compact. Very nice in the landscape. 10-16" tall. Available in white. (5" pot)

### **OXALIS SILIQUOSA, syn. O. vulcanicola (Hybrid Wood Sorrel):**

'Molten Lava'--In low light the foliage is chartreuse, in sunnier locations it's golden yellow--either way, highlighted by a touch of red. Sterile yellow flowers all summer. Grows 8-10". (5" pot)

'Zinfandel'--A new and exotic beauty with extra dark purple, clover-like leaves. Yellow flowers appear all summer and are a bold contrast to the dark foliage. 8-10" tall. Full sun to part shade. (5" pot)

**PANSY x WITTROCKIANA:** Long a standard in most spring gardens, pansies are now appearing in the fall garden, blooming long after the first frosts have killed most garden annuals. Excellent in containers and mass plantings. Traditionally pansies burned out with the onset of summer heat, but new hybrids have become extremely heat-tolerant and will bloom summer-long during rare cool, damp summers. Blossoms are edible and taste faintly of wintergreen. Grow in moist soil, rich in humus in part-shade. Plants grow only 4-6" tall. Space about 8". Available again in August for fall sales including winter hardy varieties. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Blueberry Thrill'--These compact, 6" plants show off beautiful, 2.5" flowers in a rich combination of blue, white and yellow with a blotch. (4-pack)

Cool Wave Series--Originally introduced as the Plentifall Series, this series has been upgraded and renamed. Vigorous trailing variety. Extremely well branched. Incredibly unique, novelty baskets (trailing up to 30 in.) make eye-catching display. Holds up in the rain and weather better than larger flowered types. Available in 'Blue Skies' (a

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whiskered sky blue), golden yellow, 'Morpho' (blue and yellow combo), Raspberry Swirl and a mix. (Available in giant 6-packs)

Delta and Delta Premium Series--A very early spring flowering series. Large flowering, compact and spreading. Holds its flowers upright on sturdy, short stems. Heat and stress tolerant. Selection changes based on availability, but includes: blue with blotch, red, red with blotch, violet, violet & white, yellow, yellow with blotch and a few mixes. (4-pack)

Frizzle Sizzle Series--One of the rare pansies that offer an attractive frilly flower form. Stronger ruffling occurs in cool conditions. Available in lemonberry (yellow petals, edged in lavender). (4-pack)

Matrix Series--A new very well-branched and compact variety that is very uniform among the colors. Large flowers are held beautifully strong on short stems. Selection changes based on availability. (4-pack)

Ultima Series--Dwarf plants with small leaves and good basal branching, growing just 6" tall. Upward-facing 2-2 1/2" flowers show good cold and heat resistance. Selection changes based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

**PASSIFLORA HYBRIDS:** A huge family of vining plants native to the tropics and subtropics. Plants cling to structures with tendrils, not by twining. Flowers are usually huge and quite intricate and oftentimes very fragrant. Many produce edible fruits. Older varieties tend to flower with the cooler, shorter days at the end of summer, but newer cultivars can bloom nearly year round, given enough light and proper temperatures. An easy-to-grow plant both indoors and outside. Passiflora caerulea is actually hardy in the Madison area if sited properly and with some protection, especially near the foundation of a house. Choices are endless. A good mail order source is Logee's Greenhouses, located in Danielson, CT. In addition to the varieties listed below, we usually carry a nice assortment in 10" pots on a trellis.

'Aphrodite's Purple Nightie'--This prolific blooming passion vine, a sterile cultivar, bears showy lilac-purple flowers along its spreading stems of lush green foliage starting in mid-spring and continuing throughout summer. A vigorous grower, it performs well in full sun to part shade, in moist but well-drained, fertile soil. It needs adequate space to grow and looks great trained to a trellis or fence where its stems can reach 4 to 12 feet in length. (6" pot)

'Blue Bahama'--A Danish variety with gorgeous blue and green-white flowers. A tried and true variety sure to please. (6" pot)

'Lavender Lady'--A great Passion Vine with deep blue-green three lobed leaves and 4 inch wide flowers composed of lavender petals that are darkest toward the tips and nearly white in the center that surround the erect stamens and filaments that are different shades of purple. (6" pot)

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**PASSION FLOWER, PASSION VINE:** See Passiflora

**PENNISETUM GLAUCUM (Ornamental Millet):** A rather new addition to the flower garden with the addition of AAS Winner 'Purple Majesty' a few years ago. Millet provides strong structure to beds and containers. Cattail-like seed heads provides interest from late summer well into winter and are a great addition to both fresh and dried arrangements as well as a magnet for hungry birds in the garden. Corn-like foliage is bold and colorful. Must be grown in full sun for best color. Young plants tend to be green, turning color as the season progresses.

'Purple Baron'--An ideal choice for mixed containers. This compact yet robust variety grows to only 3'--about 2/3 the height of 'Purple Majesty', but with the same gorgeous dark purple foliage and large, thick flower spikes. (5" pot)

**PENSTEMON BARBATUS (Beardlip Penstemon):** Recent additions to the "annual" flower garden, most of the beardlips are actually short-lived Zone 5 or 6 perennials. They are native to the United States and Central America, occurring primarily from the Great Plains through the Rocky Mountains. Plants tend to be upright and bushy with many lance-shaped leaves. Flowers are tubular, with lips on the top and on the bottom. New cultivars bloom far longer than the species and the flowers have been bred to be larger and very colorful. They have also been bred to branch well, giving more blooms and extending the season. Grow in full sun and be careful of overwatering. If used in containers, plant into the garden at the end of the season and mulch during the winter.

Cha Cha Series--Bred for a more compact size with increased hardiness, while maintaining durability and an extremely long bloom period. A real stand out in the garden, or showy in a combo. It can be seen easily from a football fields distance. Healthy and vigorous. Loved by hummingbirds. Grows to 18-20". Available in cherry and lavender. (5" pot)

'Pristine Blue'--An upright clumping beardtongue with large sturdy stems that are stacked with tubular sapphire-blue flowers in summer. Foliage is glossy. A vigorous grower loved by hummingbirds! 14-20" tall. Hardy to Zone 5. (5" pot)

**PENTAS LANCEOLATA (Egyptian Star Flower):** Relatively new for northern gardeners, long a staple in the South. Bright star-shaped flowers love the heat and humidity. Foliage is a rich deep green that always looks great. Flowers are in large, rounded clusters and are butterfly magnets. Great container plants. Full sun. Size and spread depends on variety. Keep soil evenly moist. A great substitute for the customer who doesn't like geraniums because plants have a similar appearance and are available in the same shades of red, pink, violet and white. Native to eastern Africa, Arabia and Madagascar.

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Falling Star Series--A brand new type of pentas with a trailing habit. This is a breeding breakthrough! It will look great in hanging baskets and combinations. Available in hot pink, pink bicolor, red, rose and white. Grows to just 8-10" tall, but spreads to 2'. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Glitterati Series--Unique star pattern is distinctly different and is best enjoyed close up. Plant along pathways or use in mixed combos to create your own custom look. Available in purple star. (Large 6-pack)

Graffiti--Compact and bushy series blooms early and very uniformly, producing brightly colored mounds of flower heads. Taller than 'New Look' producing larger florets and flower heads. Secondary flower heads retain the larger size. Very free-flowering, 10-12" tall plants make long-lasting displays in baskets, planters and landscapes. Very well-branched. Available in bright red, 'Flirty' pink, pink, violet and white. (Large 6-pack)

'Ruby Glow'--Large clusters of rosy red flowers atop bright green foliage. A taller variety at 18-24". (5" pot)

Starcluster Series--A uniformly blooming series with huge flower clusters on sturdy, well-branched plants. More vigorous than most pentas varieties. Quite tall at 22". Makes an excellent cut flower. Available in lavender, red, rose and white. (5" pot)

Sunstar Series--A new series from Proven Winners in 2020. Large clusters of flowers on dark green foliage, heat and humidity tolerant plants are great all summer bloomers. 18-22" tall. Available in lavender, pink, red and rose. (5" pot)

**PEPPERS, ORNAMENTAL, *Capsicum annuum*:** One of the rare annuals with truly attractive fruits, ornamental pepper is a startlingly beautiful plant, yet all too often relegated to the vegetable garden. They are shrubby plants with simple, mid-green leaves (deep purple or variegated on some cultivars) and small, pendant, star-shaped flowers that are usually white, but sometimes purple. The flowers are followed by fruits, which usually start out green and pass through several colors before maturing to their final shade of orange, red, yellow, purple or chocolate brown. Heights can range from 8-36", depending on variety, and some are sprawling--wider than they are tall. Excellent in containers. Need full sun. Fruits are always edible with varying degrees of heat, but most tend to be quite hot.

'Black Hawk'--A compact plant with small ornamental peppers in black that change to fire red. Use in containers or any place you want some dark contrast. A 2016 AAS Winner. Just 12" tall. (5" pot)

'Black Pearl'--A 2006 AAS Winner! A unique ornamental pepper with pure black leaves and fruit when grown in full sun. Vigorous, upright plants grow to 18". Gorgeous in containers with other mixed annuals. Peppers are fiery hot! (5" pot)

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'Hot Pops Purple'--Small, round peppers of both purple and orange simultaneously make a high-impact display for outdoor and indoor decorating. Compact, heavily branched plants. Grows to just 6" tall. (5" pot)

'Harlequin'--Multi-colored, oblong fruits on extremely compact plants at just 8" tall. Beautiful on their own in small pots. (5" pot)

Mardi Gras Fun Series--The perfect snack-sized peppers feature eye-catching colors that beg to be eaten. The Mardi Gras Series offers four colors that can be grown together in one large container for a fun patio display. They are well matched in habit and timing across all colors. Plants continuously produce sweet, snackable peppers that offer the best flavor when their full color is achieved. We are carrying purple and red. 18-30" tall. (3-pack)

'Masquerade'--This variety produces dense upright clusters of very showy flame shaped fruit that emerge green, then progress to purple, yellow, orange, and finally to red when they mature; a stunning color display for hot, sunny locations. Good for use in containers and gardens. 10-12" tall. (5" pot)

'Midnight Fire'--Distinctive dark black foliage accented by purple fruit which mature bright red. 9-12" tall. (5" pot)

Snack Series--Beautifully colored small 1 1/2-2" peppers on stocky plants. Of course both edible and beautiful. Grows to about 12-14" tall so lovely on their own in containers. Available in orange, red and yellow. (3-pack)

'Wicked'--Compact plants (6-8") show extra-large fruit that starts purple and matures to red. Fruit is mildly hot. (5" pot)

**PERILLA FRUTESCENS (Shiso, Beefsteak Plant):** Also called Chinese basil, perilla is a fantastic ornamental edible. Leaves have a mild mint/basil aroma. Use young leaves in salads and large leaves as sushi wraps and plate garnishes. There are many varieties available and all are lovely in the border or mixed annual containers. Grow in full sun to fairly deep shade.

'Tricolor'--Rose and green multicolored leaves; resembles a coleus. An extremely fast and easy to grow annual, prized for its handsome foliage which is scented like cinnamon. Grows to 18-24" tall. (5" pot)

**PERIWINKLE:** See Vinca (Catharanthus), Vinca major and Vinca minor in Perennials

**PETCHOA HYBRIDS:** It was inevitable--combining the growth habit of petunias with the flower form of calibrachoa. These close relatives were destined to become one through hybridization. Excellent garden performance as well as unsurpassed beauty and vigor in hanging baskets and mixed containers. Many past calibrachoa varieties have been recategorized as petchoas. Culture is the same as both petunias and

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calibrachoas. Fertilize regularly, using an acid fertilizer with every third watering to prevent yellowing and woody stems. Pinch as needed to encourage branching and longer flowering. More weather tolerant than standard petunias. Flowering is virtually nonstop. For full sun (of course) and plants generally grow to about a foot tall.

SuperCal Series--Stunning flower colors on floriferous plants. Available in 'Artist' Rose, blue, lavender star, neon rose, purple and 'Snowberry' white. 10-12" tall. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

SuperCal Premium Series--Offers the same excellent performance as SuperCal, with larger flowers, an improved habit and a more mounded, refined growth. Available in Bordeaux (rich red), Caramel Yellow, Cinnamon (orange, yellow and pink all in one bloom), French Vanilla (creamy white with a yellow center) and Sunray (bright pink with yellow center). 14-20" tall. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**PETRAEOVITEX BAMUSATOREM (Nong Noch Vine):** An extremely easy-to-grow climber that blooms all summer and even into winter if brought indoors at summer's end. Golden yellow bracts and creamy white flowers form at the tips of its stems and cascade to sometimes 2' in length! A truly awesome sight. Allow to grow on a trellis or scramble up any support. For full sun to part shade. Achieves a container height of up to 4'. (5" pot and or hanging baskets)

**PETUNIA HYBRIDS:** This most popular annual is famous for its dependability and variety of color. Plant in the garden when the soil is warm, usually late May. Prefers a well-drained, light sandy soil. Space about 12" in full sun; shade discourages flowering. Pinching of the blossoms is necessary for most varieties. Pinch 1/3 of the growing tips each week for continuous blooms all summer and well into fall. Many are very fragrant, especially in the evening and especially the blue shades. Water moderately and fertilize often. Use an acid fertilizer periodically for best results.

Petunias are divided into categories:

Millifloras--A newer class of early, miniature flowered petunias, best represented by the 'Fantasy' and 'Picobella' series. We no longer carry these types. They are covered in blooms all season.

Multiflora/Floribundas--Generally better garden performers than the more popular grandifloras. Flower size is smaller, but what they lack in size, they make up for in vigor and profusion of blooms. They also tend to recover better in rainy weather. Best represented by the 'Madness' series--our most popular bedding petunias.

Grandifloras-- Blossoms are up to 4" across. Blooms early. Plants tend to be less compact, therefore requiring more pinching. Losing popularity as new types are being developed. Blooms do not hold up well in wet or humid weather. Examples include the 'Daddy' and 'Ultra' series.

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Hedgifloras--A newer type that can grow up to 3' tall with support or if the plants are spaced close together. Spaced further apart, they sprawl--more like the spreading types. Best represented by the 'Tidal Wave' and 'Supertunia Vista' series.

Spreading--Quickly becoming the most popular petunias nationwide and certainly one of our most popular types. Because a single plant can spread up to 3' they make glorious hanging baskets and are unbeatable and economical in the landscape. Plants remain short, often growing only 6-8" tall. This type is best represented by the 'Wave' and 'Supertunia' series among many, many others.

Double Petunias--May be either multi-, grandiflora or spreading. Blossoms are more fragile in inclement weather.

### **PETUNIAS, SINGLE-FLOWERED:**

**Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Blanket Series--Spreading. A small flowered, vigorous series well-suited for beds, containers and hanging baskets. The flower power is quite unbelievable!  
Available in lemon glow, midnight velvet, violet and purple. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Cascadias Series--Trailing habit with large, showy multi-flora sized flowers. A winner in pots and hanging baskets. Available in 'Rim Magenta (dark purple with a cream edge). (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Constellation Series--Eye-catching starry eyed patterns cover these unique petunia blooms. A very novel lineup for gardeners, these plants have a vigorous mounded-trailing habit and excellent garden performance. Available in 'Aries' (purple-blue), 'Gemini' (electric violet), 'Pyxis' (purple) and 'Virgo' (blue). (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Crazytunia Series--With exciting flower colors and patterns, this new collection is shaking up the world of petunias. Uniform and compact growth habit. Available in 'Blackberry Cheesecake' (lemon and plum-colored), 'Blue Ice' (shades of blue with a white star), 'Cosmic Purple' (stunning multi-colored pink and red flowers), 'Pinkadelic' (fuchsia and white starred), 'Raspberry Lemonade' (red and yellow starred), 'Red Blues' (rich red), 'Tiki Torch' (dark stars of purple-black radiate across a tropical background of fuchsia, orange and deep go) and 'Ultra Violet' (narrow hot pink edging around a violet center). (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Daddy Series--Grandiflora. All veined-rich pastel or clear, ruffled colors with contrasting darker veins of a similar color. Flowers are extra large, averaging 4 1/4" across. Early

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and compact. Suitable for beds, baskets and window boxes. Usually available in 'Sugar' (lavender-purple with dark veins) from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Dreams Series--Grandiflora. Free-flowering, tightly branched petunias, An older and tried-and-true variety. Colors are proven and very stable. Very weather tolerant with 3-4" flowers. 10-15" tall and wide. Usually available in blue (Midnight), coral and a 'Patriot' mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Easy Wave Series--Compact spreading. More mounded with more controlled spreading than the regular 'Wave' series makes this series better suited for mixed containers and some beds. High impact plants with minimal maintenance. Grows 6-12" with a spread of only 2 1/2-3'. Available in blue, burgundy velour, lavender sky blue (new in 2020), pink, red, red velour, 'Rosy Dawn' (a 2006 AAS Winner of deep rose with a white eye), violet, white, yellow and a formula mix. (Available in giant 6-packs)

Glamouflage Series--The must-have for any container! This exclusive variety is totally stable, with brightly colored variegated foliage. Perfectly placed flowers are a complement to this fine foliage. Mounded trailing habit spills over containers and hanging baskets. Available in 'Grape' (bright purple). (5" pot)

Headliner Series--Like Crazytunias, a series of wild and fun colors and flower patterns. Mounding, semi-trailing habit. We're carrying blue and 'Crystal Sky' (lavender, sprinkled with white and a dark purple center. (5" pot)

'Hells Flamin' Rose--Neon pink salmon-pink blooms are medium large with a yellow throat and completely cover vigorously branching plants. Ideal for anywhere needing a bold splash of color. Height is 10-14". (5" pot)

Hulahoop Series--Features the large colorful blooms typical of Grandiflora hybrids. The ruffled single flowers all have a white picotee edge surrounding deep colors. The plants are productive and the blooms heat and weather resistant. This petunia is an excellent garden and container selection. Very old-fashioned. Usually available in blue and red from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Madness Series--Multiflora. Our most popular bedding petunia series. This series features big flowers-up to 3" across-along with a compact habit. These floriferous plants put on an outstanding show in the garden. The flowers bounce back very quickly after a rain and continue to flower all summer long. Our most popular bedding series. Available in burgundy, midnight (blue), pink, red, 'Sheer' (veined pink), white, yellow, a 'Merlot Mix' (shades of pink, red, burgundy and white), a 'Waterfall Mix' and probably other colors as the season progresses. (4-pack)

Panache Series--Beautiful habit with large, frilly blooms. Mounded trailing habit spills over containers and hanging baskets. Available in 'Marshmallow' (white). (5" pot)

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'Picasso in Purple'--The unique bicolor of this petunia has created a tremendous amount of interest from gardeners with a violet eye, magenta petals, and bright lime-green edging all coalescing into a perfect masterpiece on every bloom and a more compact habit than Supertunia Pretty Much Picasso®. Grows 8-12" tall and trails to up to 36". Self-cleaning no deadheading necessary, this is not necessarily true of all petunias. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

'Prism Sunshine'--Grandiflora. 1998 AAS and Fleuroselect Gold Medal Winner. Early, compact, yellow-centered that edges to a creamy yellow. Best performing yellow grandiflora available. 3" blooms. Usually available from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Ray Series--Rays have a natural compact habit, superior center branching making for endless possibilities in patio combinations, borders, landscape, hanging baskets, window boxes and pots of all sizes. Rays are self-cleaning, easy to grow, sun-loving and self-maintaining. Available in black, 'Pistachio Cream' (soft green with a creamy-white center) and 'Purple Vein'. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Sanguna Series-- A prostrate multiflora. Free-flowering and vigorous. Early to flower and well-branched. Use in beds or baskets. Available in blue, burgundy, lipstick, purple, 'Radiant Blue', sweet pink and yellow. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Shock Wave Series--Now firmly established in the marketplace, the Shock Wave petunia series has found its niche as the only small-flowered spreading series from seed. They are one of the earliest to flower in the spreading petunia class, and they yield a proliferation of 1 1/2 - 2" blooms that blanket the mounded plants, making them superb for hanging baskets and containers. 7-10" tall and spreads to 3'! Available in coral crush, deep purple, denim blue, pink shades and yellow. (Available in giant 6-packs)

Sophistica Series--Grandiflora. An abundance of large blooms highlight this new series. Grows to 10-15" tall. Available in blackberry (black with reddish undertones). (4-pack)

Storm Series--Grandiflora. Large 4" flowers that are extremely weather tolerant and quick to recover after inclement weather. Outstanding garden performance. Brought in from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Supercascade Series--Grandiflora. An early flowering improved Cascade. Very large flowers and more compact than earlier Cascades. Blooms are 4" across. Great in hanging baskets. Usually available in blue, burgundy, pink, red, white and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Supertunia 'Charm' Series--Spreading. Diminutive beauties that pack all the punch of the original Supertunia series in a compact, dense habit. The Proven Winners Charm series stands out for their small to very small flowers that are similar in size to a large Superbells (Calibrachoa). Plants are weather resistant and vigorous. 5-7" tall. Great

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substitutes for Calibrachoa in landscapes Available in 'Daybreak' (watermelon pink with a yellow center), Violet Star and white. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Supertunia Mini Vista Series--The Supertunia Mini Vista series offers cute blooms that are smaller in size, but not quite as small as calibrachoa. Vigorous, mounded, spreading habit. Available in violet star (5" pot)

Supertunia Series--Spreading. A vigorous, everblooming, trailing petunia from Australia. Can grow up to an inch a day. Better suited for baskets, window boxes and containers than regular cascading petunias. They bloom profusely. Plant in full sun. One plant will spread to 3' across. Keep on the drier side. Conditions that are too wet will cause the foliage to yellow. Fertilize regularly with a high nitrogen fertilizer, supplemented with iron. Trim as desired, but deadheading is not necessary. Colors available include: 'Bermuda Beach' (salmon-pink), 'Black Cherry', 'Blue Skies' (sky blue), 'Bordeaux' (soft lavender with deep plum veins), 'Honey' (orange yellow melange), 'Limoncello' (yellow with deep yellow veins), 'Raspberry Rush' (raspberry pink with white markings), Royal Magenta, Royal Velvet (deep blue) and white. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Supertunia 'Trailing' Series (formerly Supertunia 'Mini' Series)--Spreading. Diminutive beauties that pack all the punch of the original Supertunia series in a compact, dense habit. Flowers are petite and abundant. Plants are weather resistant and vigorous. 5-7" tall. Available in blue-vein, bright pink and purple. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Supertunia 'Vista' Series'--Hedgiflora. A landscape series with a taller habit than 'Supertunias'. Not suitable for hanging baskets, but excellent in large containers. Early to flower and self-cleaning. 16-20" tall. Available in 'Bubblegum' (large pink flowers), fuchsia (smaller purplish-pink flowers), 'Paradise' (watermelon pink), 'Silverberry' (silver with rosy veining) and 'Snowdrift' (true white). (5" pot)

Surfinia--Spreading. Everblooming, heat-loving and extremely vigorous. Perfect for tubs, baskets, beds or window boxes. Plant in full sun areas. Avoid wet, soggy, shady areas. In containers, keep slightly moist. Water sparingly if planted in the ground. Use a high nitrogen fertilizer with iron regularly. Prune as desired, but not necessary. Available in deep red and rose veined. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

TriTunia Series--Consider this rather new petunia series the 'Best of the Best' of three long standing popular single flower grandiflora series! The breeders have combined the best performing varieties of Ultra, Storm and Bravo into one high performance TriTunia Petunia series. All varieties match for uniformity in habit and flower timing, with excellent performance from the grower bench to retail to the garden. 12-14" tall. Usually available in blue, blue star, burgundy, crimson star, pink, red, red star, sky blue, white and mixes from outside vendors. (4-pack)

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Ultra Series--Grandiflora. Compact, early and well-branched. Low spreading form and weather tolerant. Blooms are 3-4" across and ruffled. Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Wave Series--Spreading. The original!! Ground hugging plants spread to 4'. Excellent garden performance. Height varies by color-4-6" tall. Ideal for baskets, large pots or as a groundcover. Unlike standard petunias, the 2-3" flowers continue to bloom freely all season without being trimmed back. Available in purple (1995 AAS Winner). (Available in Giant 6-packs)

### **PETUNIAS, DOUBLE-FLOWERED:**

**Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Double Cascade Series--Excellent habit and good branching. Usually available in burgundy, pink and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Double Trouble Series--Beautiful, full cascading habit on vigorous plants. From Hort Couture. Available in 'London Loops' (bright pink double flowering petunia with white edging). (5" pot)

Pirouette Series--Grandiflora. Large, violet-blue ruffled flowers with broad white edging. A past AAS Winner. The first picotee double petunia. Blooms are 2-2 1/2" across. Very early for a double petunia. Usually available in purple, red and/or rose from outside vendors. (4-pack)

'Sonata'--Grandiflora. Huge, deeply fringed, pure white flowers on very sturdy plants. The finest double white petunia. Should be pinched to induce branching. (4-pack)

'Valentine'--A bright red Grandiflora. (4-pack)

**PLECTRANTHUS COLEOIDES VARIEGATA (Iboza):** An immensely popular foliage plant for mixed containers or as a houseplant. A prostrate plant with stems that hang straight down, reaching as much as 30" or longer. Leaves are smallish and rich green with a white margin. Foliage is intensely fragrant when crushed and lies somewhere between oregano and thyme. It rarely blooms. For full sun to part shade.

'White Surf'--Trailing and vigorous habit with green and white foliage. Excellent in hanging baskets, containers and window boxes. Grows to 16-20" tall. (5" pot)

**PLECTRANTHUS HYBRIDS:** A huge family of plants, most which are used for their foliage. The origins of many members of this mint relative is becoming increasingly blurred as breeders continue to hybridize. The foliage is usually quite fragrant and tends to have a lot of texture and substance. In fact, many species are used as a

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culinary herb in Central America and Southeast Asia. All members make lovely and easy-to-care-for houseplants. Propagation by cuttings is equally easy. Though usually bred for their foliage, many varieties have gorgeous lavender or white tubular blooms borne on spikes. Common Swedish Ivy, Cuban oregano and Iboza are all familiar members of the plectranthus family. Most are very quick growing in the home or in the garden. Grow in full to part sun. Native to Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific Islands.

'Guacamole'--Shows off with bright yellow leaves sporting deep green patches and dark red stems. Excellent branching habit fills out containers or in-ground plantings. 13" tall and up to 20" wide. (5" pot)

**PLUMBAGO AURICULATA (Leadwort):** Plumbago is an evergreen shrub with whip-like semi-woody stems that form a loose, rounded mound 3-10 ft. high with a similar spread. The 2 in. oblong leaves are a fresh, light yellowish green color. The sky blue flowers are 1 in. long tubes expanding into 5 petals spreading about 1 in across. The flowers are borne in rounded terminal clusters 6 in across and look quite a bit like phlox flowers. Plumbago blooms all year long except for the coldest winter months. Plumbago is native to South Africa, and is a popular ornamental.

Imperial Series-- Beautiful in large containers. Blooms from spring to fall. Plant in full sun to part-shade. Likes to be kept moderately moist but with good drainage. Attracts butterflies. Available in blue. (5" pot)

**POLKA DOT PLANT:** See Hypoestes

**POPCORN PLANT:** See Cassia (n.a. in 2020)

**PORTULACA GRANDIFLORA (Moss Rose)--also see Purslane:** This annual thrives in situations where most would not. Plant forms trailing stems with tiny succulent-like leaves and brilliantly colored silk-like blooms. Requires little care and will withstand drought. Full sun. Flowers do not open until late morning and will remain closed on cloudy days. Grows 6" tall and works best at the front of the border, in hanging baskets or in mixed plantings. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from vendors.**

Sundial--A dramatic improvement over older moss rose varieties. Flowers are larger and stay open longer than all other moss rose varieties. Colors are bright and vivid and offered separately. . Flowers are 1 1/2-2" in diameter. Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors, but usually include; fuchsia, orange, yellow and a mix of colors. (4-pack)

Tequila Series--An outstanding landscape series, these low-growing, vigorous, spreading plants take off quickly, tolerating cool weather and wet conditions better than other series. Less daylight sensitive than most. Groundhugging at only 2" tall, but spreads to 14-18". Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors, but usually include; fuchsia, orange, yellow and a mix of colors. (4-pack)

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**PSEUDERANTHEMUM ATROPURPUREUM (Snow Bush):** An erect, open shrub, primarily used as a foliage accent plant in mixed annual containers. Leaves are usually a solid, rich, deep purple, though variegated forms are available. Tubular white flowers appear late in the season. They prefer moist, well-drained soil in full sun with some midday shade, or in partial shade. From Polynesia.

'Stainless Steel'--A very rare and unusual tropical plant with spectacular variegated foliage. Light green leaves with silver to white variegated markings. Each leaf is somewhat different and highly variegated. Makes a nice and interesting houseplant. Grows to 3' tall. (5" pot)

**PURSLANE (*Portulaca umbraticola*, *P. oleracea*):** Like moss roses, this cousin with wider leaves flourishes in heat, drought and sun. And like moss roses, flowers close late in the day. Like purslane-the garden weed-the foliage is edible, adding a refreshing flavor to salads. Plants seldom grow taller than 4-6", but may spread up to 2', making for lovely hanging baskets able to endure neglect.

Colorblast Series--This series is offered in single, double and striped versions. Flowers stay open longer than any others under low light conditions and thrive in the summer's worst heat spells. We're carrying double guava, double pink and 'Mango Mojito' (an orange and cream bicolor). (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Mojave Series--Large, vibrant flowers all summer: heat, humidity and drought tolerant. Available in pink and red. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Pazazz Series--Very well-branched, free-flowering and vigorous. Low spreading plants thrive on summer heat. Well-suited to baskets and containers. Just 2-4" tall. Available in Tangerine. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

**RAIN LILY (*Zephyranthes grandiflora*):** *Zephyranthes* is a genus of about 70 species in the Amaryllidaceae (amaryllis family) native to southern North America, Central America, and South America, with common names including rain flower, rain lily, and zephyr lily. Pink rain lily is an annual here in the north, with a tuft of outward-spreading grassy foliage growing from a tunicate bulb with reddish skin. The 4-6 long, narrow, strap-like green leaves are slightly glossy or shiny and may be reddish at the base. The foliage may be persistent or die back, depending on the conditions. The flowers open out flat at midday and close in the afternoon. Although each flower only lasts one to a few days (depending on temperature and sunlight), there can be multiple flushes of blooms throughout the season. Rain lilies make excellent container plants and are very long-lived. In their native habitat the flowers typically emerge a few days after a soaking rainstorm after being dry for a period of time. In cultivation they will bloom without being subjected to cyclical droughts, but even in containers outside during the summer flowering seems to occur more readily after thunderstorms. Cycles of drying and watering encourages the bulbs to bloom, but they will still bloom in bursts if kept evenly moist year-round. Indoors they can bloom at any time of year. Rain lilies produce offsets

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from the original bulbs, multiplying readily. (Bulbs are available in our bulb area and/or 5" pot with our water plants)

**RANUNCULUS ASIATICUS:** Perfect double flowers bloom during the early summer in many bright colors. On stems reaching 18" high, the flowers nod for nearly 4 months. They demand plenty of sun and a well-drained but never dry soil. Soak the stiff tubers before planting. Best to start the plants indoors early with the side of the tubers with the claws facing down. Tubers must be dug and stored in the fall. (Available in our bulb area)

**RUDBECKIA HIRTA (Gloriosa Daisy, Black-eyed Susan):** A Zone 5 perennial best raised as an annual in Wisconsin. Though they make it through mild winters, plant vigor and flower size tend to deteriorate over time, seldom making it through two seasons. Excellent for mass bloom in the garden and for cutting, from early summer till frost. Very heat tolerant and easy to grow. Plant in full sun. Will not need staking. All varieties self-sow if allowed to go to seed.

'Cherokee Sunset'--2002 AAS Winner. A blend of sunset colors--golden yellow, orange, bronze and mahogany shades on double to semi-double 4" flowers. Outstanding branching habit and garden performance. Ideal cut flower. (2-pack and other larger sizes as the season progresses)

'Indian Summer'--Enormous single and semi-double golden blossoms 6-9" across. The most beautiful rudbeckia for the cutting garden. This All-America Selections winner with its huge blossoms and vigorous, uniform plants adds bold, eye-catching color to borders and beds. A short-lived, self-sowing perennial. Grows to 30-36" tall. (2-pack and other larger sizes as the season progresses)

**RUNNER BEAN:** See Scarlet Runner Bean

**SALVIA COCCINEA (Texas Sage):** The open, lacy effect of long flower spikes on bushy plants is effective for an extremely long bloom season from early summer till frost. In spite of its delicate appearance, this is one of the easiest and toughest annuals., very tolerant of heat, drought and a wide variety of soil conditions. A magnet for hummingbirds.

Hummingbird 'Forest Fire'--Stunning combination of fiery red flowers against black calyces. Heat and drought tolerant plants are earlier, slightly shorter and more free-branching than 'Lady in Red'. (4-pack)

**SALVIA ELEGANS (Pineapple Sage):** Soft, smooth, pineapple scented leaves often used in cold drinks and fruit salad. Shrubby growth habit. Blooms usually during the fall and is a hummingbird magnet--probably the best you can buy! Loose spikes are bright scarlet. Plant in full sun to part shade in average to rich, well-drained soil. A must for the wildflower and herb garden.

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'Golden Delicious'--Fuzzy, bright yellow foliage provides a backdrop for fire engine red, tubular flowers that appear in spring (a rarity for pineapple sages) and again in the fall. Strong pineapple scent. Best in full sun. Short for pineapple sage at only 12-24" tall. (3 1/2" herb and 5" pot)

**SALVIA FARINACEA (Mealycup Sage):** A native American tender perennial. Easy to grow, it has beautiful spikes of steely gray-blue or steely white. It grows wild in Texas and New Mexico from early summer to fall. With its persistent long bloom, it is valued as a cut flower and is easily dried for winter arrangements. Very disease resistant. Plant in full sun to light shade. Roots can be dug and stored in the fall like geraniums for planting the following season. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors and may include any or all of the following:**

'Blue Bedder'--Produces vibrant deep blue flowers until hard frosts. Twice the size of the ordinary blue salvia (Victoria). At 30", this old fashioned, heirloom strain is nearly as tall as its wild Texas parent. It produces vibrant deep blue flowers until hard frosts. (4-pack)

Evolution Series--A whole new generation for mealycup salvia, with richer blooms, better branching, more compact plants, superb weather resistance, and an extra-long season of bloom. Every 8- to 10-inch bloomstalk on these sturdy little plants is packed with blooms, far brighter and less prone to fading than older varieties. 18" tall. Available in deep violet (a 2006 AAS Winner) and white. (4-pack)

'Sirius Blue'--Compact plants are only reach 12-16" in height and produce an extra-heavy crop of blue blooms. (4-pack)

Victoria Series--A Fleuroselect Winner. Attractive gray-green foliage. Plants are a compact 18". Available in blue. (4-pack)

**SALVIA GUARANTICA (Blue anise sage, Brazilian blue sage):** Shrub-like plant with wrinkled, fuzzy, medium green leaves. Blooms late summer to fall. Striking 2" long flowers in blue, purple or white, usually with darker purple calyces. Prefers a light shade instead of full, hot sun and evenly moist soil. Produces tuberous roots that are stored overwinter like a dahlia. Perhaps the one plant type that will draw the most hummingbirds to the garden! Most grow 4-6'.

'Black & Bloom'--Makes a big impact with a thicker leaf, bigger bloom and darker stem than the old 'Black & Blue'. Tough as nails – it thrives in heat, drought and humidity. Very fast to finish and easy to grow, requiring very little attention. Desirable deep blue color against a black stem stands out in every landscape or container. Grows to 36-48" tall. (5" pot)

'Black & Blue'--Beautiful in mixed containers or as a feature in the landscape. Intense blue flowers with black-purple calyces. Harvest and store roots in the fall. Grows to 4' tall. (5" pot)

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'Purple & Bloom'--Selected for its exceptional flower power and smaller stature similar to Black & Bloom making it a good candidate for medium to large containers. This new salvia is 25% more compact than the leading competitor. Grows to 36-40" tall. (5" pot)

'Rockin' Series-Upright compact plants with green foliage. Blooms attract hummingbirds and butterflies all summer until frost. Plant in part to full sun for best performance. 30-40" tall. Available in deep purple and fuchsia (bright pink). (5" pot)

### **SALVIA INTERSPECIFIC HYBRIDS:**

'Roman Red'--This is the only vibrant red, interspecific salvia on the market! Has a more compact habit compared to the leading competitor's red, along with medium green foliage. More similar in habit and performance to 'Black & Bloom', with a semi-mounded habit. Offers exceptional landscape performance when compared to *Salvia splendens*. 28-34" tall. (5" pot)

Skyscraper Series--Florets crowd the spires of this brand new compact and free-flowering salvia. A must for smaller gardens where other larger salvias won't fit. Nonstop blooms all summer. Blooms are reminiscent of a large Texas sage. Grows to 2.5'. For full sun. Available in dark purple and pink. (5" pot)

### **SALVIA LONGISPICATA x S. FARINACEA:**

'Big Blue'--A vigorous flowering annual in a clear blue color. The first interspecific salvia from seed. It boasts large flower spikes on a huge plant. Can grow to 3' tall. For full sun to part shade. (5" pot)

'Mystic Spires'--An outstanding 2006 introduction. Large true blue flower spikes wave above the dark green foliage. Often 1' long, the spikes are slightly fuzzy. Naturally compact and well-branched, this is a dwarf version of the popular, but large, 'Indigo Spires.' Overall, the plant looks like a giant 'Victoria' blue salvia. Unlike many salvias, it comes into bloom very quickly and flowers continuously until a hard freeze. Requires well-drained soil in full sun. Grows to 2-3'. Like all salvia, it's a bee, butterfly and hummingbird magnet. Excellent cut and dried. Roots can be easily stored overwinter. (5" pot)

'Playin' the Blues'--A fragrant thriller for your containers and landscape. Standing 24-48" tall, the purplish blue spikes of Playin' The Blues create a great focal point for mixed containers. This continuous blooming salvia is sterile which means more flowers for you. Planted in full sun you may enjoy the flutter of butterflies and hummingbirds checking out the blooms. Drought tolerant and deer resistant are just two of the great attributes. (5" pot)

**SALVIA MICROPHYLLA, Syn. S. grahamii (Mexican Sage):** A native to Mexico and the southwestern United States. Flowers, fragrance and plant structure are similar to

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*Salvia greggii*, but the species grows quite a bit taller. Like many salvias, it blooms best toward the end of summer and into fall. For full sun.

'Hot Lips'--A stunning bicolor red and white. Color is strongest in cooler temperatures. Broad, soft, aromatic leaves. Forms a wide, fast-growing mound up to 6' across! For full sun. Up to 30" tall. (5" pot)

**SALVIA PATENS (Gentian Sage):** Compact plant with long, hairy, medium green leaves. Open 16" flowers spikes of deep blue flowers held in pairs. Blooms from mid-summer thru fall. Good drainage is critical. Blooms best in a warm, protected spot. Tubers can be overwintered indoors. Full sun to part shade in average to rich, well-drained soil.

'Blue Angel'--Up to 20 ultramarine colored. 2" tubular flowers top 24-28" tall, graceful plants. Delivers summer-long color to beds, pots and planters. (3-pack)

'Patio Sky Blue'--True sky blue flowers adorn this compact gentian sage all summer. A vigorous, well-branched ornamental sage that's easy to grow and low-maintenance. This tuberous herbaceous perennial blooms continuously with good care and originates from Central Mexico. Grows to about a foot tall. (3-pack)

**SALVIA SPLENDENS (Scarlet Sage):** Erect spikes of brilliantly colored blooms. The red varieties are especially attractive to hummingbirds. Very old-fashioned and versatile whether in beds or containers. Prefers a well-drained, moist soil in full sun or light shade. Spacing depends upon the size of the variety. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors and may include any or all of the following:**

'Bonfire Elite'. Dark green foliage and strong basal branching supports plentiful, closely spaced, intense red flowers. A strong garden performer. Grows to 26". (4-pack)

'Maestro'--Red flower spikes and dark green leaves on early 8-10" plants. Compact. (4-pack)

'Red Hot Sally'--Deep red blooms form good, stock spikes in colorful, summer-long displays. An excellent performer in the landscape. Reaches a height of 10-12" with compact, very uniform foliage. (4-pack)

'Sizzler Series'--Bright, clear colors on abundant flower spikes, only 10-12" tall, have made this series a multiple award winner. Early-flowering with dark green foliage. Available in a mix. Colors usually include purple and a mix of colors from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Vista Series--12" tall. An improved carabinieri type that is earlier and more compact. Beautiful bright red flower spikes contrast nicely with the dark foliage. Oftentimes available in purple or as a mix based on availability. (4-pack)

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**SCAEVOLA AEMULA (Australian Fan Flower):** Of nearly 100 species of scaevola found in the South Pacific and Australia, only one (*S. aemula*) has found its way into gardens and in recent years has become very popular. This handsome plant, with stiff, succulent stems, forms a dense carpet of small, lightly-toothed, spoon-shaped leaves. The innumerable 3/4-1", tubular flowers each open into a broad, 5-lobed fan. Colors are in shades of blue, purple and white and deadheading is unnecessary. Plants grow only 4-8" tall and are wonderful in baskets or as edging. Grow in full sun in evenly moist soil. Scaevolans are very heavy feeders.

**Bombay Series--**Excellent branching with a consistent semi-trailing habit. Very heat tolerant with great garden performance. Ideal in hanging baskets and containers. 6-10" tall. Available in dark blue and white. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**Scalora Series--**No other series comes close to the performance of Scalora scaevola. Vigorous, well-branched plants are loaded with color that is simply impervious to the heat that summer can bring. Truly breakthrough breeding has not only the best blues that growers expect, but remarkable pink, white, yellow and bicolor varieties too. We're carrying 'Glitzzy' (bicolor lavender and yellow blooms) and 'Suntastic Yellow'. Grows 8-14" tall. (5" pot)

**Scampi Series--**Scampi has large flowers yet finishes with a compact, trailing habit. Scampi will perform in both full sun and shady conditions. Finished height is 4" to 6". Available in blue, pink and white. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**Surdiva Series--**Genetically, the Surdiva series offers highly-branched, large-flowered scaevola. Plants form a mounded bushy habit with short internodes, leaving no "hole in the center." Once planted into a sunny garden position, watch it maintain a compact and tidy habit while flowering profusely. Available in blue violet and white. (5" pot)

**Whirlwind Series--**This large-flowered scaevola is much earlier to flower than other scaevola and is much more branching and free-flowering. Available in blue. 8-14" tall. (5" pot)

**SCARLET RUNNER BEAN, *Phaseolus coccineus*:** A hummingbird favorite! Scarlet flowers contrast with green, heart-shaped foliage. Vigorous climbers for a trellis or twine. Edible beans are delicious when young. Keep beans picked for continuous bloom. Grow in full sun. Grows to 72-96". (4" coir pot)

**SCENTED GERANIUM:** See Geranium section.

**SENECIO CANDICANS:** See Dusty Miller.

**SENECIO MIKANIOIDES:** See German Ivy.

**SHRIMP PLANT:** See Justicia. (n.a. 2020)

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**SNAPDRAGON (*Antirrhinum majus*):** The lavish color of modern hybrid snaps is provided over a long bloom time and in many sizes, from dwarfs ideal for bedding, to giants that are among the finest of all cut flowers. Flower colors tend to be bright and clear and are sometimes fragrant. Snaps prefer full sun and average garden soil. They bloom all summer long, but less profusely during hot weather. They sometimes survive through mild winters or if well protected. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Liberty Series--Tall and sturdy, these compact snaps are perfect for cutting, yet never need staking. Bright blooms on majestic 18-22" spikes. Uniform bloom time and size. Colors to be determined based on availability from wholesalers. (4-pack)

'Madame Butterfly'--Double, azalea-flowering snaps. Base-branching, 24-30" plants in a wide range of colors. A past AAS Winner. A great cut flower. (4-pack)

Montego Series--The earliest flowering dwarf snapdragon. Great garden performance that will not burn out during summer heat. Flowers are held on strong stems close to the top of the foliage. Grows 8-10". Usually available in burgundy bicolor, orange, purple, red, rose, yellow and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Rocket Series--Long flower spikes with well-spaced florets on vigorous, heat resistant plants. Superior for backgrounds or cut flowers. Will bloom again once cut. Plants grow 30-36" tall. Usually available in gold, pink, red, white and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Sonnet --A very refined, early and extremely free-flowering snap, growing to a height of 20" The dense main spike is followed by numerous secondary spikes. Wind resistance and heat tolerance make this an excellent landscape candidate. Usually available in bronze, burgundy, crimson, rose pink, white, yellow and a mix from outside vendors. (4-pack)

Twinnny Series--The first double flowered snapdragon with compact habit. Unique color. The flower form is a butterfly-type and flowers measure up to 1 1/4". Plants grow about a foot tall. Available in peach (a 2010 AAS Winner) and a mix. (4-pack)

**SPANISH FLAG:** See Mina

**SPIKE:** See Dracaena

**STATICE, ANNUAL, *Limonium sinuatum*:** Unmistakable plants form a ground-hugging rosette of dark green, wavy, deeply lobed leaves. Flower stems are stiff and leafless, rising straight upward, then branch at the tips into an intricate candelabra of one-sided flower clusters. Flowers are colorful and long-lasting and are a staple both fresh and dried. Pick flower stalks when they are about 2/3 open. Statice requires a sunny spot with well-drained, even sandy soil and is very drought tolerant.

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QIS Series--Very uniform in color, flower size and stem quality. The best strain for cut flower production. Grows to a nice tall 28". Available in a mix of colors. (4-pack)

### **STRAWBERRY, *Fragaria x ananassa*:**

'Elan'--Strawberry season does not end in midsummer with the aromatic repeatedly bearing strawberry 'Elan'. Quite on the contrary, one can harvest vibrant red fruits in excellent quality again and again up to the first frost. The fruits ripen on long tendrils. These sugar-sweet and juicy fruits with a high vitamin C content are a delectation for snacking. Cultivate on balconies, in hanging baskets, strawberry buckets and on flower beds. (2-pack)

**STRAWFLOWER, *Helichrysum bracteatum*:** A must-have in the cut- or dried-flower garden. Harvest blooms before they fully open because they will continue to open once harvested. Plant in full-sun in rich, well-drained soil. Virtually pest-free and very easy to grow. Harvesting and deadheading stimulates more blooming. All are natives to Australia. Water frequently and thoroughly during hot weather; avoid drying out.

Dreamtime Series--A controlled, mounded series. Flowers do not peak open in the center. Free-flowering and sun-loving. Perfect for containers and hanging baskets. 10-12" tall and wide. Available in Jumbo yellow. (5" pot)

**STREPTOCARPELLA:** This excellent container, as well as houseplant, has succulent, arching stems and fleshy, rounded, somewhat fuzzy leaves. Slender, branching pedicels bear tubular flowers with flaring, fan-shaped lobes. Grow in full sun to part shade and water regularly, though it can tolerate some drought. Bring indoors in fall or take cuttings. Height is 8-12".

'Concord Blue'--Delicate, sapphire-blue flowers. Soft green foliage with a semi-trailing habit. (5" pot)

**STREPTOCARPUS HYBRIDS (Cape Primrose):** These close relatives of African violets were, until recently, sold exclusively as indoor blooming plants, usually available only in the spring. But cape primrose is actually a lovely garden annual for shade containers, either alone or in mixed plantings. Vigorous plants bloom profusely, but especially once the days begin cooling in late summer. Large flowers are borne on stalks. Leaves are textured and brittle, but unlike their fuzzy cousins, they are at home outside. Keep on the drier side to avoid root rot. Propagation is very easy, either by division or by doing leaf cuttings--exactly like their African violet cousins. Indoors, they tend to bloom best in late winter and early spring. A nice windowsill plant. Gorgeous hybrids have become available in recent years.

Ladyslippers Series--Ladyslippers selections have larger flower count per plant plus an improved plant form with more leaves per plant and shorter leaf length than most

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streptocarpus varieties. Available in blue ice, blue with a white center, deep blue vein, grape ice, red bicolor, strawberry ice and yellow with a pink cap. (5" pot)

**STROBILANTHES DYERIANUS (Persian Shield):** An old-fashioned houseplant that has made its way into the garden in recent years. The upright, branching stems bear elliptic, dark green leaves, up to 6" long, that are flushed purple with a silvery overlay. This plant thrives in hot, humid summers. Can grow up to 4' tall and spread 3'. (5" pot)

**SUTERA:** See Bacopa.

**SUNFLOWER, *Helianthus annuus* (Annual Sunflower):** Fun, easy-to grow and perfect for backgrounds and beds. Tolerant of heat and drought. Plant in full sun. For maximum height, fertilize weekly with a liquid fertilizer. Excellent to attract birds and great for a kids' garden. Flowers may be up to 12" across and can be single or double. Seeds of all varieties are, of course, edible. Many varieties make an excellent cut flower. Can grow up to 10' or more or as small as 18" depending on variety.

'Mammoth'--Plants are 7' feet tall with large 12" yellow heads. Excellent for background plantings or for screening purposes. Each plant produces one flower. Seeds are gray and white striped. Usually requires staking. (4" coir pot)

'Miss Sunshine'--A short, pollen-free variety. The 3-4", sunny golden blooms are upward facing. Plants are well-branched and continue to bloom after the first flush of bloom. Perfect for containers and mixed pots. 10-16". (4" coir pot)

'SunBuzz'--Clear, yellow petals make this beauty a real standout! Thanks to the big show of secondary flowers, it produces more 2 to 4" blooms on compact, smaller leafed plants. 12-20" tall. (5" pot)

'Suncredible' Yellow--Bright, 4 inch golden yellow blooms from early season through the fall. This powdery mildew resistant variety forms a 24- 48 inch mound that continuously blooms all season without the need for deadheading. 24-40" tall. (5" pot)

'Sunfinity'--A revolutionary new sunflower, Sunfinity will thrive and bloom continuously all season long. Traditional sunflowers bloom late in the summer and the single blooms are enjoyed for only a short time. Sunfinity comes into bloom in late spring and keeps on growing long after traditional single-stem sunflowers have bloomed and died. Sunfinity Sunflowers have lots of blooms that can be cut. Grows 3-4' tall. (5" pot)

'Suntastic'--2014 AAS Award Winner. This is the most floriferous dwarf sunflower to date, bearing up to 20 flowers on plants only 20 inches tall. The 5 to 6 inch blooms are cheerful golden-yellow with black centers, adding a burst of color to sunny gardens, containers and window boxes. (5" pot)

**SWAN RIVER DAISY:** See *Brachyscome* (n.a. 2020)

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**SWEET POTATO VINE:** See Ipomoea or Solanum.

**SWISS CHARD, *Beta vulgaris*:** Chard makes a lovely addition to the mixed flower bed or containers. The stems of many varieties are brightly colored and the leaves offer delightful texture to the landscape and pots. This cool season edible green is a very close relative of the beet (whose foliage and stems are also delicious). Though more heat tolerant than most greens, chard is at its peak in early summer and again in the fall when the weather turns cooler. Though usually sown directly into the garden in early spring, chard transplants rather easily. Both the stems and leaves of chard are used in salads and sautees. When sauteed, the chopped stems should be added a few minutes before the leaves to ensure tenderness. The leaves can be used like and make a great substitute for spinach. Harvest as needed.

'Bright Lights'--Probably the most beautiful of the chards with stems in shades of gold, pink, orange, purple and white and hints of every color in between. The flavor is milder than many chards. Grows to 20" tall. A 1998 AAS Award Winner. (4-pack)

**TAHITIAN BRIDAL VEIL, *Gibasis geniculata*:** Not only a classic houseplant, but a nonstop bloomer for the shade garden. It's cascading habit is lovely flowing over the edge of mixed containers or on it's own in hanging baskets. Flowers nonstop--even in the dead of winter. White flowers are dainty and persistent. Closely related to wandering jew. The small glossy, green leaves have purple undersides. Very easy to propagate from cuttings. (5" pot)

**THUNBERGIA ALATA (*Black-eyed Susan Vine*):** A Cheerful addition to hanging baskets and as a vine for fences and trellises. Prefers rich, moist, well-drained soil and a sunny to light shade environment. Space 12-18". Do not prune. Does not bloom well during the peak of summer heat, but will pick up intensely with the onset of cooler weather in the fall. The newer vegetative varieties tend to bloom better in summer heat, are more vigorous and have bigger flowers. Will grow to 6-10'.

A-Peel Series--This vigorous series grows 5-8' tall and show larger, bright colored flowers all summer long. Loves the sun. Excellent in large containers. Available in orange, tangerine and yellow. (5" pot)

Sunny--This vigorous series grows 5-8' tall and show larger, bright colored flowers all summer long. Loves the sun. Excellent in large containers. Available in 'Arizona Glow'(orange-red), 'Arizona Rose Sensation' (pink flowers with a dark eye) and Orange Wonder. (5" pot)

Susie--A good series for hanging baskets. Blooms early. Available in orange or yellow with a dark eye and a mix. (4" coir pot)

**THUNBERGIA GRANDIFLORA (*Blue Trumpet Vine, Sky Vine*):** Vigorous, woody, twining climber. Leaves are dark green and softly hairy. Bears trumpet-shaped, lavender-blue to violet-blue flowers with yellow throats in summer. Grows quite large.

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Excellent container plant. Needs to grow on a trellis or support of some kind. Like all thunbergia, shade from hot afternoon sun is a must, otherwise prefers full sun. Prefers moist, well-drained soil. Do not allow to dry out too much. Grows to 10' tall in a container. (5" and 10" pots)

**TIBOUCHINA URVILLEANA (Glory Bush, Princess Flower):** Large, bushy plants of South American origin. Leaves are beautiful alone in that they are fuzzy and give the plant an interesting sheen. But it's the gorgeous violet-blue flowers that are the real attention grabber. Begins flowering in late summer. Must be moved indoors before frost where it can be overwintered near a bright, cool window.

'Jules Dwarf'--"Jules" is a dwarf cultivar of the tibouchina, also known as blue glory bush, developed in Australia by Ken Dunston. "Jules" retains the characteristics of the larger tibouchina, with prolific purple flowers that bloom in summer and fall, but at a much shorter 3-foot height. (10" pot)

**TITHONIA ROTUNDIFOLIA (Mexican Sunflower):** A fast growing, easy-to-care-for annual that provides spectacular bloom over a long season. Tall and abundantly branched with dark green leaves and loads of orange and yellow zinnia-like flowers. Very heat tolerant. Attracts butterflies. Older varieties can grow up to 7'.

'Fiesta del Sol'--2000 AAS Winner. The first truly dwarf tithonia. Single, 2-3" daisy flowers on lush, green foliage, excellent for cut flowers and attracting butterflies. Pest-free. Thrives in summer heat and humidity. Plant in full sun. (2-pack)

'Goldfinger'--Single, 2-3" daisy flowers on lush, green foliage, excellent for cut flowers and attracting butterflies. Pest-free. Thrives in summer heat and humidity. Plant in full sun. A dwarf variety at just 4'. (2-pack)

Torch Series--A quick-growing, gorgeous, tall variety that thrives on summer heat. Super-easy to grow and great for the back-of-the-border. Brilliant orange-scarlet flowers are great for cutting. 48-60" tall. Available in deep orange. (2-pack)

**TOBACCO, FLOWERING:** See Nicotiana

**TORENIA FOURNIERI (Wishbone Flower):** A delicate looking annual for a morning sun location. Plants are generally compact with bright green glossy foliage. Newer varieties have been bred to spread (and root as they go). Flowers are snapdragon-like and always multicolored. Dislikes extreme heat and humidity. They prefer evenly moist, well-drained soil in at least part shade and are actually very shade tolerant.

Catalina Series--Compact and well branching. A great addition to the shade garden. Excellent on its own in a small pot. 10-12" tall and semi-trailing. For shade to part sun. Available in 'Gilded Grape' (yellow with a vibrant purple throat) and Midnight Blue. (5" pot)

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Summer Wave Series--Large, snapdragon-like florets. Bred for hot, humid conditions, unlike regular torenia. Works well in containers or beds. Grows best in half day sun. Trailing. Extremely resistant to pests and diseases. Keep moist and water daily during hot weather. Trim as necessary. Available in blue. Grows 8-12" tall. (5" pot and hanging baskets)

**TRACHELIUM CAERULEUM (Throatwort):** The flower heads of this unusual annual are huge! They are made up of hundreds of tiny, trumpet-shaped, purple, pink or white, lightly perfumed flowers that create an airy mass up to a foot in diameter. Plants are shrub-like, with sharply toothed, dark green leaves and reddish branching stems. Excellent cut flower. Attracts butterflies. Plant in full to part sun.

'Lake Michigan Series'--Upright habit grows to 28-48" tall. One of the best cutting types from the Lake Series. Available only in a mix and not individual colors. (2-pack)

**TRACHELOSPERMUM JASMINOIDES (Star Jasmine, Confederate Jasmine):** Woody, evergreen, twining climber with oval, glossy, dark green leaves. During the summer, fragrant, pure white, 1" flowers appear. Grow in containers in full sun to part shade. Will stay manageable in size here in the North. Prune hard and overwinter indoors. Native to Japan, China and Korea. (10" pot)

**TRADESCANTIA:** See Setcreasea (n.a. 2020) or Wandering Jew

**VERBENA HYBRIDS:** Clusters of primrose-like flowers provide a striking colorful display for window boxes, containers and those hot, dry spots in the garden. Prefers full sun with good air circulation. Verbena is not a shade tolerant plant and will die of mildew if left in damp air. Newer varieties are extremely mildew-resistant. Among the finest low growing bedding plants. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

EnduraScape Series--The first verbena that's hardy in the hottest days of summer, but can take the cold down to the low teens. Superior branching and extremely mildew resistant. This hardy landscape verbena beats them all for summer performance - it takes the heat and stays in flower longer! Vivid colors that last! 8-12" tall and up to 2' wide. Available in pink bicolor. (5" pot)

Firehouse Series--A more compact series of verbena performs well in mixed containers and hanging baskets. Large, colorful flower clusters. Excellent powdery mildew resistance. 8-10" tall and up to 2' wide. Available in light pink, pink, purple, red and white. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Lanai Series--Compact and extremely mildew resistant. Grow in full sun in beds and containers. Flowers are larger than many varieties. Sprawling habit and high mildew tolerance. Grows 8-12" tall. Available in bright pink, 'Twister Pink' (pink and white combo), 'Twister Purple' (purple and white combo) and Upright Lime Green. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

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Obsession Series--A very spreading series. 4" blooms arise and re-flower more rapidly on disease resistant plants that grow both up and out, reaching 8-12" tall and 2' wide. Available in apricot, blue with white eye, burgundy with white eye, red and a 'Spirit' red, white and blue mix . (4-pack)

Obsession Twister Series--It's not just that every cluster of blooms is patterned differently, but every petal on every floret on every cluster! They're like snowflakes -- no two alike, yet all equally lovely. A very spreading series. 4" blooms arise and re-flower more rapidly on disease resistant plants that grow both up and out, reaching 8-12" tall and 2' wide. Available in purple and red. (4-pack)

Superbena Series--This variety is super-large flowered, vigorous and extremely mildew-resistant. Plants are both upright, at up to 12" tall, and cascading. Flowers are humongous. Our most popular verbena for hanging baskets and beds alike. Available in burgundy, coral red, dark blue, large lilac blue, 'Peachy Keen', pink shades, purple, red, 'Royale' Chambray (blue), 'Royale' Plum Wine, 'Sparkling Amethyst' (purple and white bicolor), 'Sparkling Rose', 'Stormburst' (lavender petals edged in white) and Whiteout (pure white). The 'Royales' are a bit more compact than the standard series. (5" pot and/or hanging baskets)

Tuscany Series--This new seed variety rivals cutting propagated verbenas for plant uniformity and sheer blooming power. Spreading 16-20 inches, the Tuscany series of verbenas grows 18-20 inches tall with a compact well branched growing habit. Foliage is deep green. Available in blue, burgundy with an eye, lavender picotee, peach, pink picotee, scarlet with an eye and violet with an eye. (4-pack)

**VERBENA BONARIENSIS (Brazilian Vervain):** This outstanding annual or deserves its popularity. It makes an architectural statement with slender, willowy stems that stand up to 6 feet tall and do not need staking. It then branches out widely near the top where rich lilac-purple flower clusters stand alone, as if they are floating. This verbena makes a great see-through plant. A wonderful cut flower and a bee and butterfly magnet. Self sows readily where growing conditions suit it.

'Buenos Aires'--A free-flowering novelty cut flower and an excellent garden plant. Uniform 3-4' plants are covered with vibrant lavender flowers atop strong, wiry stems. Easy to grow and heat tolerant. Don't let the height scare you in that plants are so airy they are virtually see-thru and, therefore, usable near the front of the border. Surely a conversation piece. (2-pack)

'Meteor Shower'--New from Proven Winners. An airy, tall variety with a long bloom period; pinkish-purple buds that open to lilac flowers, that will eventually mature to nearly white; a great plant for borders or containers. Meteor Shower Verbena features airy clusters of lilac purple flowers with violet overtones at the ends of the stems from late spring to mid fall. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its narrow leaves remain green in color throughout the season. 30" tall. (5" pot)

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**VINCA, CATHARANTHUS (Periwinkle):** A splendid everblooming plant for beds and pots. Showy, durable flowers are abundantly produced, even in the hottest, driest conditions. Blooms are 1 1/2" across and single. Leaves are a dark green and glossy. Extremely pest-resistant. Highly recommended for low maintenance landscaping. Must be planted in full sun. **Selection and availability changes throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Cooler Series--The most popular vinca series. Huge flowers (actually measuring 2 1/4" across) have overlapping petals which give them a rounded, very formal appearance. Thrives in summer heat. Grows up to 14" tall. Deep green foliage. Wonderful in masses in beds. Colors to be determined based on availability from outside vendors, but usually include apricot, lavender, pink, red, white and mixes, many with eyes. (4-pack)

Soiree Double Series--Micro blooming catharanthus which will light up any garden with their amazing flower coverage, vivid eye-drawing colors with deep glossy green foliage. Keeps habit all summer long, has no leggy branches and has tons of flower power. Upright habit. Height: 6-10 inches. Perfect for all kinds of containers, including window boxes, hanging baskets & combination planters. Available in orchid, pink and white. (5" pot)

Soiree Kawaii Series--Micro blooming catharanthus which will light up any garden with their amazing flower coverage, vivid eye-drawing colors with deep glossy green foliage. Keeps habit all summer long, has no leggy branches and has tons of flower power. Upright habit. Height: 6-10 inches. Perfect for all kinds of containers, including window boxes, hanging baskets & combination planters. Available in coral, light purple, pink, red and white peppermint. (5" pot)

**VINCA MAJOR:** A very traditional foliage plant usually used in mixed annual plantings in containers. Oval leaves 1 1/2-3" long; long trailing habit. Fast spreader. Lilac-blue flowers in early spring. Thrives from sun to full shade.

Maculata/paniculata/reticulata--Green-gold splashed on medium-green leaves. Tends to be a bit more vigorous, yet softer looking than the white variegated. (4" coir pot)

Variegata--White/green variegated leaves. The more well known and widely used of our two species. Available in 'Standard' and 'Wojo's Gem' --more compact than the traditional with reverse variegation. In lower light, leaves are quite evenly cream-colored. In higher light, more green contrasting occurs. (4" coir pot)

**VIOLA HYBRIDS (Johnny Jump-up):** The small-flowered pansy. Violas can actually be considered hardy perennials in mild winters and self-sow readily in either case. Flowers are longer lasting than pansies and are edible. Space plants 6" apart in full sun to light shade in loose, fertile loam soil. Water frequently. Violas tend to do best during cool weather. Use as edging or in containers. Fall blooming varieties are becoming

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increasingly available (available late summer). **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Sorbet Series--Unique miniature hybrids combine the charm of violas with the explosive colors of pansies. The compact and mound-shaped plants, 6" high spreading to 12" wide, are very heat and cold tolerant, blooming freely for a long period of time. Available in blue blotch, icy blue, Lemon Chiffon, orange jump-up XP, pink wing XP, primrose blotch XP, purple XP, yellow XP and an XP mix. (4-pack)

**WANDERING JEW, *Tradescantia zebrina*, *Zebrina pendula*:** Yet another tropical that has found it's way from the home to the garden. Striped greenish, silver and purple leaves with stunning purple undersides make a great addition to the mixed container and hanging basket. Blooms sporadically with small lavender blooms. Easily propagated by cuttings in either water or directly into a soilless mix. A stunning and old-fashioned houseplant year round. Outdoors it prefers a part shade to shady location, and although forgiving, it prefers ample moisture. Grows to about 6" tall and spreads indefinitely. Available in purple, 'Rainbow', white and yellow. (5" pot)

**WIRE VINE:** See *Muehlenbeckia*

**ZEA MAYS, var. *japonica* (Ornamental Corn)**--Tall annual cereal grass bearing kernels on large ears: widely cultivated in America in many varieties; the principal cereal in Mexico and Central and South America since pre-Columbian times--yes the same species as the corn we eat, but with a showy twist. For full sun. Kernels can be popped.

'Pink Zebra'--The only dwarf variegated ornamental corn on the market. Gardeners love the dramatic color and texture in their late-season mixed planters and gardens. Green and white striped foliage adds showy purples/red/pinks in cool nights/long days. Each stalk produces many small ears with purple kernels and tassels. Grows to 4-5' tall. (5" pot)

**ZINNIA ELEGANS:** A striking addition to any flower bed, border or even container. Fresh cut bouquets of large, daisy-like flowers will enhance any home decor. Pick arrangements early in the morning to enhance their beauty. Very easy to grow. Requires full sun, heat and good air circulation. They will not tolerate cool, damp or stagnant air. Water early in the day and avoid getting the foliage wet, as mildew could be a problem. Water and fertilize regularly. Pinching young plants will provide denser foliage and more blooms. Deadhead regularly. Height and spacing vary by variety. Attractive to butterflies. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

Benary's Giant Series--Thick, 30-36" stems hold 4-6", fully double blooms. An old variety. Available in purple and a mix of bright colors. (4-pack)

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'Cut & Come Again' Mix--Long-stemmed flowers 2 1/2" across in a blend of pink, bright scarlet, yellow, salmon, white and more. The more you cut, the more they bloom, and they keep blooming from midsummer until frost. Heat-loving and very easy to grow. Great for cutting as well as in the garden. Up to 30" tall. (4-pack)

Dreamland Series--Early flowering with large, showy blooms. Handling heat with ease, they produce masses of blooms up to four inches in diameter. Less susceptible to fungal problems than many zinnias. A dwarf series at just 8-16" tall. Available in a mix of colors. (4-pack)

'Giant Cactus' Mix--Add fireworks to bouquets! Stunning cactus-type flower form with layers of narrow, pointed petals. Large 3-4 inch fully double and semi-double blooms. Sturdy upright plants produce an abundance of flowers in orange, red, yellow, pink, salmon and purple. 24-36" tall. (4-pack)

Lilliput Series--A smaller and earlier variety. Button-type flowers come in the usual array of zinnia colors on 18 to 24 inch plants. If deadheaded, bloom is continuous from mid-summer to the first frost. Available in a mix. (4-pack)

Magellan Series--A giant-flowered, fully double bedding series. Considered the best dwarf series in the world. Height within the series is very consistent at 12-14". Flowers measure up to 5" across! Ideal in both beds and containers. Usually available in a wide range of colors and mixes from outside vendors. (4-pack)

'State Fair' Mix--Large, husky plants with tremendous 6" dahlia-like blooms. The best cut flower zinnia we offer. Excellent color range of lavender, orange, pink, purple, rose and scarlet. Very tolerant to mildew and alternaria. (4-pack)

Swizzle--Interesting novelty series displays big, fully double, bicolor blooms on full, bushy, 10-12" plants. Good for gardens and containers. Available in 'Cherry & Ivory' and 'Scarlet & Yellow. (4-pack)

'Uproar Rose'--Well-branched plants are covered with large, fully double, deep rose blooms. A perfect cut flower! 24-32" tall. (3-pack)

'Zowie Yellow Flame'--A 2006 AAS Winner. These bright, bicolor blooms will give you all the drama of a desert sunset. Each 3-4" semi-double bloom contains a scarlet-rose center with yellow petal edges. Plants have a strong bushy habit and make excellent cut flowers. 22-28" tall. (3-pack)

**ZINNIA MARYLANDICA:** An artificial hybrid between *Z. angustifolia* and *Z. violacea*. The Profusion Series was the first of this type to be made available to the public during the 1990's. **Selection may change throughout the season based on availability from outside vendors.**

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Profusion Series (*Z. angustifolia* x *elegans*)--Something totally new in zinnias and one of the most celebrated of garden annuals to come along in years. They produce single, daisy-like flowers 2" wide. Free-flowering all season; no deadheading is needed! Plant in full sun. Adapts well to containers. The most mildew-resistant zinnia available. Height 12-18". Available in cherry (1999 AAS Winner), apricot, 'Fire' (orange-red), orange, white and yellow and double-flowered cherry, double-flowered deep salmon, double-flowered yellow and an AAS mix. (4-pack)

Zahara Series--All-new disease-tolerant and heat-loving series with larger flowers and stronger colors than the market leaders. These zinnias are very drought tolerant with very low watering needs. Grows to 12-18". Available in XL 'Fire' (orange-red), XL pink, XL yellow, red, 'Rose Starlight' (a 2010 AAS Winner, white and rose bicolor), yellow, 'Raspberry Lemonade' mix and a 'Sunburst' mix and double-flowered varieties including; double bright orange, double 'Fire', double 'Raspberry Ripple', double salmon, double yellow and a double Brilliant mix. (4-pack)