

Welcome to the 2004 catalogue - I am trying to phase out producing a paper catalogue so in future years this can be found on my website. This is in its infancy, hopefully in time, pictures and fuller descriptions will be added. The website address is: www.uuplants.co.uk.

Again there are no prices in the catalogue this is because they vary according to size of pot, I try to regularly pot on plants. For plants in three-quarter litre pot the standard price is £3.30 for an easily propagated plant, in an one litre pot it is £3.50, a very competitive price compared to garden-centre prices, rarer and more difficult plants vary accordingly. The compost used is a very high quality, containing loam, peat, grit and bark as well as slow-release fertilizer and a new active and very effective vine weevil preventative. Up to date price lists are available at the nursery on request. Regrettably I have no facilities to take credit cards, only cheques (with guarantee card) or cash can be taken. Extra brownie points are given to those who bring their own box, it is increasingly difficult to provide boxes, supermarkets no longer keep them. I try to offer plants of flowering size but this does not guarantee successful flowering, which is dependant on giving the plants the correct growing conditions, as well as remembering that the prevailing climate can often affect flowering. Not all the plants are available immediately, and climatic conditions can affect availability. Please remember that I cannot have all the varieties listed available when the nursery first opens.

The car-park situation remains unresolved (the council is very reluctant to allow another opening to the main road) so we muddle on through - with patience and care several cars can be parked in the drive and of course the verge can be used but please pull OFF the road. If you have children in the car please USE the drive.

If you missed my moment of glory, the nursery was featured in the October 2003 edition of 'The English Garden'. The epithet 'Golden and Healthy' will probably stay with me for life, so I plan to have a border to match this honour. The show garden now has wonderful outline plans produced by Jane Edmonds (previously of Plantaholics Nursery) now all I need is the time to do them justice.

To avoid sounding like a recipient of an Oscar, I cannot name everyone to whom I would like to give my thanks so to the members of my family who clean, cook, iron and guard the nursery, and to my friends who sow seeds, pot on, garden and give plants. Please remember all of you I am very grateful.

I look forward to welcoming old and new customers to the nursery in 2004. I shall be attending the following Plant Fairs :

Sunday	25 April	Museum of Garden History Spring Plant Fair, Lambeth, London (10.30-5)
Sunday	2 May	Spring Plant Sale featuring 4 local nurseries at Southease, Nr Lewes. (12.30-4.30)
Saturday	8 May	Savill Garden Plant Fair - to be held at Virginia Water Car Park (10-5)
Sunday	16 May	Pashley Manor, Ticehurst (10.30-5)
Thursday	20 May	Sotherby's, Billingshurst (in aid of St Catherine's Hospice) (10.30-4.30)
Wednesday	2 June	Sutton Valence School, Nr Maidstone (aid of Garden for Disabled Trust) (11.15-4)
Saturday	19 June	Unusual Plants Fair, Gilbert White's House, Selbourne, Hampshire (11-5)
Sunday	4 July	Borde Hill, Nr Balcombe, W.Sussex(10-5)
Sat	10 Sun	11 July Parham House Garden Weekend, Pulborough, W.Sussex (11-6)
Sunday	18 July	Chenies Manor Garden Fair, Nr Amersham, Buckinghamshire (10-5)
Sunday	8 August	Great Comp, Nr Borough Green(11-5)
Sunday	15 August	Pashley Manor, Ticehurst (10.30-5)
Sunday	4 Sept	Wisley Car Park for the NCCPG Surrey Group (Time to be confirmed)
Saturday	11 Sept	Hardy Plant Kent Grp Annual Show, Belmont Park, ThrowleyNr Faversham (11-5)

I will also be present at Hankham Hall Cottage, Hankham (by invitation of Mr/Mrs Buller) in aid of National Garden Scheme (NGS) on Sunday 27 June and Sunday 22 August from 2-5.30 and Bates Green Farm, Arlington (by invitation of Mr/Mrs McCutchan) in aid of NGS on Sunday 11 April, Sunday 13 June and Sunday 12 September from 11-5

PLEASE NOTE: GIANT ANNUAL SALE FIRST TWO WEEKS IN OCTOBER - Selling off surplus stock as reducing range of plants available in 2005.

AGASTACHE

'Giant' - From Belgium this new variety is a veritable 'Giant' amongst the others reaching almost 4ft.

Long flowering with lavender blue spikes from about June til November. 48"H

'Globetrotter' - New Dutch selection with striking, almost luminous, purple flowers from contrasting pink calyces in rounded terminal heads from June to September. 30"H. Later

rugosa 'Korean Zest' - The aromatic foliage becomes increasingly deep red as flowering begins ,intense purple flowers spikes for extended season.. 24"H

- **r. pink-flowered** - As above but with spikes of soft pink flowers top the plant for weeks and weeks during the Summer. 24"H

ALBUCA shawii - Perennial bulb from South Africa, this has sword-shaped leaves and spikes of yellow, bell shaped flowers, reminiscent of a Fritillaria but sweetly scented. This can produce several flowering stems during the season. Easily propagated from seed. 18"H

ALLIUM

Ornamental onions enjoy full sun in reasonable soil, can be used to great effect in any border giving vertical accents where needed. The seed heads are very ornamental and should be left to create long-lasting features. Good intermingled with other plants where their dying foliage can be obscured, it often withers before flowering.

cyaneum AGM - Small flowers of a beautiful blue in rounded heads over grassy leaves. Lovely for planting in a carpet of silvery foliage such as Artemisia stelleriana. 18"H

'Globemaster' - Huge 10in violet-purple heads on very long flowering variety, as new florets follow the fading flowers. One of the best, seldom offered as it takes a long time to grow a decent-sized bulb. Flowers from May to July. 36"

obliquum - The soft pale yellow flowers are a useful shade in the garden, flowers in June and July. An unusual variety, always greatly admired.. 20"H

senescens montanum - Quickly forms interesting clumps of swirling leaves, with round heads of lilac flowers in late Summer. A very useful late flowering allium and a real bee and butterfly magnet. 12"H

sphaerocephalon - Easy in sunny borders flowering in late July and August. Neat heads of a dark reddish purple which bob around in the breeze, attracting bees. 12"H

ALSTROEMERIA psittacina 'Royal Star' - Rare and beautiful form with sharp white variegated dark green leaves. Striking red flowers with green tips (sometimes called Parrot Lily)from Aug to November. Good moistish acidic soil (tolerates slight alkalinity) with shade. Hardy 24"H

AMICIA zygomeris - A wonderful foliage plant for a warm spot. Yellow pea-like flowers marked with maroon. Large drooped leaves in pairs. Seen at its best in Sissinghurst against the tower. 84"H. Few

AMSONIA orientalis AGM -I think this is one of the best frontal garden plants available and that every garden should find a place for it. It forms a slowly-increasing clump of wiry stems set with willowy leaves of grey-green tint. The flowers are small, starry, displayed in wide heads of a soft blue and remain on the plant for many weeks. 18"H **Highly recommended**

ANAGALLIS monellii 'Sunrise' - This little pimpernel smothers itself all Summer with a myriad of large coral-red flowers. A real eye-catcher. Flowers from Summer to Autumn. 2"H 12"S

ANCHUSA azurea 'Loddon Royalist' AGM - Deep true blue sturdy erect spikes, from early Summer. Dead head to encourage second flush of flowers. Full sun, fertile, well drained soil. Lovely with bearded iris and lupins. 36"H

ANEMONE

hupehensis var. japonica 'Pamina' AGM - An excellent introduction, one of the few Anemones given an AGM in 1998. Eye-catching semi-double dusky purple flowers from August to October. Only 24"H

x hyb. 'Honorine Jobert' AGM - Will give nearly 3mths display of its well-shaped pure-white flowers, with lovely golden centres. Flowers best in full sun but takes shade. 36"H

leveillei - Large white flowers with a distinguishing crown of dark anthers around the centre of the flower. Good soil in part shade. 20"H

nemorosa 'Alba Plena'(d) - In early Summer above spreading carpets of finely cut leaves stand tiny 'Victorian posies', each flower having an outer circle of large sepals surrounding a centre of overlapping, tiny white petals. 4"H

nemorosa 'Blue Eyes'(d) - A beautiful double white wood anemone with prominent blue eyes, found in Ireland. Often semi-double flowers produced for a couple of years before the double pom-pom flowers appear. Woodland situation. 4"H

trifolia - A pure white flowered anemone with its small white flowers held in clusters. Treat like a wood anemone. Summer dormant. Quite a rare plant. 6"H

ANGELICA sylvestris 'Vicar's Mead' - Attractive dissected purple-brown foliage from which emerge pink cow-parsley-like flowers in late Summer. Retentive soil in sun or semi-shade. Great in association with grasses and other prairie plants. 48"H

ANTHEMIS

Invaluable daisy flowers which last well in the garden and picked, preferring sunny positions in well drained soil. All require occasional replanting to keep healthy and free-flowering. No garden should be without one variety. All need cutting hardback after flowering to encourage a good rosette to overwinter.

'Petworth' - Excellent new introduction which makes a bushy plant with soft divided grey leaves and large white daisy flowers from April to November. Sun and decent drainage. This is hybrid between two Anthemis, EC Buxton and punctata ssp cupaniana. 18"H. Available later in the season.

sancti-johannis - First class plant with ferny foliage and bright orange daisy-like flowers. Found in Bulgaria during the 1st World War. Sun, well drained soil. 18"H

drained soil. 12"H

ZIGADENUS elegans - Rare and unusual bulbous plant. The grassy leaves are of no importance but the spires of creamy green stars on greyish stems are very appealing. Sun in any well drained soil. 24"H

Grasses

Gaining great popularity as people begin to recognize the importance of grasses for their ability to act as foils for other plants as well as their own intrinsic beauty and variety of inflorescences. Although some flower early in the season it is late Summer to Autumn when their explosive presence comes to the fore.

They are starting to be much used by TV garden designers and are an vital feature of the fashionable new 'Prairie Planting'. I have tried to offer some of the best of the varieties presently available. There are several excellent new books devoted to grasses, I would recommend 'The Plantfinders' Guide to Ornamental Grasses by Roger Grounds and/or 'Gardening with Grasses' by Michael King and Piet Oudolf.

BOUTELOUA gracilis - 'Mosquito Grass' Semi-evergreen, with horizontal flower spikes, which look like tiny mosquitoes hovering above the narrow bladed clumps. Easily grown in full sun on well-drained soil, although performance better on neutral or lime-free soils.. 10"H

CALAMAGROSTIS

arundinacea - Forms arching clumps of fine foliage with long trailing flower heads, like tresses of shining brown hair. In winter the foliage develops tints of red, orange and yellow. Needs rich soil that does not dry out. 18"H

brachytricha - Korean Feather Grass - Superb medium sized grass, at its best from Sept. when the airy flower stems rise 4ft in narrow feathery grey-purplish plums, gradually fading to tawny orange, the leaves similarly changing colour. Dense clumps making a useful front or middle accent plant. **Highly recommended.**48"H

CAREX muskingumensis 'Oehme' - Variegated form with striking golden yellow margins, although this is perfectly hardy it can be grown indoors. 15"H

CORYNEPHORUS canescens 'Spiky Blue' - Silver or Grey Hair Grass - this makes dense tufts of steel blue foliage in evergreen cushions. Slender silvery plums with purple anthers in June and July. Dry, acidic soils are preferable, particularly sandy ones. 9"H. Later in season

CYPERUS papyrus AGM - The true papyrus from which earliest paper was made. Beautiful inflorescences from June to October. It is a vigorous perennial which is tender but can be stood out in the garden pond during the Summer and brought in for the winter. 60"H

DESCHAMPSIA

cespitosa 'Goldtau' - Dense tufted grass with dark green leaves, lovely airy plumes of silvery purple flowers turning to gold. Deschampsia tolerate a range of soils and light conditions but perform best in moist, fertile soils in semi-shade. 30"H

cespitosa 'Northern Lights'(v) - Superb new grass with tri-coloured gold, green and pink foliage. It blooms on 10in stems forming golden sprays of flower heads. This beautiful grass adds long-term interest to any garden. Sun to light shade. 10"H

ELYMUS hispidus - In hot dry soils this grass looks as if cut from thin strips of aluminium, it is so silvery-white. Needs grooming in Spring to set off the fresh young growth. 12"H

ERAGROSTIS airoides - Fantastic new grass, making low clumps of fine foliage and when in flower looks like elegant fibre-optic light feature. Sun, well drained soil or great pot plant. 10"H

HAKONECHLOA macra 'Albo aurea' - One of the most sought-after grasses, particularly effective in a pot, but also very garden worthy. Golden variegation and golden flowers. 10"H

HORDEUM jubatum - Squirrel tail grass - Flat, arching, feathery, plume-like flower spikes with silky awns in Summer to Autumn. One of the most attractive grasses. 12"H

IMPERATA cylindrica 'Rubra' - Appropriately named 'Blood Grass', since the leaves of this unusual grass are rich ruby-red, later dark burgundy, red-tipped when young. Effective as individual clumps or grouped. Average soil in sun, shallow rooted so mulch well in its first winter and then it will have a chance to get its root well down and should be hardy ever after.. 15"H

MILLIUM effusum 'Yaffle' - Graceful habit with substantial evergreen leaves, which each have gold central bands. Easy and tolerant of dry shade where the golden leaves can light up a dark patch. 20"H

MISCANTHUS

Bewildering number of new hybrids have been appearing. I have tried to offer good plants each offering something different. Best as free-standers or herbaceous borders, good by water. Silky heads pick well. Fertile soil.

sinensis .v.cond.'Cosmopolitan' AGM - I think this is spectacular and imposing- the broad leaves are more or less evergreen and have wide creamy white stripes down their lengths. The erect pinky silver flower plumes are produced from October or November. A well earned AGM at the trials. 72"H

- **s. 'Ferne Osten'** - Flowering in early August with perhaps the darkest plumes so far, red with white tips and held at a uniform height, well clear of foliage. Has an intensity of colour that catches the light well fading to beige as they mature. In Autumn leaves are orange. 48"H

- **s. 'Graziella'** - One of the best - free flowering with large silver-white hanging plumes held well above foliage in September and October. Good Autumn colours. 60"H

- **s. 'Malepartus'** - I will never understand why this did not earn an AGM. Imposing with thick stems, the broad leaves have a white mid-rib. It flowers early with towering red plumes which fade attractively to silver then fawn. Great skeleton in winter, cut down early Spring. 60"H

ASTER

'Snow Flurry' - The mass of small white daisies look wonderful scrambling over a rock where its prostrate habit takes on the form of the rock and looks as if it's clinging. Also good cascading down a bank. 6"H 18"S

'Veilchenkönigin' AGM(amellus) - An excellent old variety. Stiff dark stems carry open heads of intense violet, well shaped flowers throughout Sept. and Oct. 15"H

ASTILBE 'Sprite'(simplicif.hyb) AGM - A charming and easy plant for damp soil. Dark green ferny foliage topped by spreading sprays of shell-pink flowers in late Summer followed by dark rusty-red seed heads. 10"H

ASTRANTIA

Often called Hattie's pincushion, this aptly describes the beautiful flower heads. Moist, fertile humus-rich soil in part shade suits them best.

'Buckland' - An outstanding introduction, believe me it is one of the best. The outer bracts are tipped with green and the central quivering umbels are a subtle pale pink - free-flowering and vigorous.24"H

major 'Roma' PBR - From Piet Oudolf this long-flowering beauty has perfectly formed silver-pink flowers. Vigorous when settled. Good soil in sun. Always much admired in the garden.30"H

- **m. 'Ruby Wedding'** - Probably the best red astrantia, with dark green foliage and red stems with ruby-red flowers all Summer. It deserves the humus-rich soil it requires. This variety never looks good in a pot, but will settle down in the garden after it is planted. 30"H

- **m. involucrata 'Lars'** - Selected in Denmark, this is one of the longest flowering varieties with lovely dusky cherry pink flowers. Starts in May and will go on until October. Rich soil in part shade 24"

-**m.i. 'Moirá Reid'** - Large green-tipped white flowers which are flushed pink early on. Very similar to Shaggy. 24"H.

maxima AGM - Exquisite flowers, each resembling a Victorian posy. The graceful branching stems are topped with strawberry-pink broad petalled flowers, filled with quivering masses of pink stamens. Good soil, not successful on poor sandy soils. A beautiful plant which will slowly colonize if it likes you. 24"H

BERGENIA

ciliata - A more handsome foliage plant than the popular leathery-leaved hybrids, with large, softly hairy leaves of fresh apple green. Pale pink flowers. For Summer foliage effect in a warm, sunny position this is hard to beat. Leaves disappear in winter.10"H

'Doppelganger' - Originating from Eastern Europe this is an excellent new hybrid with impressive foot high large pink flowers. Makes a good frontal plant. 12"H

BIDENS heter. 'Hannay's Lemon Drop' - Tall, showy plant with lemon-yellow daisy flowers the petals of which are conspicuously white tipped. New variety. 48"H

BRUNNERA macrophylla 'Jack Frost' PBR - One of the best foliage plants in years, with large heart shaped frosted silver leaves edged green and prominent vein markings. The blue forget-me-not flowers appear in Spring. Best in rich moist soil, brightening a shady spot or shimmering in the sun. 18"H

CALAMINTHA nepeta subsp. nepeta - A wonderfully aromatic plant, strongly minty when crushed. There are masses of tiny pale blue flowers and they are much loved by bees.. Make a place in your garden for this, in the front of a border or near a path where it can be brushed to release the lovely aroma. 12"H

CALLIRHOE involucrata - 'Wine Cups' - this American prairie plant is a member of the Malva family and few plants can make the Summer show that it does. Its numerous flowers are 2" across, bright red to magenta, produced over a long period. Sun, well drained. 8"H 20"S Available later in season.

CAMASSIA

Bulbous plants from the American prairies which flower from late Spring to early Summer and are dormant by August. Best flowers produced in rich soil in sun or part shade. Grow amongst other plants to obscure foliage or effective in grass. All make good cut flowers for the flower arrangers among you.

'Electra' - Sterile form which is rarely found as it can only be propagated by division. Electric blue flowers on large showy heads - relishes heavy soil - effective planted in grass. 48"H

quamarsh - A more diminutive form than most, only reaching 12". Quickly makes a good clump with striking dark blue flowers. 12"H Good meadow plant.

CAMPANULA

'Hot Lips' - New compact variety with dark green leaves and white bells conspicuously flushed dark red on the inside. Very beautiful. 10"H

lactiflora 'Prichard's Var'AGM - One of the finest of hardy perennials. Stout stems carry branching heads of violet-blue bells for many months. Thrives in many soils. 48"H

- **l. 'Dixter Presence'** - Christopher Lloyd's selection which has many mid-blue flowers with small white centres carried in open, large heads. Particularly effective variety selected by a great plants man. 72"H - Just a few available later in the season.

punctata 'Wedding Bells' - Newly introduced with double hose-in-hose white flowers (just touched with a hint of pink), produced over a long season. 24"H

- **p. 'Bowl of Cherries'** - Showy, compact with hundreds of cherry-red pendulous bells continuously throughout the Summer. Deadhead for flower production. Great new variety. 15"H

Sarastro' - A new star with glossy dark violet bells on strong self-supporting stems. Long flowering. 18"H

CATANANCHE caerulea - Cupids Dart - From clumps of grass-like leaves emerge branching stems with lavender-blue, dark-eyed daises, enclosed in a scaly everlasting calyx. Easily grown in full sun with good drainage. Good chalk plant. 24"H

THALICTRUM

'Elin' - Amazing Swedish variety which has been known to grow to 12ft but usually 8ft. It has striking steely blue foliage with bronze tints, culminating in upright stalks of frothy sprays of cream and lilac flowers. Seldom need staking. Good soil, sun, part shade. Few

diffusiflorum - Froth of large violet blue fluffy flowers over delicate steely-blue maidenhead-like foliage from June to September. Durable garden plant despite its delicate appearance 12"H It's lovely.

flavum 'Illuminator' - Fine variety with Spring foliage being yellow with tints of mauve, the fluffy sulphur yellow flowers last for weeks. I would highly recommend this plant as it gives such life to a border in Spring, emphasising that everything is just about to burst into growth.48"H

polygamum - Why is this magnificent variety not more common? Growing to about 6ft with greenish white fluffy flowers. Fine maidenhead-fern-like foliage, effective for several months. Prefers retentive soil but coped well in 2003 without extra water. **Recommended.** 60"H

THERMOPSIS lupinoides - This plant seems to change its varietal name annually so I'm not sure what is its correct name all I know is that it is a first rate plant in all aspects. Downy yellow lupin-like flowers on erect terminal spikes in late Spring to early Summer, attractive 3-palmate green leaves with glaucous undersides, good clump-forming habit, excellent when in seed, I only cut it down in Spring to start its 12month performance all over again.36"H . Be assured this is not the running variety.

TIBOUCHINA urvilleana 'Edwardsii' - This Brazilian beauty has large felted leaves, the enormous deep blue flowers emerge in late Summer from large red buds. Winter protection needed, a great conservatory plant which can be paraded outside in the Summer.

TOLPIS barbata - Showy and extremely attractive free-flowering hardy annual, bright yellow flowers with striking maroon central eye. Unusual thread-like bracts surround the flowers and behind the heads - reminiscent of nigella. From the med. so dry suits it best. 18"H

TRADESCANTIA

A favourite cottage plant, easily grown in most soils in a sunny spot. Three-petalled flowers and strap shaped leaves. Long flowering, from July to Autumn. These new introductions have much better foliage than previously, striking long glaucous grey leaves.

'Concord Grape' - An American introduction and the best-looking variety yet with striking long grey leaves and deep violet, grey budded flowers from May to July then September and October. 24"H

'Perrine's Pink' - New variety, pale pink flowers with blue-green foliage. Seedling from the excellent Concorde Grape. 18"H

'Red Grape' - Large carmine-red flowers. 18"H

TRICYRTIS

Toad Lily - Prefers shady spot in soil that is not too dry. When these fascinating and elegant plants are in flower in late Summer and Autumn, look closely at the flowers to see their beautiful centres. Their flowers appear in the leaf axils from August to October. '

formosana 'Dark Beauty' - One of the best being robust and upright. Heavily spotted large deep purple being particularly dense at tips of lilac petals, making it particularly attractive. 24"H

hirta 'Variegata' - Solid softly hairy leaves with a thin cream stripe. Good purple spotted pale flowers in leaf axils from August to October. 15"H

'Hototogisu' - An elegant and scarce variety of 'Toad Lily' with small pale mauve flowers. 15"H

ohsumiensis - Particularly beautiful with very large straw-yellow flowers, upward facing, on low compact clumps of pale green foliage.12"H

'Tojen' -Very pale lilac, almost white flowers, petals edged with purple and yellow throats. 24"H

TRIFOLIUM

incarnatum - Crimson clover, from Spring this has spikes of startling red flowers on erect, bushy, downy-leaved annual. Self-seeds. Best in full sun, not too dry. 10"H. The star at Chelsea 2003.

pannonicum - A beautiful plant for any fertile soil in sun, in fact a giant clump-forming clover with pale creamy flowers. 24"H

rubens 'Drama' - Low mats covered with wine-red flowers all Summer. Recently collected in Greece near Mt. Drama. Sun or part shade. 6"H

- **'Peach Pink'** - A star is born - long-flowering clover with attractive peachy flowers like soft bottlebrushes. Butterflies like it too. 18"H

TRILLIUM

chloropetalum AGM - Stout reddish-green stems carry dark green leaves mottled and marbled with grey, forming a handsome collar for the stalkless upright lily-flower. 24"H

rivale - Easily one of the most beautiful trilliums with white petals, spotted with pink. Although in the wild it can tolerate seasonal drought, in cultivation it appreciates a moist but not wet substrate. 4"H

TRITONIA disticha rubrolucens - This looks like a pink Montbretia but needs good drainage in sun. Dainty pink flowers on wiry stems. Useful flowering season being late Summer through Autumn, also picks well. 30"H

TULIPA sprengeri -The last of the Tulips to open, this fine species bears large scarlet flowers 5 inches across, which last well and are also excellent for cutting. I hope the bulbs will be large enough to sell this year - seed sown in 1999.

UVULARIA grandiflora - Related to Solomon's Seal this lovely plant likes fertile, humus rich, moist soil in deep or part shade. Large yellow flowers with pointed petals in late Spring. 24"H

VERBASCUM

creticum - Green ribby leaves make an attractive basal rosette. Slender spikes with appealing huge scented flowers, buttery yellow and cream with striking central 'bee'. Sun well drained soil. Great in the hot garden at Sissinghurst. Around and about being sold as V. Cotswold King and Buttercup36"H

COREOPSIS

- ***v. grandiflora AGM*** - Long-flowering, erect, clump forming showy perennial with large golden yellow daisy-like flowers with jagged petals flowering during the Summer. Attractive green finely divided feathery foliage. Sun suits best, well drained but not too dry. Cuts well. 18"H

CORONILLA

A great shrub combining small glaucous leaves, bushy habit and willingness to flower with sweetly scented blooms, not only in Spring when it does so very freely but also spasmodically throughout the year, even in winter in mild weather. It comes in several forms:

valentinassubspglauca AGM - . Whorls of scented bright yellow pea flowers, probably the hardiest of the lot.

- ***Citrina' AGM*** - . This is the lovely pale yellow variety. Requires a warm wall.

- ***'Variegata'*** - Distinct creamy yellow variegated foliage. In early Winter golden yellow fragrant flowers appear in long-lived clusters. Needs sun and a well drained soil. Hardy to about 15F. Bushy 2ft evergreen shrub with about a three foot spread. Good in pots. 24"H 36"S

CORYDALIS

Some of the best new plants over the last few years, corydalis have varying cultivation requirements which if followed make them easy and rewarding plants, long in flower and with attractive foliage.

'Spinner's' - From the famous New Forest nursery this is a possible hybrid between flexuosa and elata, the result is a vigorous hybrid with pale green ferny foliage and large scented blue flowers on strong brown stems. Much easier to grow than many other varieties. 10"H

flexuosa 'Balang Mist' - Pale blue flowers, tipped in white over particularly striking reddish grey filigree foliage, slower than other varieties and a fine new addition. 4"H

solida 'George Baker' AGM - One of the most coveted plants and oh so slow, bright coral-red flowers throughout the Spring. 10"H

COSMOS *atrosanguineus* - A unique plant similar to a small Dahlia. The velvet-like, dark maroon-crimson flowers smell of bitter chocolate. The blooms are produced continually until Autumn. Full sun in a retentive soil. If planted deeply it will come back year after year.24"H

CROCOSMIA

As a result of hybridizing, these 'Montbretias' are graceful plants with small, lily-like flowers in a range of colours, invaluable in August through until October. Preferring fertile soil in sun, they increase well and are best divided in Spring. Useful as picked flowers. It is a good idea to give them a good mulch their first year before the corms have been 'pulled' down into the soil.

x crocosmiflora 'Eastern Promise' - This Crocosmia is full of promise as vivid orange buds, nestled in dark calyces, begin to open, these give way to sprays of large, out-facing flowers, coloured a sherbert yellow on the inside and backed with deeper peach shades.

- ***c. Emily McKenzie'*** - This is a hardy, vigorous variety, free flowering with branching stems of rich orangeflowers, which open wide to reveal the red splashed throat. Flowers in August. 24"H

- ***c. 'Golden Sheaf'*** - Smallish variety with large tubular flowers a rich golden yellow. Very floriferous 24"H

- ***c. 'Jackanapes'*** - This has perky little deep red and yellow flowers held in sprays and freely produced. Smaller than some. 18"H

- ***c. 'Mrs Geoffrey Howard'*** - Rounded segments of rich tomato-red outside, darker on the tube. Inside a uniform orange red giving way to brownish yellow, with red-brown marks and narrow yellow throat - you have it all - a real show stopper 24"H

- ***c. 'Solfaterre' AGM*** - Pale apricot flowers contrast well with smoky-bronze foliage. A choice plant for warm well-drained soil. 18"H

- ***c. 'Star of the East'*** - The largest flowered of the Crocosmias with slightly nodding flowers a good 3-4 inches across. Deep orange flowers with a paler orange centre on branched stems. 30"H

'Lucifer' AGM - An imposing plant with stiff, pleated, blade-shaped leaves topped with large heads of brilliant flame-red flowers.48"H

'Orangeade' - Hardy hybrid with large flowers, if you like the colour orange, this will not disappoint as in the opinion of the national collection holder it has the best clear orange colour of any Crocosmia.36"H

'Walberton Red' - Without a doubt the best red crocosmia so far, with sturdy stems and large tomato-red uplifted trumpets. 36"H Only a few.

CUPHEA

illavea 'Georgia Scarlet' - Striking plant, the red flower of which has prominent large ears which remind me of evil bats - they are in flower all Summer and make great pot, patio or hanging basket plants. 6"H

DACTYLORHIZA

fuchsii - Woodland spotted Orchid. One of our wonderful native orchids with pink to mauve flowers produced from late Spring to early Summer. Best in woodland. Grown from cultivated stock. 12"H

purpurella - Hardy orchid - deep purple-red flowers in June and July. The green leaves are occasionally spotted. Moist acid soil in sun, will grow successfully in grass. 18"H. Few

DAHLIA

Invaluable for late Summer to Autumn flowering the varieties offered are excellent in flower with burnished red foliage. Tubers can be left in good ground with generous mulch or lifted and dried in usual way. Hopefully a few of the following should be available later in the season.

'Bednall Beauty' AGM - Very like the famous "Bishop" but shorter. The crimson flowers associate well with the burnished bronze leaves.18"H

'Bishop of Llandaff' AGM - An indispensable for those "hot" schemes. Pure scarlet semi-double flowers over mahogany-red foliage. 40"H

SCABIOSA

triandra - Lovely variety with pale lilac-blue pin-cushions with filigree foliage for months in the Summer. Well drained soil in the sun. 36"H I have a feeling that this is wrongly named but I purchased under this name, a little bit of detective work is required.

SCHIZOSTYLIS

coccinea - Grassy-leaved shoots which send up slender spires of slim buds which open throughout late Summer, Autumn and even winter, into a bright cherry red. Needs moisture in Summer. 18"H

- ***c. alba*** - A most useful grassy-leaved plant with slender spikes of a good pure white in Sept-October, just when such things are most welcome. It prefers a bit of moisture in the Summer to flower really well and dividing regularly 24"H

SCILLA

messeniaci 'Grecian Sky' - Small bulb producing sky-blue spikes for several weeks in March and April, a real eye-catcher. 6"H

peruviana - Many broad basal leaves produced in Autumn followed by a conical many flowered raceme of steely blue. Grow in freely draining but humus-rich soils, with adequate moisture when in growth, in sun or dappled shade. Brought back on the SS Peru hence the name. 10"H

SCUTELLARIA *incana* - I just love this plant and can't understand why it is not more widely grown. It flowers later than some plants and has many small terminal clusters of lovely soft, greyish violet-blue flowers. Grey leaves. Clump forming. Any soil in sun. 12"H

SEDUM

Thriving in full sun with flowers beloved by butterflies, these have handsome 'fleshy' foliage which looks good most of the year. The flowers are essential for late Summer and Autumn when they accompany the asters, chrysanthemum and grasses. They seem to grow in any soil, dry or wet but are excellent frontal plants as they stay tidy.

albroseum 'Frosty Morn'(v) - Stunning creamy-white foliage and pale pink flowers - 12"H

anacamperos - Procmment stems with thick glaucous leaves. Purple pink flowers beloved by bees and butterflies. Attractive and excellent in front of well drained border, staying tidy for most of the growing season. At its best in the gravel garden of Savill. 4"H

'Bertram Anderson' AGM - Prostrate habit, useful in rockeries and front of borders and one of darkest leaved varieties with attractive matching maroon flowers in late Summer. 5"H x 12"S

'Joyce Henderson' -Not often seen but an outstanding selection suitable for the border, the large purple flushed leaves wonderfully complimenting the rich pink flowers. ***Highly recommended.*** 24"H

'Purple Emperor' - Glaucous purple flushed foliage makes this an such a good plant. A multi-award winner and worth a frontal position. 18"H

'Red Cauli' - New variety with grey-green foliage making a good contrast to the intense ruby-red flowers with look just like red cauliflowers, hence the rather ugly name. 15"H

rupestre 'Angelina' CK38 - Fleshy needle-like bright yellow foliage which turns glowing amber in Autumn. Prostrate, making a good evergreen mat in sunny well drained soil. Bright yellow flowers. Found as seed in Croatia by Austrian nurseryman Christian Krass. Good with dark foliage. 6 "H 12"S

spectabile 'Iceberg' - Fleshy palest green leaves. In late Summer flat heads of starry green-white flowers. 18"H

telephium 'Matrona' - Outstanding with maroon stained stems, fleshy purple flushed leaves. Pale pink flowers on flat heads. A very effective garden plant which will probably supercede many old varieties. Sun, drought resistant. 30"H

- ***t. var borderi*** - Clump forming variety with deeply cut jagged blue green leaves. Rich pinky-purple flowers in tight clusters at the end of the stems in late Summer. Any soil in sun. 12"H

ussuriense - Rare wild species from Siberia, so it must be robust! Very showy bright red flowers on elegant arching stems which become prostrate as the season progresses. A wonderful plant. 15"H

SENECIO

polyodon - From small leafy clumps arise many erect stems covered for months in small bright magenta/pink daisy-like flowers. Grow in sunny position in well drained fertile soil 12"H

pulcher - A hairy plant, unique on account of the colour and season of its flowers. The dark green, leathery, leaves surmount the stems each carrying several good-sized daisies of most brilliant cerise-magenta. Well drained deep soil 18"H

SERRATULA *seoanei* - This little knapweed comes as fresh as a daisy at the end of Autumn. Small, wiry plants with finely-cut leaves producing exquisite mauve-pink fuzzy heads when there is little else to please. Used in the past as a dye-plant. 14"H

SIDALCEA

'Elsie Heugh' - A lovely old variety with palest pink silky flowers with fringed petals.30"H

candida - The only white Sidalcea, with flowers like a small hollyhocks. Good basal clumps of ground-covering foliage. Flowers in stately branching spikes, and silky. 30"H

SILENE *uniflora 'Rosea'* - Grey-green leaves forming a good mound with lovely 'Sea-campion' pale pink flowers held well above the foliage. 4 "H 10"S

SILPHIUM *perfoliatum AGM* - Great late flowering yellow daisy, which has fantastic buds and good growth habit to about 6ft. Sun or dappled shade in retentive soil. Makes an impressive plant rarely seen, why? Picked up an AGM with the comment "Excellent". Good accent plant or as backdrop for smaller perennials. 72"H

ECHINACEA

- *p. 'Kim's Mop Head'* - As above but with prolific pure white flowers from July to October. 24"H
- *p. 'Rubinstern'* - Unlike other coneflowers, this has multi branched stems which are multi flowered with a double row of petals of an intense pink. 30"H
- simulata* - 'Wavy Purple or Glade Coneflower' has very showy single flower heads on long stalks with yellow pollen and long drooping 3andhalf inch dark pink petals round domed shaped dark brown central disk.36"H

EPILOBIUM glabellum - This is not a rampant willowherb but a sterile plant with masses of creamy funnels all Summer. Needs well-drained soils to give of its best. 6"H x 12"S

EPIMEDIUM

Excellent ground-covering plants for shade, new leaves are often bronze tinted, and if the variety is not deciduous, the old leaves should be carefully cut off when the new ones start to appear, you can then appreciate their juvenile beauty as well as see the lovely flowers. .

grandiflorum 'Jennie Maillard' - Named by Allan Robinson while he was at Wisley - not by me, he thought it was worth a name. The only seedling I have been able to raise so far. It has long spurred flowers of soft lilac held in deeper cups, making it particularly attractive. 15"H

grandiflorum 'Lilafee' - Floriferous and vigorous hybrid with lavender-violet flowers - excellent ground cover in shady corners. 10"H

x warleyense - This makes a less dense mass than other kinds of Epimedium and its flowers bring a new tone, they are coppery-orange. Light green leaves. 12"H

x youngianum 'Niveum' - Neat clumps of colourful young foliage with pure white flowers, some spurred, in Spring, preferring a little more moisture than most. 10"H

EPIPACTIS gigantea - Giant Helleborine - hardy rhizomatous orchid for fertile woodland in moistish areas where it can spread freely. In Spring to early Summer up to 15 nodding bright greenish yellow flowers with maroon lips appear in loose terminal spikes . 12"H

ERIGERON

'Quakeress' - Many narrow-petalled, pale lilac flowers, held demurely when in bud. Evergreen. This is a lovely plant, makes a good clump and should be more fully used. In any soil in sun or part shade. 20"H

karvinskianus AGM - Daintiest of daisies on branching, wire-thin stalks, opening white, fading to rose. Seeds itself into cracks and crevices of walls or steps as at Great Dixter. 12"H

ERODIUM

Cousins of the Hardy Geranium, Stork or Horn's Bills flower for months, most prefer sharp drainage in sun and are best suited to rock-gardens or troughs, except *E.manescaui* which is an excellent frontal plant in an herbaceous bed.

'Las Meninas' - Feathery green leaves with striking rose-pink flowers, the upper petals of which are lightly blotched and the lower ones are paler and heavily veined. From Jean-Pierre Jolivot at Les Jardins d'en Face. 4"H. Few

x lindavicum 'Pink Form' - Evergreen ferny silver foliage, pink flowers for many weeks in Summer. Sun or part shade on well drained soil. 6"H

manescaui - The dense foliage clump is composed of much divided, feathery, hairy leaves, over them, held on straight stalks, are the clusters of rich deep lilac-pink flowers, five-petalled, with a deeper blotch on the upper two. 20"H 24"H

pelargoniiflorum - Downy foliage and white flowers marked with bright purple. Flowers for months in a dry sunny spot. Dislikes winter wet. 6"H 12"S

'Spanish Eyes' -Pretty divided grey foliage covered with stunning pink flowers, lined in mauve with central dark blotches, over a very long period Apr-Dec and sometimes all year, 6"H

ERYNGIUM

Sea Holly - Striking thistle-like flowers, with elegant ruffs. Excellent dried, cut before flowers are fully open for best results. Tolerant of most soils, even poor, sunny position. Bees and butterflies abound.

bourgatii ex 'Picos Blue' -Seedlings from a particularly intense blue flowered form on 18" indigo stems.18"H

giganteum 'Silver Ghost' AGM - Generally recognized as being better than "Miss Wilmott's Ghost" this has wide branching heads of metallic silver flowers surrounded by equally silver bracts. Dries well, seeds freely, biennial. Bees and insects love it. Tolerant of most soils, full sun. 36"H

x oliverianum - In the top league of Sea Hollies, large blue heads with silvery-blue bracts and metallic blue stems,. A hybrid cross that has to be vegetatively produced. 20"H

x tripartitum - Wiry stems produce wide branches each ending in a blue head with dark blue spiky bract. An effective garden plant achieving best colour in full sun. 30"H 24"H

varifolium - Evergreen rosettes with scalloped rounded leaves so heavily veined as to appear almost variegated, this is particularly effective in the Winter. In the Summer there is a confusion of light blue thimbles with narrow bracts. 18"H

ERYSIMUM

Perennial wallflowers prefer well-drained sunny spots, most flower for many weeks and are best if lightly pruned after flowering to avoid becoming leggy. After a while you will need to do cuttings as they get too woody and new plants are needed. The following varieties are offered.

'Apricot Twist' - Perennial Wallflower with shades of apricot and dusky mauve coloured flowers. 24"H

'Joseph's Coat or Constant Cheer' - This appears to be the same plant, long flowering with multi-coloured fowers of amber, mauve and pink, low growing bush. 12"H

'John Codrington' - A low spreading habit with flowers of palest yellow with tints of butterscotch and slatey blue, slightly melancholic. Greatly admired 6"H 18"S

PULMONARIA

Valuable ground-covering plants easily grown in part or full shade with retentive soil. They flower early, unaffected by the weather and the blues are welcome colours after the yellow daffodils. The leaves vary from almost pure silver to deep green with silver spots, often it is best to trim the leaves mid season.

'Blue Ensign' - Recently voted the best pulmonaria by the lovers of them, this is free flowering with large rich blue flowers. Narrow dark green unspotted leaves.10"H

'Cotton Cool' - Lovely upright leaves entirely silvered, good blue flowers in April. Cool addition to shady areas but will take morning sun. Long flowering. Leaves are best before and after flowering. 10"H

'Diana Clare' - Vigorous longifolia hybrid with large violet-blue flowers with purple stripes from Feb to May. Silver gilded leaves good from October to May. Dislikes a hard prune after flowering. Makes multiple crowns.

'Little Star' - One of America's best, lance shaped leaves, silver spots with particularly large cobalt blue flowers. Makes a compact showy plant. 6"H

saccharata 'Leopard' AGM - Raised by G.S. Thomas, need I say more. An AGM plant for both foliage and flowers. Dark green leaves with bright whitish spots and blotches that stand out boldly. Showy plant with reddish-pink flowers on upright stems. 10"H

RANUNCULUS

ficaria 'Brazen Hussy' - Discovered by Christopher Lloyd in his wood. The yellow celandine flowers are set off by dark brown polished leaves. 3"H

lanuginosus - Good foliage plant for moist sun or shade. Large chocolate blotched leaves and rich-golden buttercups from April until June - but without the problems 18"H

RHEUM 'Ace of Hearts' - Dark, heart-shaped leaves, veined and backed with crimson. Dainty tall, pale pink flower spikes in Summer. Ideal choice for smaller garden wanting a large-leaved foliage plant. 48"H

RHODANTHEMUM gayanum 'Tizi-n-Tichka' - White daisy flowers with a red eye appear on this compact plant in early Spring. Must have good drainage. 6"H

RHODOHYPOXIS and RHODOXIS

South African bulbs which commence flowering in Spring and continue throughout the Summer. Plant in well-drained, lime-free soil mixed with sand and leaf mould, in full sun. Water often during growing period, avoiding the foliage. The following are offered:

'Dulcie'AGM - Recently awarded an AGM this has large white flowers. 2"H

milloides 'Claret' - Larger than many other varieties with striking bright red flowers. 6"H

'Hebron Farm Cerise' - Small with cerise flowers. 2"H

RUDBECKIA

ful. sull. Goldsturm' AGM - Erect stems over leafy clumps bear prolific golden-rayed daisies with short, black, central cones, earning them the name 'Black Eyed Susan'. Happy in any fertile soil, moist rather than dry, full sun. Easy, neat, long flowering, what more can one ask. 18"H

maxima - An outstanding plant with large basal glaucous blue leaves. Drooping golden long petalled flowers with large central black cones. Sun, moist, good soil. A plant with 'presence'. 48"H

missouriensis - This yellow black-eyed daisy is a very drought tolerant species and an excellent cut flower. Stocky plant blooming for two to three months from July. Full sun suits it best. 24"H

'Takao' - Robust variety with strong stems, golden daisies with large black centres. In flower from June to October. This not only has good flowers but also it looks more elegant than other varieties. 30"H

SALVIA

Effective in sunny borders, the superba and sylvestris types are mainstays of any border. Most varieties are long flowering, some even in late Autumn. Although a few are not reliably hardy (indicated individually) they are easy from cuttings taken in late Summer and overwintered under glass.

'Amber' - Honey coloured flowers for months a recent cross between *S.bulleyana* and *S.glutinosa*.

Attractive bubbled foliage. Sterile so very long flowering. Very rare variety and slow to propagate so very seldom available.30"H

argentea - Best as a foliage plant with large downy silver leaves emerging in Spring. This gradually disappears as the stems with white hooped flowers appear in midsummer. Needs full sun and a well drained position. 36"H 24"S

cacaliifolia AGM - This plant is very useful for filling in spaces in beds and the sides of tubs as it has a 'swooping' habit and brilliant blue flowers on good spikes. Flowers until the first frosts. Half-hardy. 12"H

'Caradonna' - Superb new selection with blackish magenta flowers held on strong vertical dark stems, which are a particular feature. In flower from June and with judicious dead heading this will continue until Autumn. Awarded the prestigious European ISU Diploma. 24"H

'Christine Yeo' - A new cross between two salvias, producing a woody variety with deep violet white eyed flowers from July to November. Hardy to minus 10 with good drainage. 24"H

coahuilensis - Totally hardy with small bright vivid blue-violet flowers which appear for a long season through Summer until Autumn. The flowers are small but very bright and showy. 20"H

confertiflora - An extra handsome plant with pointed bright green leaves, brownish below. Long unbranched flowers spikes are closely set with velvety red-brown calyces and vermilion-orange small flowers. Needs a warm position in a warm county. Useful late flowerer . Not hardy. 60"H 24"S . Later

corrugata - Evergreen shrub with deeply puckered dark green foliage, felted downy on the underside. Short panicles of showy racemes of deep blue flowers held in violet calyces. Protect from strong wind. Moist but well drained. From Ecuador so protect in winter. 60"H 36"S

greggii 'Peach' AGM - This is shrubby and grows well in warmest counties against a sunny wall. Small neat leaves cover the twiggly growth, a long succession of small peachy flowers in small clusters is produced from June onwards. A conservatory plant in colder areas. 24"H

GERANIUM

Few plants can offer the diversity of flower and leaf with ease of growing . No garden should be without at least 20 different varieties, not just a pink, white or blue one. If you can't think of what to plant there is sure to be a wonderful variety to suit. Many varieties benefit from being cut hard back after flowering, this tidies them up and fresh foliage is quickly produced. Trials are underway at Wisley but from the experience of growing I know which ones are worth a place in the garden.

'Anne Thompson' - Wonderful magenta-purple saucer-shaped flowers with dark central zone are produced for 8 months on end. I have recommended this geranium more than any other and I have never received any complaint. **Highly recommended.** 20"H x 30"S

'Blue Cloud' - A seedling from Nimbus and a lovely long-flowering cultivar with large pale blue flowers veined crimson. Attractive finely divided leaves. Starts flowering in June onwards. 15"H

'Blue Pearl' - Selected seedling from Brookside. Bowl-shaped pale violet-blue darker veined flowers from May to June.

'Bob's Blunder' - Pewtered bronze leaves on new clump forming variety. Large round soft pink and white flowers about 1" from May to November. Totally hardy, even in thick clay. 10"H 20

'Brookside' - A lovely vigorous plant forming clumps of finely-cut leaves and large bowl-shaped flowers of deep clear blue, with a white centre. A striking addition to the border. 18"H

caeruleatum - Suitable for the rock garden. Mounds of small leaves covered with eye-catching violet-blue flowers in May and June. When you see this in full flower you will want it. 4"H

'Chantilly' - Leaves round-lobed, light green and softly hairy, the flowers are up tilted, lavender-pink freely produced in Summer forming a froth of pale pink at about 18" high, well above the foliage, like a pink cloud. 18"H (only a few)

cinereum 'Purple Pillow' PBR - Fine new variety with distinctive reddish-plum (almost purplish) cup shaped flowers, the colour accentuated by network of darker veins. Tidy and low growing bluish grey-green mound of deeply lobed foliage. Good drainage in sun. 4"H

'Cyril's Fancy' - Strong erect plant with large pale lilac flowers freely produced. Good soil in sun or shade. 30"H

'Dilys' - Widely spreading mat, with dark-eyed reddish-purple flowers. Exceptionally long flowering, sometimes even early winter. 9"H x 36"S

'Distant Hills' - Not often offered this very attractive compact rooted hybrid has large soft lilac, pink veined flowers all Summer. 24"H

'Dusky Gem' PBR - My own introduction with flowers the same eye-catching bright pink of 'Little Gem' but with Spring leaves of dusky brown .Long flowering Spring to Autumn on sunny well drained bed. 6"H x 12"S

'Eleanor Fisher' - In Spring the leaves are lime gold, edged with shrimp pink, remaining slightly golden as they mature. Radiating central non-rooting stems hold large luminous pale violet-magenta flowers, similar to 'Salome' but paler and more vibrant. A wonderful new addition to the late Summer border. 5"H x12"S (Hopefully a few). This new hybrid originated from G. lambertii seed given to Bob Page by Eleanor Fisher, hence the name. First time offered for sale by any nursery.

'Elizabeth Yeo' - Without a doubt the best pink pratense geranium with upstanding large dark pink flowers. Excellent foliage. Dr Yeo (a foremost Geranium expert) would not have named this after his wife if it was not a goody. 24"H

erianthum 'Calm Sea' - Large pale blue flowers with prominent very dark blue feathered veining. May, then intermittently until Autumn, then showy foliage. Full sun - part shade, well drained soil. A very beautiful rare form, **-highly recommended.** Slow to increase hence price. 18"H

erianthum 'Neptune' - A rather spreading plant with large, deep blue flowers, exceedingly beautiful. Good in shade.

erianthum 'Undine' - Wonderful variety with pure white flowers with yellow anthers, low habit of growth only reaching 10". Use in woodland area or borders. Flowers recurrently from May. 10"H

himalayense 'Plenum' (d) - Small rounded leaves, flowers 1in of a soft lilac blue, fully double, flushed with pink. A charming and excellent, easy garden plant. Sun or part shade, not too dry 12"H

'Jolly Bee' PBR - Massive cupped blue flowers, prominently veined with white centres. Flowers over the whole season from June to November. Similar flower to Rosanne, more upright, considered by enthusiasts to be better. Use in a pot plant for non-stop flower power, year after year. 12"H 20"S

'Joy' - A plant with no apparent disadvantages. Tidy mounds of marbled leaves, more or less ever-green. Flowers over long season and are about 1 1/4" in dia bowl-shaped, soft pink with prominent veining. An excellent hybrid for rock garden or front of border 4"H x 12"S

'Khan' - Originating at Wisley this vigorous hybrid has very large magenta flowers with strong veining and prominent black anthers. In flower from June to September. A great new addition to the geranium world. 10"H x 24"S

koreanum - Newly discovered species - large open stary dark veined-candy-pink flowers with small white eye on stiff stems over low-growing, spreading mottled foliage. Sun or part-shade. 6"H 18"S

'Little David' - One of the most intense coloured hybrids, deepest magenta. Excellent in rock gardens as flowers all Summer and makes a dense clump only 9"high, valuable new addition, like a baby G. psilostemon.

macrorrhizum - One of the most useful varieties because its ground-covering, weed-suppressing, drought-resistant, unfussy about soil and growing equally well in sun or shade and its evergreen foliage is not only aromatic but colours well in Autumn. It has no vices. The following are offered. I can also provide some large open ground divisions on request, they quickly settle down.:

- **m. 'Ingwersen's Var'AGM** - Lighter foliage than other varieties and soft pink flowers. One of the best of this variety. 6"H

PELARGONIUM

triste - A unique pelargonium on account of its carrot like green foliage and flowers, sweetly scented at night, usually brown-purple with yellow margin. Triste means sad but I think sombre is more appropriate. Keep dry when dormant, only lightly watering when in full growth 12"H

PENSTEMON

Highly decorative plants, called foxgloves in the USA, the flowers offer a dazzling array of different colours. Remember it is better not to cut them down until the Spring and they will reward you with numerous flowers. Sun to part shade in well drained but fertile soil. They are best lifted and carefully divided after five years for best results. .

'Blackbird' - Lustrous deep purple. Medium size. Long flowering stems. Sun 24"H

cobaea - 'Showy Beard tongue' - profuse 1" tubular purple flowers on this very attractive American species from the parries. Usually flowers from May and looks lovely with *Oenothera macrocarpa*. 20"H

'Countess of Dalkeith' - Very large purple trumpets with white throats on sturdy stems all Summer. A very showy variety. 24"H

digitalis 'Husker Red' - Glossy leaves, heavy flushed red with smaller foxglove-like flowers of white, flushed very pale violet. Extremely attractive species for both foliage and flowers. 36"H

'Pensham Wedding Bells' - New with extended flowering period, good creamy white trumpets on arching plant which eventually reaches 2ft.

'Rich Ruby' - Well named the colour of this penstemon is a wonderful deep ruby, always greatly admired. A plant which deserves special attention. Sun 30"H

'Schoenholzeri' or Firebird AGM - Very vigorous and hardy with soft clear red bells of a good size freely produced from July until the frosts. 30"H 24

'Windsor Red' - Tubular bell shaped flowers on 2ft spikes, bright red elongate flowers on long thin purple flowering stems. 24"H

PERISICARA

amplexicaulis 'Jo and Guido's Form - Attractive bottlebrush heads of deep rose-red, a new variety from Belgium. Cuts well- 48"H

- **a. Firetail' AGM** - Beautiful from end of June until Autumn frosts. Makes a leafy clump with innumerable erect spikes of bright red flowers. Cuts well. 48"H

PHLOMIS tuberosa 'Amazona' - Attractive large tooth-edged leaves from which rise 4ft strong erect dark branching stems which carry lilac tubular flowers at intervals (like a candelabra primula). Excellent selection for the sunny border. Remember that this plant is not easy to propagate so if not often offered.

PHLOX

alpine types - Usually preferring well drained soil in sun, these plants do well on rockeries, over walls, at the troughs etc. Most flower from late Spring for several weeks. Tidy up in Spring by cutting back to make neat mounds.

amoena 'Variegata' - Quickly makes colourful cushions with its pink flushed variegated foliage. The vivid pink flowers shout for attention from April onwards. 2 "H 6"S

bifida 'Petticoat' - Graham Rice calls this a spectacular phlox - deep pink fringed flowers, long flowering. Sun, well drained. 2"H x 12"S

- **blue** - A much admired plant for its free flowering with pale lilac-blue flowers. It is also strong growing. Lovely for rockeries, troughs etc. 8"S

Spring and early Summer flowering varieties:

carolina 'Bill Baker' - Large scented pink flowers with a pale eye, freely produced during May and June. Good border planted in reasonable soil in sun or part shade. 15"H

'Charles Ricardo - From a distance the large pale blue flowers are often mistaken for Plumbago. It is an excellent plant which flowers from Spring to Summer. Not too dry. 6"H x 12"S

divaricata 'Blue Dreams' - An adaptable plant with masses mid-blue scented flowers from late Spring. Clump forming with erect flowering stems of about 12in.

- **d.subsp. laphamii** - Delicately scented clusters of pale lilac/blue flowers in early Spring. Flowers about 3 months when established. More reliable garden plant than some on clay. 12"H

Mid to late Summer flowering varieties: These Phlox hate being in pots and often manifest leaf problems which do not persist when grown in the ground. Fertile, moist soil in sun/part shade.

x arendsii 'Lisbeth' - An old variety with lavender-blue flowers - long flowering and showy for frontal position. Lisbeth is very beautiful but can be difficult to establish and keep going but well worth the trouble. 12"H

maculata 'Natascha' - Mildew resistant and erect flowering stems with bicoloured flowers of white and candy-pink, which have a cartwheel look. Very striking. 36"H

- **m. 'Reine du Jour'** - A rare variety which has very beautiful white flowers, stained mauve on the trumpet and centre of the flower which is further highlighted with prominent yellow anthers. 30"H

paniculata 'Monica Lynden-Bell' - Shell pink scented flowers from dark buds. In flower from July until October. Robust grower. Fertile soil in sun or part shade. 30"H

- **p. 'Blue Paradise'** - A new selection by Piet Oudolf which has its best colour when the sun is hidden, then it is a vibrant indigo, otherwise it has a purple tone. 30"H

- **p. 'Bright Eyes' AGM** - Pale-pink flowers highlighted with striking dark pink eyes. Strong stemmed variety making it good for cutting. 30"H

- **p. 'David'** - If you are looking for fragrance, length of flowering season, colour and a mildew resistant phlox, look no further than this - awarded perennial plant of 2002. Pure white panicles from June to Sept. Good with blues or try with Miscanthus Morning Light. 30"H

GERANIUM

- *s. 'Cedric Morris'* - A particularly large-flowered magenta-pink form with larger leaves named by an excellent plantsman so it is good. 6"H
- *s. 'Droplet'* - The true plant -the leaves and stems of which are small. The flowers are large in comparison and are purplish-pink. Ideal in trough, rock garden etc. 2"H x 4"S
- *s. 'Glenluce'* - Abundant large saucer shaped pale pink flowers on a plant about 9in high, ideal front of border or rockery. 9"H
- *s. 'Max Frei'* - It is the neat, rounded hummocks of about 8" high that are the Max's distinguishing feature, it also has masses of deep purplish-red flowers, followed by good Autumn colour. Recent introduction from Germany. Not 100 percent sure this is correctly named but it fits the description well.
- *s. var. striatum AGM* - Exquisitely pretty with pale pink flowers veined crimson appear all Summer until the frosts. An ideal companion to old roses. One of the loveliest of the many forms of sanguineum. 4"H
- '*Sue Crüg*' - One of the BEST of the new hybrids, very long flowering (May-frost)with large dark centred reddish purple dark veined flowers. Slow spreader. Sun or shade, good w/d soil. 15"H
- sylvaticum 'Mayflower' AGM* - A valuable May-flowering plant with a lovely basal clump of fingered leaves. Branching stems bear good rich violet-blue blooms for weeks. Lovely with Spring flowers and bulbs. 36"H 24
- *s. 'Angulatum'* - Erect and clump forming shade-loving variety with beautiful large pale purplish pink flowers which are prominently veined. Useful flowering in May and June. Important variety for shady habitats. 24"H
- '*Vera May*' - I am the only nursery selling this beautiful new variety - luminous dusky magenta flowers heavily veined - flowers all Summer through Autumn on compact stems. The same cross as Dilys but an even better flower and quite distinctive. **Highly Recommended.** 4"H 12"S
- wallicianum 'Buxton's Variety' AGM* - - One of the **best**, lax stems bear a succession of rich blue, white-eyed flowers. Will grow anywhere, rock garden, under shrubs, trailing over low walls. July-on 12"H x 36"S. I think it looks better with a bit of shade, the blue is more stunning.
- *w. x Edinburgh Botanic* - Stunning very large pale violet-blue flowers heavily veined deep pink, on scrambling stems from July to Frosts. This is extremely beautiful and much coveted.24"stems

GEUM

Give Geum fertile soil that does not become too dry and they will reward you in early Summer and again in Autumn with drooping flowers held in clusters above attractive basal rosettes. Some have good evergreen foliage. All make excellent frontal plants.

- '*Coppertone*' - A chance seedling from Beth Chatto's garden. Fresh green clumps of foliage are topped by pale apricot flowers, a wonderful colour not often found. 8"H
- '*Flames of Passion*' - New variety with semi-double, upward facing, dusky-red flowers which continue blooming throughout the Summer. 20"H
- '*Karlskaer*' - Rare variety making a compact dome covered with warm apricot-orange flowers in early Summer then again in late Summer. 12"H
- '*Marmalade*' - Gathering quite a fan club, long-flowering with rich marmalade flowers, definitely the Frank Coopers Old English variety. 12"H
- '*Prinses Juliana*' - Striking double pure orange flowers held on strong 12" stems, flowers throughout the Summer. Dead heading prolongs the show. 20"H. Please note that Prinses spelt this way is not a spelling mistake.
- '*Rijnstroom*' - Particularly large double petalled copper-orange flowers through June and July. 20"H
- '*Rubin*' - Long-lived variety with stunning semi-double deep red flowers on longish stems .In flower from June until August. 12"H

GILLENIA trifoliata AGM - A graceful plant for almost any position or soil. Slender reddish stems branch freely and carry sprays of small butterfly-like white flowers, the reddish calyces last and persist in beauty after the petals have dropped. In flower for weeks - yet another must for all gardens. 48"H x24"S

GLADIOLUS

- papilio* - Above narrow, grey-green leaves stand tall stems carrying downcast heads. The slender buds and backs of petals of green, cream and slate purple. Lovely in late Summer and Autumn. Needs substance to the soil to perform well. 36"H
- papilio yellow-flowered* - As above but the rarer form, yellow flowers with bold centres of deep red.
- tristis* - Exquisite flowers, 2 or 3 per slender stem, cream with bronze-green shadows, strongly perfumed in evening. Although the narrow rush-like leaves are damaged in hard winters it is usually hardy in all but the coldest Southern gardens but still best put it in a warm spot. 18"H

GYPSOPHILA

- repens 'Rosea'* - Mats of grey foliage over which good pink flowers appear for an extended season. Cut back in Spring to neaten up. Sun and lime-lovers but will grow on neutral soil. 3"H x12"H
- *r. 'Rosenschleier'(d)AGM* - Meaning Rose Veil - this is covered in double pink flowers in Summer and makes a good cut flower. Sun, well drained. 5"H

HALIMIUM atriplicifolium - Beautiful large-leaved silver-grey shrub with large (almost 2") golden yellow flowers in June and July. Sun, well drained sheltered site. 60"H Few

HALORAGIS erecta 'Wellington Bronze' - Interesting foliage plant from New Zealand forming dense mounds with erect branching stems covered in bronze saw-edged leaves adding colour to any border or pot. The greenish-yellow flowers are interesting rather than beautiful. Hardy to -2. Seeds around 24"H

LUNARIA rediviva - Related to the biennial Honesty this is a true perennial. Flowers of lilac-white, held in sprays high over the basal rosettes of leaves. An early flowering herbaceous plant well worth better recognition. Lovely in leaf, flower or seed. 24"H

LUPINUS arboreus 'Mauve Queen' - An evergreen fast-growing shrub. Flowers delicately scented in dense racemes throughout the Summer. Thrives in full sun in well drained position. This is the rare mauvish blue form.

LYCHNIS viscaria 'Feuer' - Profuse heads of double fiery-red flowers. Splendid hybrid whose smouldering flowers in May and June follow on the subdued colours of Spring. Good deep green foliage. 20"H x 12"S

LYSIMACHIA punctata 'Alexander' (v) - Pink noses poke through the soil in Spring which grow into attractive stems and golden variegated leaves. Yellow flowers during the Summer. This can make a good container plant offering something a little different to Pelargonium etc. 24"H

LYTHRUM

Loosestrife are long-flowering, usually from midsummer to Autumn, on erect, sturdy stems, essential 'also-runs' for fertile soil in sun. This usually looks after itself and only required cutting down at the end of year. Self supporting stems which cut well.

salicaria 'Blush' - New from Canada and a welcome addition bringing a gentler shade to the range, blush pink above massed foliage, the flowers seem to be two-toned 36"H

- *s. 'Lady Sackville'* - Very floriferous stately variety with magenta-pink spikes 36"H

- *s. 'Robert'* - Bright pink flowers on erect, stiff branched stems. 36"H

virgatum 'Rose Queen' - A dainty plant with slender flower spikes a deep violet pink. Often produces startling Autumn colour. Can be grown in bog. Correct name uncertain as original plant wrongly named. HELP 36"H

MALVA 'Park Allee' - A beautiful selection of woody but herbaceous mallow with glorious creamy blooms, touched with apricot and small double centres. Flowers through the Summer and makes a neat bush. Sun and well drained soil.60"H"

MALVASTRUM lateritium - The best way to see this lovely plant is as at Sissinghurst, trained up a wall. It has apricot flowers with dark eyes. It can also trail down a bank and its flowers are more freely produced in poor soil in full sun. 30"Stems

MARSHALLIA

grandiflora - Basal rosettes of deep green foliage, topped with beautiful large pink scabious-like flowers, enhanced by blue anthers from midsummer - commonly called 'Giant Barbara's buttons'. Prefers acidic soils in light shade, not too dry. A great plant. 12"H

trinerva - Barbara's Buttons - from the USA this little beauty has lilac pink flowers reminiscent of a scabious borne on purple stems throughout the Summer. Sun, any soil except thin chalk. 36"H

MELIANTHUS major AGM - One of the best foliage plants there is for sunny, sheltered, well drained position. Large grey-green leaves with serrated edges, on stout well branched stems. Mulch well in its first winter and only prune in Spring after the worst of the frosts have finished. 48"H

MERTENSIA

simplicissima - This appears to be the similar (or the same) as M.maritima (the Oyster Plant).Beautiful glaucous blue leaves and clusters of pale blue terminal flowers. Sun, gravelly soil. Worth the trouble taking slug precautions for this beautiful foliage plant. 12"H x 24"S

virginica AGM - Beautiful and charming plant from the borage family, this showy Spring perennial has nodding clusters of tubular blue flowers, which are pink in bud during April and May. Must have good soil in shade. Smooth blue-green foliage, dormant after flowering. 20"H

MIMULUS

These shrubby varieties thrive in dry positions, either against a sunny wall or as specimen tub plants. The successive 'snapdragon'-like flowers appear from about June and can continue if given shelter until the winter. Very harsh winters can cut back the evergreen foliage but unless you are very unlucky it usually grows back from the base, provided it has been put in a sheltered place. They do make stunning pot plants which will need winter protection. I offer the following:

aurantiacus AGM -Peachy orange flowers which always attract comment. 18"H

- *a. var. puniceus* - Blood orange red flowers. 18"H

'*Eleanor*' - One of the best with yellow flowers, the trumpets of which are outlined in white.

'*Popacatapetl*' - Enormous white flowers from June onwards

'*Verity Purple*' - Large purple flowers each edged in white. Just a few

MONARDA 'Petite Delight' PBR - New compact variety only growing to a foot tall with very bright clear pink flowers. It is highly disease resistant and maintains the rich green scented foliage throughout but does need moist well-drained soil. Bees love it, dead heading recommended.12"H

NEPETA

grandiflora 'Pool Bank' - Blue flowers each having conspicuous purple calyces. Upright growth particularly effective in mass planting. 24"H

racemosa 'Walker's Low' - An extremely charming 'Catmint'. Low growth with small frilled lavender mauve flowers. 20"H

x racemosa 'Snowflake' - Pure white 'catmint'. Grey-green leaves and low spreading habit. Any soil in Sun. 8"H x 15"S

unnamed variety - Deepest blue variety I have seen with particularly large flowers. Given to me as a cutting so don't know which variety it is. It is lovely though.

HEUCHERA

Excellent evergreen ground cover with many exciting new introductions with larger, brighter, wavier leaves. Prefer humus-rich soil in sun or part shade.

'Amber Waves' - This new variety is hitting the gardening world by storm - wonderful ruffled amber gold foliage - the light rose flowers are just secondary. Slow growing, preferring part shade.

'Chiqui' - This is not one of the purple leaved varieties but has rosettes of attractive apple-green foliage over which strong stemmed salmon-pink flowers are held well above the foliage. They pick well. 15"H

'Chocolate Ruffles' PBR - Outstanding new hybrid which makes an impressive clump of large red foliage with white foam flowers above in the Summer. I can't understand why this did not get an AGM because it is a wonderful performer. 12"H

'Ebony and Ivory' - Dark ebony-bronze foliage, excellent ivory flowers, lovely for picking. 18"H

'Magic Wand' AGM - Glossy green foliage, magenta flowers on erect, green brown stems. Clump forming and early flowering. Gained an AGM for its good flowers at the recent trials. 10"H

'Petite Marble Burgundy' - Compact bronze-silver leaves, delicate pink flowers with good dark stems from May to July. 8"H A nice little one for the rock garden.

'Rachel' - Dark green leaves, heavily suffused purple on the underside of the leaves. Very long flowering with attractive mid coral pink flowers. A good frontal plant staying neat all year. 12"H

'Silver Scrolls' - Excellent foliage plant with pronounced silver leaves with purple reverses which show through the leaves. White foamy flowers. 10"H

pulchella - Showy spikes of pink edged with burgundy flowers. Mounds of fresh green leaves. Flowers from May to July, remember the Latin for beautiful is pulchella. 12"H

HEUCHERELLA

'Burnished Bronze' - This Heuchera/Tiarella cross is a revolution in breeding, giving the best of both plants. Large cut leaves with a glossy bronze metallic sheen, pinky flowers in branched stems with repeat flowering. 14"H

'Viking Ship' - Maple shaped silvered foliage with sterile (thus very long flowering) deep coral-pink foamy flowers from April to October. The real value of this plant is that it looks wonderful even in dry shade. 18"H

HIERACIUM lanatum - The silvery-grey, downy broad leaves form lovely bold rosettes about one foot high and last in beauty the whole season. Although some of you might not like the dandelion-like flowers, I have always liked them, and these do not seed about all over the place.. Sun, well-drained, even poor soil. 24"H

HOSTA

Noble plants surviving almost anywhere although in sun they are more compact and often flower better and in shade the leaves are lush and larger with less flowering stems. In sunnier spots the soil should be moister. As if you did not know their enemy is the slug and snail, if I have to use slug pellets I ensure they are placed under old grapefruit skins so birds are not poisoned. They are excellent in pots. The following are offered:

'Aureomarginata' (montana)(v) - Magnificent with shiny mid-green leaves edged with wide gold margins. Pale lavender flowers. Makes an excellent pot plant.

'Guacamole' (v) - Medium sized with strong chartreuse leaves with wide green margins. Large fragrant white flowers on strong stems. 24"H

'June' (Tardiana)(v) - Medium sized with pale green heart shaped leaves with blue and green margins. One of the most attractive varieties around. Lavender flowers. 24"H

'Patriot' - Medium large with dark green leaves with broad pure white margins. White flowers. 30"H

'Paul's Glory' - Medium sized with gold heart-shaped leaves with blue-green margins. The centre of the leaves mature to white. White Flowers. 26"H

'Sum and Substance' AGM - Glossy heart-shaped yellow-green 20"long leaves, glaucous beneath becoming puckered when mature. Thriving in sun or part shade where it makes an impressive clump. Pale lilac flowers from mid Summer. 30"H 48

HYDRANGEA macrophylla 'Izu-No-Hana' - Still rare in cultivation this Japanese 'lacecap' has enchanting double flowers which will vary in colour according to the ph of your soil, from blue to lilac-pink. 36"H

HYPERICUM

maclareni - Roy Lancaster collected the seed of this primitive species in China in 1981. Dwarf about 2ft with narrow pointed leaves, star-shaped golden yellow flowers about 2in across. Given an Award of Merit by the RHS in 1986. Attractive small shrub. 24"H. Few

olympicum f.unif. 'Citrinum' - This makes a small evergreen 9in high sub-shrub. Slender stems hold terminal clusters of large pale yellow flowers whose central boss has long thin stamens. Good drainage in sun. In flower from May until July and sometimes beyond. 9"H

IBERIS 'Betty Swainson' - Almost never out of flower from when it starts in May, and an attractive, sun-loving plant with flower heads forming a corymb almost 2" across of chalk white. Although this is a short-lived perennial, it always leaves true seedlings. From Jane Sterndale-Bennett's mother in Australia and considered to be a hybrid. It is very pretty. 12"H

IPHEION

'Alberto Castillo' - Very free flowering with large white flowers, slightly violet scented. Hardy and clumps up well, when there will be an endless succession of flowers from February to May. 8"H

uniflorum 'Froyle Mill' AGM - A rarer more attractive form of this attractive long flowering bulb, deep blue flowers in Winter and again in Spring. Easily pleased in any well drained position, sun, heavy shade. Useful giving colour under shrubs in the Spring. Summer dormant. 6"H

IPOMOEA lobata - Climber with crimson-flushed stems and showy scarlet tubular flowers which fade to orange then yellow on erect one-sided racemes throughout the Summer and Autumn. In a conservatory this can flower throughout the year. Hardy to 45F or 5C. 6ft to 15ft high

IRIS

ensata - Japanese Iris require acid soil with constant moisture, they can make good pot plants if these conditions are copied. Of all the Irises these are the most sumptuous, velvety and largest in flower.

The following are offered:

- e. **'Gracieuse'** - White flowers edged in lilac-blue in June, very pretty. 36"H

- e. **'Pin Stripe'** - 8" large white flowers with striking and detailed blue veining. June/July. 32"H

- e. **'Rose Queen'** - Beautiful variety with drooping falls in soft pink. 26"H

foetidissima var. citrina - Strong shining clumps of rich evergreen leaves, invaluable as a garden feature. Small flowers of soft yellow, pencilled in brown. Its glory in Autumn when the seed pods burst to reveal vivid orange seeds. An extremely useful plant as grows in dry shade. 24"H 18"S

lazica AGM - Very vigorous and free-flowering iris, of the unguicularis persuasion but preferring a shady spot. Great foliage too.

sibirica - Almost any position or soil suit, best results from plants in moist soil in sun. They make good clumps of grassy foliage and even in seed add a little something to the borders. They usually flower in Early Summer and some of the newer varieties rebloom later as well. The following are offered:

- s. **'Dance Ballerina Dance'** - Ruffled pale lilac-pink standards with pink falls marked with honey in the signal, petals edged with white. A beautiful new addition. May to June 24"H

- s. **'Butter and Sugar'** - Lovely pale yellow reblooming form with creamy standards and buttery falls.

- s. **'Chartreuse Bounty'** - More open flowers than some varieties, pale creamy-yellow standards with green-flushed falls. Reblooms 36"H

- s. **'Shirley Pope' AGM** - Vibrant form with 4" dark velvety reddish-purple flowers in a semi-flared form, striking white signals. June/July. 28"H

- s. **'Welcome Return'** - Dark velvet-blue flowers with large white blotch on falls. Reblooms.

'What Again' (SDB) - Wisteria blue standard with yellow falls in April and early May with a second flush in August and September. Sun, well drained. 14"H

JASIONE laevis 'Blaulich'(Blue Light) - An appealing blue flowered plant grown for its pin-cushion like flowers which are carried for long periods through the Summer. For rock garden or front of border in well drained soils in sun. 12"H

KIRENGESHOMA palmata - A unique plant of great beauty, thriving in deep acidic soil which does not dry out. In September the cool yellow waxy bell-shaped flowers are produced in sprays. Keep away from cold winds. 36"H

KNAUTIA macedonica 'Mars Midget' - New short cultivar with deep crimson pincushion flowers which flowers tirelessly all Summer. As it is shorter and more compact than the species, its sturdier and does not edge out its companions. Attracts butterflies. Well drained, sun or part shade. 16"H

KNIPHOFIA

Red Hot Pokers are not all that ghostly coarse red and orange plant that many people associate with them. In fact they are wonderful plants, adding colour and useful upright accents to any border. All prefer well-drained but fertile soil in sun. Give them a good mulch, particularly first season. .

'Bees Sunset' AGM - Yellowish-orange flowers on dark brown stems from May to July on deciduous variety. One of the few Pokers to have an AGM 36"H

'Candlelight' - The pokers are luminous yellow with orange-red tips. Small and elegant variety with grassy leaves only reaching 18in.

'Goldfinch' - Although this is a sturdy poker it has quite an airy effect with graceful good sized flowers a very pleasing yellow. 48"H

'Light of the World' - Desirable variety with slender grassy foliage and elegant flared pokers of a glowing pale orange from September to November. 30"H

'Nancy's Red' - Slender deep coral-red waxy flowers from brick-red buds, a truly wonderful colour, neat growing. Effective with copper foliage. 24"H

'Percy's Pride' - Free flowering vigorous variety with stout green, fading to cream flowers from August to November. One of the best. 30"H

'Strawberries and Cream' - Originally a Beth Chatto seedling with buds of strawberry-red opening cream from the base in tapering heads. Long succession of flowers from midsummer to end September 24"H

'Tawny King' - An exceptional selection by John May - dark bronze stems topped by tawny brown buds which open to cream from July to October. Free flowering and easy to grow. 48"H

'Timothy' - This eye-catching poker has dark stems, bronze in bud, followed by large soft pink flowers which fade to cream. 40"H

'Wrexham Buttercup' - Perhaps the finest yellow poker with striking clear bright yellow dense spikes emerging from green buds in August and September. 48"H

thomsoni var thomsoni - One of the longest flowerers of the pokers, mid summer to late Autumn. The well spaced narrow spikes of soft orange flowers have a lower petticoat of fiery yellow-orange florets. The flowers also pick well and look great in flower arrangements. 36"H

LAMIUM

Dead Nettle - Foliage plants par excellence - preferring shade and moistish soil. Can be cut hard back at any time to get the best juvenile foliage.

maculatum 'Aureum' - A choice and non-rampart golden foliage variety requiring cool conditions and freedom from direct sunlight for best foliage effects. I don't much care for the pink flowers but they are