

new varieties SHOWCASE



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Georgie Red Monkey-Flower

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What new plants will be all the rage with the home gardener? Which will grow faster and easier for the grower? Or will perform in containers and in the increasingly popular drought-tolerant garden? And which will play well with other plants in the landscape? The 51 varieties in this year's Farwest Show New Varieties Showcase were selected because they appealed to the diverse interests of the selection committee, which was comprised of growers, landscape designers, a retailer and a garden writer.

"New" is a relative term. For a conifer, "new" may mean it's been around for 12 or more years but production numbers are finally sufficiently large to move it from collector status to making its commercial debut. In the New Varieties Showcase, we look for plants that are new to the trade or are in large-scale production

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for the first time, making them more readily available for purchase. We also look for plants that are different from what's currently on the market and those that will perform well in the landscape and work well for the retailer.

The final criterion for appearing in the showcase is that it is available from a Farwest Show exhibitor so that it's easy to place an order for fall or the coming spring.

This year, the plants will be displayed in a garden-center-like setting, with merchandising ideas for the retailer. The take-it-with-you tags from Macore offer all the vital plant statistics, including Farwest Show booth numbers for the growers and/or breeders.

We hope you discover the next big thing in the plant world in this year's New Varieties Showcase. For location, see map on Pages 56-57.



Golden Aralia

Aralia cordata 'Sun King'

Offered by Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. A seedling selection introduced by Asiatica Nursery, Penn. Zones 3-9

In mid-spring, a wide clump of yellow to chartreuse, compound leaves emerges that will provide color throughout the summer. Small clusters of white, satellite-like flowers appear in late summer, followed by decorative purple berries in the fall. Makes an excellent accent in the shade or part shade garden. Fast growing to 3 feet tall and wide. Use in containers or landscape, where it will light up an evergreen hedge, or underneath dark conifers. Requires moist garden soil.

Available as 72-cell liners from Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. (Booth #6091)



Silver Shadow Astelia

Astelia nervosa × *chathamica* 'Silver Shadow' PBR

Offered by Pacific Plug & Liner Inc. Hybridized by Hamish and Tim Prebble, Texture Plants, New Zealand, and introduced by Concept Plants®. Zone 8

Metallic-silver, *Phormium*-like leaves form a soft, compact 36 to 48-inch mound. The spiky, architectural plant is best grown in full sun in well-drained soils, though it can take part shade conditions. It tolerates drought, strong winds and coastal conditions, and makes an excellent specimen plant for containers.

Available as 72-cell liners from Pacific Plug & Liner (Booth #15136)



Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass

Bouteloua gracilis 'Blond Ambition' PPAF

Offered by Blooming Nursery Inc. Discovered and introduced by David Salman of High Country Gardens, N.M.; marketed by Plant Select®. Zones 4-11

A profusion of brush-like, chartreuse flowers rise up out of the blue-green foliage in mid-summer and are suspended horizontally on stiff, weather-resistant stems. Flowers mature to long-lasting blonde seed heads, offering up to eight months of color and texture in the garden. Use in the mixed border, containers or rock gardens, or in mass plantings. Plant in full sun and well-drained soils. Drought tolerant and a good choice for xeriscaping. Grows quickly into a neat 18-24 inch high by 10-12 inch wide clump; seed heads rise to 3 feet.

Available in #1 containers from Blooming Nursery (Booth #10070)



Flutterby Grandé™ Peach Cobbler Nectar Bush

Buddleia × 'Podaras #5' PPAF

Introduced exclusively by Ball Ornamentals. Bred by Peter Podaras of Cornell University, N.Y. Zones 5-10

Bright pink, full-size (14-16 inches long), fragrant and abundant inflorescences mature to an attractive peach-pink blend. Blooms from early summer until frost and attracts hummingbirds and butterflies. Silvery-colored foliage. Grows 4-6 feet tall and wide. Needs full sun and is drought and heat tolerant. Certified by the Oregon Department of Agriculture as a non-invasive/sterile *Buddleia* variety.

Available as 72-cell and 4-inch liners from Ball Ornamentals (Booth #4090). Licensed growers include Alpha Nursery Inc. (Booth #14130), Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070), Fisher Farms LLC (Booth #7078), Kraemer's Nursery Inc. (Booth #14150), Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078) and Van Belle Nursery Inc. (Booth #4091)

Flutterby™ Pink Nectar Bush

Buddleia × ‘Podaras #9’ PPAF

Introduced exclusively by Ball Ornamentals. Bred by Peter Podaras of Cornell University, N.Y. Zones 5-10.

A fast-growing, dense, mounding (no central leader) *Buddleia* with large mid-pink flower panicles up to 1.5 feet long and 4 inches wide. Blooming continuously from early summer until frost, the inflorescences point upright, creating a unique display. Grows 3-4 feet tall and 4-5 feet wide. Needs full sun and is drought- and heat-tolerant. Certified by the Oregon Department of Agriculture as a non-invasive/sterile *Buddleia* variety.

Available as 32-cell and four-inch liners from Ball Ornamentals (Booth #4090).

Licensed growers include Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070), Fisher Farms LLC (Booth #7078), Kraemer's Nursery Inc. (Booth #14150), Oregon Pride Nurseries Inc. (Booth #12143), Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078) and Youngblood Nursery Inc. (Booth #9078)



Lady in Red Budbloom Heather

Calluna vulgaris ‘Nr 5163’ USPP #20527

Exclusively offered by Ball Ornamentals. Hybridized in Boskoop, The Netherlands. Zones 5-7.

The individual buds of ‘Lady in Red’ open more fully and 10 days to two weeks earlier than other *Calluna*, allowing for a greater show of color. A tight, compact evergreen shrub, it develops clusters of flowers in autumn that last until mid-winter. Grows 10-18 inches tall and wide. Plant in full sun and neutral-to-acid soil. Use for mass color or accent in landscapes, as a fall container plant or as a blooming plant for indoor enjoyment. Deer resistant.

Available as 32-cell and 72-cell liners from Ball Ornamentals (Booth #4090).

Licensed growers include Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070), Eshraghi Nurseries LLC (Booth #9136) and Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078)



Viking Bellflower

Campanula ‘Viking’ USPP #21021, CPBRAE, COPF

Offered by Skagit Gardens Inc. Hybridized by Arie Blom of AB-Cultivars, The Netherlands, and introduced by Plants Nouveau. Zone 5.

‘Viking’ is a sturdy, non-invasive, sterile selection with large lavender, tubular, bell-shaped flowers. Blooms continuously May to July and offers a light fragrance. Short and compact, it grows in full bloom to 18 inches and spreads to a 2-foot-wide clump. It prefers a sunny exposure, with moist but well-drained soil. Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies and also makes an excellent cut flower.

Available as 72-cell liners and #1 containers from Skagit Gardens Inc. (Booth #13130)



Prairie Sentinel® Hackberry

Celtis occidentalis ‘JFS-KSU1’

Introduced by J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co. and Kansas State University. Discovered as a chance seedling growing in a remote, windswept high plain in western Kansas. Zone 4.

The tightly fastigiate, columnar tree grows to form a green leafy spire, atypical of the broad spreading, rounded trees of the species. Medium green leaves that turn yellow in the fall resemble the strongly textured leaves of the Midwestern native hackberry. Well suited for small city lots, narrow streets and other space-challenged urban planting sites. Use for windrows and visual screens.

Reaches a mature height of 45 feet with a spread of 12 feet in 20 years. Tolerant of and adaptable to drought, heat and alkaline soils. Royalties apply.

Available bare root as 5-7 foot whips, 5-foot to 1-inch caliper branched, and in #3, #5 and #7 containers from J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co. (Booth #7120)





Black Sprite Knapweed

Centaurea montana 'Black Sprite' USPPP

Offered by Skagit Gardens Inc. Discovered by Ellen Horning, USA, and introduced by Sunny Border Nurseries. Zone 3.

Silky purplish-black, spidery petals form starbursts atop sturdy gray-green foliage with a silvery cast. Blooms in May and June. Makes an exotic cut flower or display in a mixed border. Needs full sun, good drainage and is drought tolerant once established. Grows low and bushy to 14 inches tall and 2 feet wide. Deer resistant.

Available as 72-cell liners and #1 containers from Skagit Gardens Inc. (Booth #13130)



Ruby Falls Redbud

Cercis canadensis 'Ruby Falls' PPAF

Introduced by PlantHaven Inc. (Booth #6080). Bred by Dr. Dennis Werner at North Carolina State University. Zone 5b.

The only purple-leaved weeping *Cercis canadensis* on the market. It offers reddish-purple flowers on bright red stems and bracts before the large, heart-shaped maroon-red leaves emerge. This dwarf tree grows to a modest 6 feet high and 4 feet wide at maturity. Plant as a specimen or as groups in lawns, woodland gardens or naturalized areas in full sun with well-draining soil situations.

Available as one-year whips from these licensed growers: Bailey Nurseries Inc. (Booth #12130), Hans Nelson & Sons Nursery Inc. (Booth #10100) and J. Frank Schmidt & Sons Co. (Booth #7120)



Can Can Cordyline

Cordyline albertii 'Can Can' PPAF

Introduced by Pacific Plug & Liner. Hybridized by Peter Frazer, Growing Spectrum, New Zealand. Zone 8.

Blade-like foliage emerges with bright pink and green variegation and matures to green. A desirable clumping habit reaches 3 feet tall and wide. Plant in full sun to part shade in well-draining soil; likes regular moisture. Watch for spider mites and mealy bug. A striking specimen plant that can be used in containers and mixed borders. Protect from frost.

Available as 102-cell liners from Pacific Plug & Liner (Booth #15136)



Cha Cha Cordyline

Cordyline albertii 'Cha Cha' PPAF

Introduced by Pacific Plug & Liner. Hybridized by Peter Frazer, Growing Spectrum, New Zealand. Zone 8.

Blade-like foliage offers a peach and yellow variegation. Its clumping habit reaches 3 feet tall and wide. Plant in full sun to part shade in well-draining soil; likes regular moisture. Watch for spider mites and mealy bug. Use in containers and mixed borders and protect from frost.

Available as 102-cell liners from Pacific Plug & Liner (Booth #15136)

Flower Tower Tickseed

Coreopsis tripteris 'Flower Tower'

Offered by Blooming Nursery Inc. Hybridized by Brent Horvath of Intrinsic Perennial Gardens Inc., Ill. Zones 3-9.

Taller and sturdier than the species, 'Flower Tower' grows 6-10 feet high and 3-5 feet wide. Stems are multi-branched to show a profusion of 2-1/2 to 3-inch yellow-gold flowers. Blooms appear in late summer and continue through early fall; excellent as cut flowers.

Winter seed heads attract songbirds to the garden. Use in a cottage, meadow, prairie or wildflower garden and as a specimen in the back of a perennial border. Plant in full sun to part shade, in well-drained soil conditions. Prune in spring when new growth emerges.

Available as quarts and #2 containers from Blooming Nursery (Booth #10070)



Scent First™ Sugar Plum Dianthus

Dianthus 'WP08 IAN04'

Introduced by PlantHaven Inc. (Booth #6080). Hybridized by Whetman Pinks Ltd., United Kingdom. Zone 5.

'Sugar Plum' offers chocolate-colored buds, wavy petals of maroon, pink and white, and fragrant double blooms in this newest edition to the Scent First™ series. Compact mounding habit to 10 inches tall and wide makes it a good choice for containers, borders, mass plantings and cut flowers. Best grown in full sun in well-drained soil. No vernalization is required.

Available as plugs, quarts and gallons from these licensed growers: Pacific Plug & Liner (Booth #15136) and Skagit Gardens Inc. (Booth #13130)



Double Scoop Orangeberry Coneflower

Echinacea hybrida 'Double Scoop Orangeberry' PPAF

Introduced by Darwin Perennials. Hybridized by Jianping Ren, Ill., from controlled crosses of *E. purpurea* and *E. paradoxa*. Zones 5-8.

The orange and red bi-color, double-flowered *Echinacea* grows to 22-24 inches high and 20-22 inches wide. Proven hardy to zone 5. Plant should be established in a well-drained, sunny garden location before shorter fall days for best results. Selected for its shorter, more compact, branched habit than other double *Echinacea*.

Available as large or small liners and bare root plants from Ball Seed Company (Booth #4090)



Sombrero Salsa Red Coneflower

Echinacea hybrida 'Sombrero Salsa Red' PPAF

Introduced by Darwin Perennials. Hybridized by Jianping Ren, Ill., from controlled crosses of *E. purpurea* and *E. paradoxa*. Zones 5-8.

A compact, well-branched, rich red, non-fading *Echinacea* with overlapping petals and a flat flower form. Proven zone 5 hardiness. Plant in full sun *en masse* or as accents in the garden. Grows 18-20 inches high by 20-22 inches tall. Plant should be established before shorter fall days for best results in a well-drained, sunny garden location. Selected for increased lateral branching in the field and for more reliable tissue culture production.

Available as large or small liners and bare root plants from Ball Seed Company (Booth #4090)





Tarpan Deep Rose Strawberry

Fragaria × ananassa Duch 'Tarpan Deep Rose'

Offered by T & L Nursery Inc. Hybridized by ABZ Seeds, The Netherlands. Zone 5.

A very early flowering variety, the large, semi-double deep rose blooms appear all summer and into autumn. The day-neutral character of the F-1 hybrid means harvest continues as long as growing circumstances remain favorable. Even in annual culture, yields of the medium-size, bright red, elongated fruit are acceptable. Makes many runners. Use as a groundcover, in hanging baskets or containers and in the edible garden. Matures to 1 foot tall by 2 feet wide. Grow in a sunny area and keep soil moist.

Available as 10-inch baskets from T & L Nursery Inc. (Booth #1078)



Red Sun Blanket Flower

Gaillardia × grandiflora 'Red Sun' PPAF PVR

Bred and introduced by Terra Nova Nurseries Inc., Ore. Zones 3-9.

Bright orange-red flowers appear above dense, compact foliage. Blooms continuously spring to fall. Tolerant of poor soil and hot sun. Fast growing to 10 inches tall —14 inches in flower — and 20 inches wide. Use in containers, borders or mass plantings, even in neglected areas of the garden.

Available as 72-cell liners from Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. (Booth # 6091)



Hooker's Wintergreen

Gaultheria hookeri

Offered by Briggs Plant Propagators LLC. Discovered in 1882 by J.D. Hooker, India. Zones 7-9.

Pale blue to purple fruit offers a new berry color, adding to this shrub's ornamental show. Leaves are more elongated, and the plant offers a more mounded habit than the Pacific Northwest native Salal (*Gaultheria shallon*). As with other gaultheria, *G. hookeri* has bell-shaped, white flowers in late spring/early summer, and evergreen foliage. It makes an attractive understory plant and companion to rhododendrons, though it can also be grown in containers. In filtered light, it acts as a mounding groundcover to 24-36 inches tall and 36-48 inches wide. Prefers well-drained soil and part to full shade.

Available as L2 (2-1/4 inch) liners from Briggs Plant Propagators LLC (Booth #9114)



Street Keeper[®] Honeylocust

Gleditsia triacanthos 'Draves' USPP #21698

Introduced by J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co. and Tim Brotzman. Parent tree was discovered growing on a city street in western New York. Zone 4.

The columnar canopy is about half as wide as those of the species. Refined, dark green leaflets that turn yellow in autumn are finer textured and darker green than is typical of the species and other cultivars. Ideal as a street tree, it will reach a height of 45 feet, with a spread of 20 feet. The original tree is nearly seedless. Royalties apply.

Available as bare root 5-7 foot whips, 6 feet to 1-3/4 inch caliper branched, and as 6-foot #7 containers, 1-inch caliper #10 containers, and 1-1/2 inch caliper #20 containers from J. Frank Schmidt & Son Co. (Booth #7120)

Redstone Falls Trailing Foamflower

Heucherella 'Redstone Falls' PPAF PVR

Bred and Introduced by Terra Nova Nurseries Inc., Ore. Zones 4-9.

The first groundcover *Heucherella* with a trailing habit, it mounds then sends out trailing stems and spreads low. Broadly lobed coppery-colored leaves with dark veins change colors with the seasons. Good spilling out of a container in sun or part shade, or use in mixed beds. *Heuchera villosa* breeding enhances the usability in many regions. Vigorous grower.

Blooms attract butterflies June to September. Grows to 10 inches and trailing to 3 feet. Requires regular water and well-draining garden soil.

Available as 72-cell liners from Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. (Booth # 6091)

Solar Eclipse Foamflower

Heucherella 'Solar Eclipse' PPAF, EU-derived variety

A mutation of *Heucherella* 'Solar Flare'; both bred and introduced by Terra Nova Nurseries Inc., Ore. Zones 4-9.

Broadly scalloped red brown leaves are bordered in lime green. Creamy white flowers appear April through June. Forms a vigorous mound 10 inches high by 16 inches wide; flowers grow to 16 inches. Will take sun to shade but needs well-drained soils. Use in the shade garden, massed in borders or in a mixed container.

Available as 72-cell liners from Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. (Booth # 6091)

You-Me Passion Hydrangea

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Rie 4' USPP #16653, COPF

Introduced by PlantHaven Inc. (Booth #6080).

Hybridized by Ryoji Irie, Japan. Zone 5.

Double blooms at first give a typical lacecap look, then fill to create a full mop. Continuously blooming from spring into fall, flowers are soft pink in color or blue when treated with aluminum sulfate.

Sturdy, upright, basal branches to 4 feet tall by 3 feet wide. Can be grown for use as an indoor floral potted plant or outdoor ornamental flowering shrub where it is best grown in part shade and moist soils.

Available as unrooted cuttings from a PlantHaven Inc. licensed grower

Little Lime™ Hydrangea

Hydrangea paniculata 'Jane' PPAF, CBRAF #3914

Introduced by Spring Meadow Nursery Inc. Hybridized by Tim Wood, Spring Meadow Nursery Inc., Mich. Zones 3-9.

About one-third the size of Limelight®, 'Little Lime' is its dwarf form with the same lime-green flowers in early summer that mature to pink and burgundy in autumn. Grows in sun or part shade in well-drained soil. Grows 3-5 feet tall and wide and blooms on new wood. Use in the landscape in the mixed border or as a foundation plant, as a "thriller" in containers, and as cut flowers.

Available as 2-1/4 inch, 4 inch, and quart-size liners from Spring Meadow Nursery, Inc. (Proven Winners ColorChoice®, Booth #15124), and #1 and #3 containers from these licensed growers: Fisher Farms LLC (Booth #7078) and Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078)





Fire and Ice Panicle Hydrangea

Hydrangea paniculata 'Wim's Red' PPAF

Introduced exclusively by Ball Ornamentals. From a professional breeding program in Europe; evaluated in North America. Zones 3-8.

Growing to 6-10 feet tall and wide, 'Fire and Ice' displays large, conical, creamy white blooms in early summer that turn deep red in autumn. Blooms abundantly and earlier than many *H. paniculata* varieties. Foliage is an attractive green-red on dark red stems. Plant in partial shade. It is heat-tolerant. Vigorous and easy to grow, it makes a good foundation or accent plant, or screen when planted together.

Available as #2, #3, #5 and #7 containers from Ball Ornamentals (Booth #4090). Licensed growers include Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070), Gold Hill Nursery Sales (Booth #9106), Fisher Farms LLC (Booth #7078), Kraemer's Nursery Inc. (Booth #14150), Oregon Pride Nurseries Inc. (Booth #12143), and Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078)



Little Rascal® Improved Holly

Ilex x meserveae 'MonNieves' PPAF

Exclusively offered by Monrovia Growers. Discovered by Garcia Nieves at Monrovia Nursery, Ore. Zones 5-9.

Dark, spiny evergreen foliage matures to a burgundy red in the autumn and winter months. Slow growing to an upright, compact 4 feet tall and wide; shear annually to shape. Use as a pollinator. Higher disease resistance in container production, and deer resistant. Use in irregular groups for naturalistic planting schemes or line up as an informal edging. Functions well in containers and as a foundation plant. Plant in full sun; needs regular watering, particularly in extreme heat.

Available as #1, #2, #5 and #7 containers from Monrovia Growers (Booth #9130)



Blueberry Ruffles™ Spanish Lavender

Lavandula stoechas 'Blueberry Ruffles'™ PPAF

Offered by Blooming Nursery Inc. Bred by Steve Eggleton, Australia. Zones 7-11.

Light pink bracts appear above violet-blue flowers in late spring. Butterflies and bees are attracted to the many early and repeat blooms that rise above the fragrant gray-green, needle-like foliage. Heat, humidity and drought tolerant. Uniform mounding growth habit to 2 feet tall and wide. Use in mass plantings or in the perennial border, herb garden or container.

Available as #1 containers from Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070)



Bridal Bouquet Dwarf Shasta Daisy

Leucanthemum x superbum 'Bridal Bouquet' PPAF, PVR

Bred and introduced by Terra Nova Nurseries Inc., Ore. Zones 5-8.

Lightly ruffled, double, broad-petaled white flowers are bright yellow when they first emerge. Habit is a naturally dwarf and compact 8 inches tall by 20 inches wide; no need for PGRs. Flowers June to October and blooms don't have the "Shasta smell." Use *en masse*, in a mixed bed, or container. Does well in the Deep South.

Available as 72-cell liners from Terra Nova Nurseries Inc. (Booth #6091)

Georgie Red Monkey-Flower

Mimulus aurantiacus 'Georgie Red' PPAF

Introduced exclusively by Ball Ornamentals. Bred by Dr. Scott Trees, Calif. Zones 9a-11.

An orange border edges the deep red blooms, which are produced April through autumn. 'Georgie Red' has the large flowers notable in the 'Georgie' *Mimulus* series. Attractive to hummingbirds and butterflies. Heat tolerant and needs little water. An evergreen shrub with a mounding habit, it grows 24-36 inches tall and 18-36 inches wide. Use as a low maintenance accent in a sunny border, rock garden or in mixed containers.

Available as 72-cell liners from Ball Ornamentals (Booth #4090). Licensed growers include Ball Tagawa Growers (Booth #4090), and Van Essen Nursery Co. (Booth #4078)

3D Daisy (Cape Daisy)

Osteospermum ecklonis PPAF, UPAF

Introduced by Ball FloraPlant. Bred by Dr. Andrea Dohm of Selecta Klemm, Germany. Zones 9-10.

The first double cape daisy. It stays open at night and during cool dark days instead of having the "sleepy flowers" of its relatives.

Does not require special treatment by the grower. It makes an excellent cool season bedding plant and performs well in large mixed containers or grouped as a single variety. Grows 12-18 inches tall by 16-24 inches wide depending on location. In a mild climate, it can be overwintered but becomes shrubby. Color varieties are silver, pink and purple. Propagation prohibited; royalty collected.

Available as unrooted cuttings, liners and finished as 6-inch, #1 and larger containers from Ball Horticulture (Booth #4090)

Plum Crazy Wood Sorrel

Oxalis 'Plum Crazy' PPAF

Introduced by T & L Nursery Inc. Discovered by Sunshine Enterprises LLC, Wash. Zone 8.

Pink, fuchsia and green variegation splash the clover-like leaves creating a bright spot for the moist shade garden. Pale yellow flowers emerge in spring. Use as a groundcover or in containers. Grows 6 inches tall by 12 inches wide.

Available as 4" pots from T & L Nursery Inc. (Booth #1078)

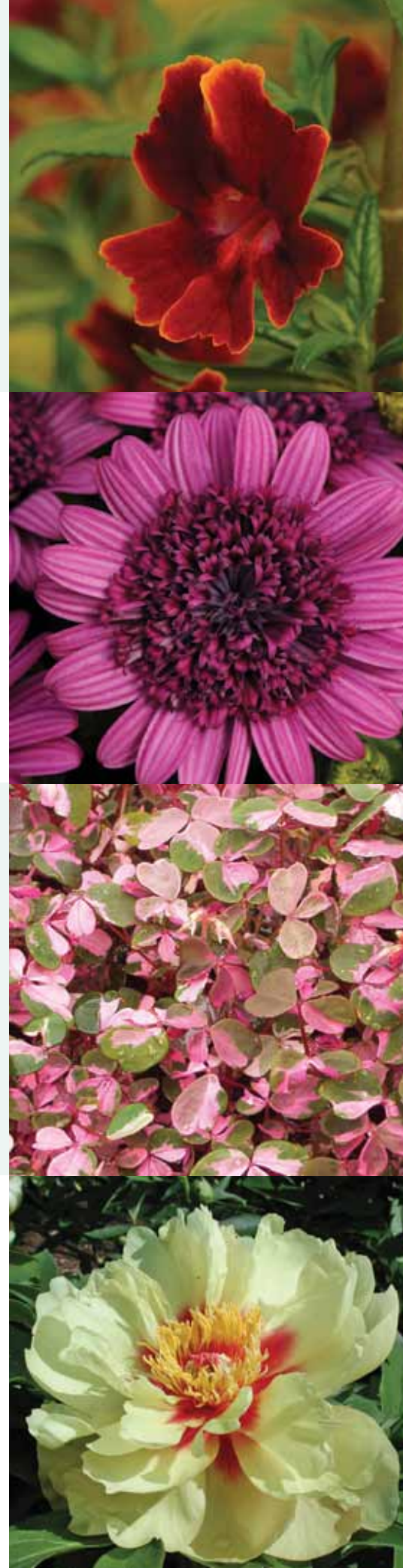
Misaka™ Itoh Peony

Paeonia × 'Smith Opus 1' PPAF

Exclusively offered by Monrovia Growers. Hybridized by Don Smith, Mass. Zones 4-8.

The name *misaka* translates to "beautiful blossom." Eight-inch, mildly fragrant flowers appear orange/amber when first opening — very rare among intersectional hybrids — fading to a peachy-yellow with prominent, dark-red central flares. As the plant matures, secondary buds form on strong stems giving an extended flowering season. Solid green foliage lasting to first frost is a valuable ornamental feature in the border. Use as a focal point in a sunny perennial or cutting garden; requires well-drained soil. Can be used as an understory plant in light dappled shade situations with morning sun though flowering will be more sparse. Compact, globular habit reaches 3 feet tall and wide.

Available as #5 containers from Monrovia Growers (Booth #9130)





Green Penguin Scotch Pine

Pinus sylvestris 'Green Penguin'

Introduced by J Farms LLC. Discovered in a seedling group by Jim Lewis of J Farms LLC, Ore. Zone 3.

Named 'Green Penguin' because it is a hardy, fat little pine with a broad base. The tufted juvenile needles are surrounded by longer needles more typical of scotch pines, giving it additional texture. Unlike seedling Scotch pine, the green needle color is retained all year. Adds only 2-3 inches of growth a year; matures to 3-1/2 to 4 feet tall with a 1-1/2 to 2 foot base in 10 years. Extreme hardiness has been reported in trials in Duluth, Minn. The very dense pyramidal form never needs pruning. Requires full sun. Use in the landscape where small vertical accents are needed or in a large container planting.

Available as tree bands and #1 containers from J Farms LLC (Booth #9087)



Prince Charming Solomon's Seal

Polygonatum biflorum nanum 'Prince Charming' PPAF

Offered by Blooming Nursery. Selected by Brent Horvath of Intrinsic Perennial Gardens Inc., Ill., in cooperation with Chicagoland Grows®. Zones 4-8.

A three season perennial, 'Prince Charming' starts in spring with 12-inch arching stems of blue-green foliage and a profusion of creamy-white flowers followed by green berries that turn purple in autumn, a nice contrast to the golden yellow fall leaves. Deer resistant. Best used in the semi-shade mixed perennial border or a woodland garden setting; can tolerate full sun, which heightens the blue cast of the leaves, with a moist, well-drained soil. Moderate growth rate to 8-12 inches high and 24-36 inches wide.

Available as quarts and #1 containers from Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070)



Weeping Extraordinaire™ Double Flowering Cherry

Prunus 'Extrazam'

Introduced by Lake County Nursery/LCN Selections. Discovered by Jim Zampini of Lake County New Plants, Ohio. Zone 5.

Extra large, double, light pink flowers are set off by glossy, hunter green foliage with copper new growth. Flowers appear fluffy due to their extra petal count and serration. Leaves turn burgundy in autumn and hold on the tree, making it the last of the cherries to drop their fall foliage. Grows 15-20 feet tall and wide and is a vigorous grower for a weeping cherry. Use as an accent tree and site in a sunny location with moist, well-drained soil. Royalties apply.

Available as bare root liners through these licensed growers: Carlton Plants LLC (Booth #5106), Hans Nelson & Sons Nursery Inc. (Booth #10100), and John Holmlund Nursery (Booth #6085)



Spring Fragrance Rhododendron

Rhododendron hybrida 'Spring Fragrance'

Introduced by Briggs Plant Propagators LLC. Crossed by Frank Fujioka, Wash., in 1995. Parentage is (*R. yakushmanum* × *R. 'Loderi Venus'*) × *R. 'Van Ness Sensation'*. Zone 7 (H3).

'Spring Fragrance' combines the best attributes of its parents: fragrance, large showy trusses and a compact habit. Fragrant, pale pink flowers bloom in spring. Sun tolerant, the evergreen shrub is mounding to 4 feet tall and wide. Regular water and well-drained soil is required. Performs well in mixed borders, as a specimen or in mass plantings.

Available as micropropagation, L2 (2-1/4 inch) liners, and quarts (4-inch) from Briggs Plant Propagators LLC (Booth #9114)

Icy Drift® Groundcover Rose

Rosa sp. ‘Meipicdevoj’ PPAF

Introduced by The Conard-Pyle Company/Star® Roses.
Hybridized by Meilland International, France. Zones 4-10.

The newest addition to the Drift® Series and the most prostrate form. Small white double blooms are borne in abundant clusters from late spring until frost. Full, spreading plants are resistant to rust, powdery mildew and black spot. Plant will remain a low growing rose year after year; grows to 1-1/2 feet high with a 2-1/2 foot spread. Ideal for small gardens or along paths or walkways. Plant in full sun. Flowers are 1-inch in diameter with a slight fragrance and average 30 blooms per stem. Grown own root.

Available as finished plants from Alpha Nursery Inc. (Booth #14130), liners from Greenheart® (Booth #9117) and bare root from Star® Roses (Booth #9089)

Orchid Romance™ Floribunda Rose

Rosa sp. ‘Radprov’, plant patent protection to be sought

Introduced by The Conard-Pyle Company/Star® Roses.
Hybridized by William Radler, Wis. Zones 6-9.

‘Orchid Romance’ is an old fashioned rose with the improved disease resistance of modern roses. Seventy-five petals form 3-4 inch cuplike “old rose” fragrant flowers that are pink with lavender undertones. It has an upright and bushy habit, growing 4-1/2 feet high and 3 feet wide. Best used in sunny mixed borders with moist, well-drained soil.

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Sunshine Daydream Grandiflora Rose

Rosa hybrida ‘Meikanaro’, plant patent protection to be sought

Introduced by The Conard-Pyle Company/Star® Roses.
Hybridized by Meilland International, France. Zones 6-9.

‘Sunshine Daydream’ has large, cuplike, fully double, buttercream-yellow flowers that clean well. Habit is upright and very bushy with dark green glossy foliage. Grows 5 to 5-1/2 feet tall and 4 feet wide. ‘Sunshine Daydream’ is the first grandiflora rose to win an AARS award under no-spray trialing conditions. Best used in sunny, moist, mixed borders. Grown own root.

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Eyeconic™ Pink Lemonade Hulthemia Rose

Rosa hybrida ‘Sprolempink’, plant patent protection to be sought

Introduced by Star® Roses. Hybridized by Jim Sproul, Calif. Breeding work has focused on developing re-blooming roses with the unique hulthemias’ red blotch that also offer the pleasing habit and disease resistance of modern roses. Zones 6-9.

A breakthrough rose. Single, melon-colored blooms — with a red ring typical of hulthemias — finish shell pink, with the red blotch turning purple. Bushy and compact with dark glossy foliage, Pink Lemonade grows 3 feet tall and wide. Use toward the front of a mixed border or as a specimen. Requires moist soil in a sunny, well-drained location. Good resistance to mildew and rust. Better resistance to black spot than other Hulthemia roses, but they are still susceptible; distribution will be limited to the Western U.S.

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Eyeconic™ Lemonade Hulthemia Rose

Rosa hybrida 'Sprolem', plant patent protection to be sought

Introduced by Star® Roses. Hybridized by Jim Sproul, Calif. Breeding work has focused on developing re-blooming roses with the unique hulthemias' red blotch that also offer the pleasing habit and disease resistance of modern roses. Zones 6-9.

A breakthrough rose. Single, bright yellow blooms with a red ring typical of hulthemias. Has a bushy habit with dark green, glossy foliage. Grows 4-1/2 feet tall and wide. Use toward the front of a mixed border or as a specimen. Requires a moist, sunny, well-drained location. Good resistance to mildew and rust. Better resistance to black spot than other Hulthemia roses but they are still susceptible; distribution will be limited to the Western U.S.

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Prime-Ark® 45 Everbearing Blackberry

Rubus Prime-Ark® 45 Primocane PPAF

Offered by Weeks Berry Nursery Inc. Hybridized by University of Arkansas. Zones 4-8.

Provides a high quality, medium to large berry with excellent postharvest handling to allow production of berries for local and shipping markets in the late summer to fall fruiting season in areas where it is adapted. Overall fruit flavor ratings and yields were higher than previous primocane-fruiting releases. Later ripening date could be an asset where later fruiting is desired but may be an issue in northern areas. Thorny. Requires moist soil in a sunny location; raised beds are recommended.

Offered as two-year bare root by Weeks Berry Nursery Inc. (Booth #2106)



Little Goldstar Black-Eyed Susan

Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii 'Little Goldstar' USPPP

Offered by Skagit Gardens Inc. Hybridized by Georg Uebelhart of Jelitto Seeds, Germany. Zone 4.

'Little Goldstar' is floriferous, compact and well-branched, with closely spaced 2-inch flowers held just above the foliage. The golden yellow flowers have a dark brown cone and bloom July through October. Grows to a tidy 14-16 inches tall and 16 inches wide. Attracts butterflies and songbirds. Looks good in containers and sited in well-drained soil in full sun or part shade.

Available as 72-cell liners and #1 containers from Skagit Gardens Inc. (Booth #13130)



Heatwave™ Salvia

Salvia gregii 'Heatwave'™ Series PPAF

Offered by Pacific Plug & Liner. Originating from Australia and introduced by Pride of Place Plants, Canada. Zone 7.

There are five vibrant flower colors in the Heatwave™ series: Scarlet ('Blaze'), coral ('Blast', shown in photo), soft pink ('Glimmer'), lavender-pink ('Glitter') and magenta ('Sparkle'). It's an evergreen shrub that is easy to grow — less brittle with excellent branching, which makes for a more grower-friendly habit — and tolerant of dry conditions. After the first flush of large flowers, trim by half to encourage further flowering and a denser habit. Grows to 30 inches tall and wide with an upright habit. Needs full sun in a well-draining site. An excellent filler in mixed borders or in containers.

Available as 72-cell liners from Pacific Plug & Liner Inc. (Booth #15136)

Fragrant Valley™ Himalayan Sweetbox

Sarcococca hookeriana var. *humilis* 'SarSid1'

USPP #19942, CPBR #3496

Selected and introduced by Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd., B.C., Canada. Zone 6.

Fragrant Valley™ offers the same low mounding habit as the species but it is more vigorous and has longer and narrower leaves. White, highly fragrant blooms with pink tips bloom in late winter. For the grower, Fragrant Valley™ is vigorous and quickly fills a #1 container. A deer and disease resistant shade plant. Grows to 18 inches high and 3 feet wide.

Available as 2-1/4 inch liners to #3 containers from Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd. (Booth #6094)

Fragrant Mountain™ Himalayan Sweetbox

Sarcococca hookeriana var. *humilis* 'SarSid2'

USPP #19951, CPBR #3497

Selected and introduced by Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd., B.C., Canada. Zone 6.

Leaves are larger, more rounded and glossier than the species. An upright spreader, it grows 2 feet tall by 3 feet wide in the landscape, a lower maintenance and pest resistant alternative for *Skimmia* and *Prunus* 'Otto Luyken'. White, highly fragrant blooms with pink tips bloom in late winter. A deer- and disease-resistant shade plant.

Available as 2-1/4 inch liners to #3 containers from Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd. (Booth #6094)

Mariposa Violet Pincushion Flower

Scabiosa columbaria 'Mariposa Violet' USPPP

Offered by Skagit Gardens Inc. Hybridized by John Robb, Australia, and introduced by Outback Plants. Zone 5 (still in testing phase).

Exceptionally large and fully-double, deep-violet flowers are held on upright, sturdy stems June through October. Blooms attract hummingbirds and butterflies. Foliage is bushy, vigorous with a height of 10-12 inches — flowers rise an additional 6 inches — with a 12-inch spread. Best in beds, borders and cut flower gardens. 'Mariposa Blue' is also part of the series.

Available as 72-cell liners and #1 containers from Skagit Gardens, Inc. (Booth #13130)

Sparkler® Willow-Leaf Stachyurus

Stachyurus salicifolia 'MonEmeri'

Exclusively offered by Monrovia Growers. Discovered by Dan Hinkley in China. Zones 7-10.

A late-winter-flowering shrub with graceful arching stems sports bamboo-like leathery, green foliage. Profuse, showy, long, soft yellow catkins appear in March. Reaches 10-12 feet tall by 8 feet wide. Evergreen in mild climates. Prefers light shade and slightly acidic, humus-rich, well-drained soils.

Available as #5 containers from Monrovia Growers (Booth #9130)





Bountiful Blue™ Blueberry

Vaccinium corybosum 'FLX-2' PPAF

Exclusively offered by Monrovia Growers. Hybridized by Fall Creek Farm & Nursery Inc., Ore., in collaboration with Monrovia Growers. Zones 6-10.

'Bountiful Blue'™ offers many ornamental qualities as a landscape shrub including pink new growth, spring white blooms, and blue summer foliage that turns purplish in the fall. The homeowner will be rewarded with a heavy set of large, sweet berries. It will set fruit alone but is more prolific when planted near another southern high-bush blueberry. Semi-evergreen in warmer climates. Prefers full sun — or dappled shade in warmer regions — and acidic soil. Moderate grower to 3-4 feet tall and wide. Can be used in ornamental plantings, in the edible garden, as a hedge or low screen and performs well as a container plant.

Available as #2 containers from Monrovia Growers (Booth #9130)



Whirlaway™ Periwinkle

Vinca minor 'Vinsid1' USPP #20409, CPBR #3681

Selected and introduced by Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd., B.C., Canada. Zone 4.

Chartreuse variegation edged in darker green appears on new growth, maturing to dark green. A profuse bloomer, large pin wheeled-shaped flowers appear in spring through mid-summer. Use as a groundcover in mass plantings and as a "spiller" in containers. Bushy in habit, it grows 6 inches tall and 3 feet wide. An adaptable plant, it performs in sun to shade and is drought and heat tolerant.

Available as 2-1/4 inch liners to #1 containers from Sidhu & Sons Nursery Ltd. (Booth #6094)



Orange Carpet® Creeping Hummingbird Trumpet

Zauschneria garrettii 'Orange Carpet'®

Offered by Blooming Nursery. A selection by David Salman of High Country Gardens, N.M., from seed collected in Idaho. Zones 3-8.

A fast, low growing, loose mat reaching 8-12 inches in height and width, 'Orange Carpet' is covered in small, orange-scarlet trumpet blooms from mid-summer into the fall. Regular watering when in bloom keeps the flowers coming. Attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, and is deer-resistant. Lance-shaped green-gray leaves are evergreen in mild winter regions. Needs well-drained, compost-enriched soil with a pH of 6-8. Use in the rock garden, perennial border, mass plantings or in containers. A light pruning in the spring may be required. Prefers sun but can tolerate partial shade, especially at lower elevations.

Available as quarts and #1 containers from Blooming Nursery Inc. (Booth #10070)

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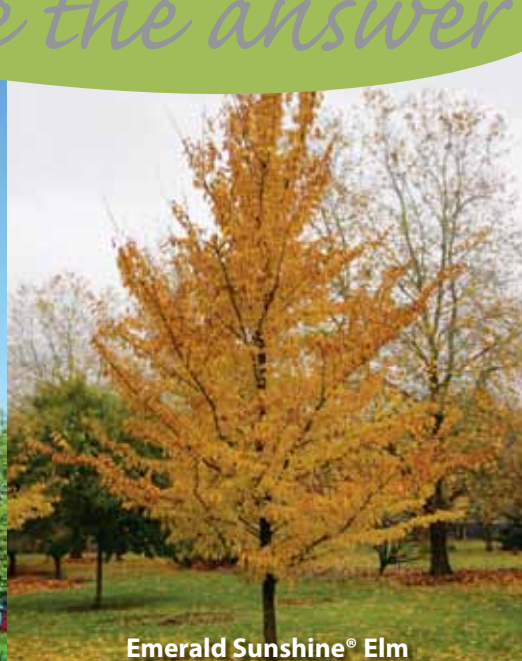
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