

Mail order Plant list Autumn 2011.

This is an up to date list for mail order purposes as we have sold out of many of the plants on the main list.

More plants will be added to in Feb 2012

We offer mail order between 1st Oct and 31st March. Just phone 01422 203553 or email info@dovecottagenursery.co.uk with your selections for availability, pot size, price and carriage.

Numbers inside brackets represent approximate months of flowering.

e.g. (4-6) April to June.

** Denotes The plant produces flowers suitable for cutting. Much of what we grow!

ZZZ Attractive to bees. Plants often have a square stem and are members of the lamiaceae family, which means 'lipped' and refers to the lip shaped flower petals.

AGM. Award of Garden Merit. Given by the Royal Horticultural Society.

New. Means new to our catalogue, but not necessarily new to cultivation.

Prices can vary depending on the size of plants available at the time and the genus.

As a general rule prices start at 9cm £4.60 , 1 litre £5.00, 1.5 litre £5.50, 2litre £6.50.

ACHILLEA. **Yarrow. Suit a sunny well drained site. But can be grown on heavier soils if sharp grit and sand are mixed with the soil when planting. If clumps become too dense divide and replant in spring. A cut back in September stimulates basal growth for better winter survival. Early spring protect from slugs and snails. The flat heads look very striking when combined spires of e.g. Salvia and Veronica or Veronicastrum.

A. millefolium 'Lansdorferglut'. Rich salmon red, fades slowly. 3ft. AGM.

A. m. 'Lilac Beauty'. New. Mauve pink flowers, fading paler. 2ft.

A. ptarmica 'Ballerina'. Small double white flowers on a bushy plant. Can cut small pieces for little glass or paste vases-very sweet. (6-9) 1½ft.

ACONITUM. **Zz. Monkshood. This genus provides good spring foliage and of course excellent upright flower spires. Much simpler to grow than Delphiniums, but all parts are poisonous if eaten. Sun or partial shade. Divide in Autumn or Spring. Can self seed.

Aconitum 'Bressingham Spire'. Violet blue hooded flowers. (7-8) 2-3ft. AGM.

A. carmichaelii Wilsonii Group. Large blue flowers. (8-9 or 9-10). 6ft.

A. carm. Wilsonii Group 'Spatlese'. Pearly mid blue excellent plant. (7-9) 5ft.

A. napellus 'Berfurst'. Dark inky blue helmets. (6-7) 4-5ft.

A. 'Pink Sensation'. Pearly pink flowers mid summer. Slower to clump up. 4-5ft.

A. 'Stainless Steel'. Subtle, silver-grey with a hint of blue. (7-8) 4-5ft.

ACTAEA syn. Cimicifuga. Bugbane. **Zz. Grow best on rich retentive ground. They provide attractive foliage from it's emergence in spring, sweetly scented flowers in late summer and autumn, good seed heads. Taller on rich moist soil.

A. s. a 'Pink Spike'. Black foliage. Scented white- touch of pink flower spikes. 4-5ft.

AGASTACHE. **Zzz. Require sun and good drainage. Protect from slugs early season. Aromatic foliage. The seed heads look good through our long winters. Bee and butterfly plant. Although these plants normally grow in much warmer climates, all have survived for us over the last two winters.

Agastache 'After Eight'. Dark foliage, spikes of mauve flower. (8-9) Self seeds. 12".

A. 'Black Adder'. Attractive violet blue flowers in dark calyces. Sterile. 3ft.

A. 'Blue Fortune'. Strong growing forms a denser bush. Support. 4-5ft. AGM.

A. 'Linda'. Slim mauve flower spikes. Makes a big airy plant second year. 2½ft.

A. 'Purple Haze'. Mauve flowers. A finer plant with darker foliage. 2ft.

#A. 'Raspberry Summer'. Large pink hooded flowers. (7-10). 32".

A. 'Serpentine'. Soft blue flowers atop tall arching stems. 4ft.

#A. 'Summer Love'. New. Mid pink flowers. 3ft.

#A. 'Summer Sky'. New. Blue flowers. 2ft.

Alchemilla mollis. **'Lady's Mantle'. Sprays of tiny yellow flowers, good foliage plant. Dead head to avoid precocious self seeding and cut back for renewed freshness. Love it or hate it we are not too proud to sell it and it is a favourite for cutting. Grows anywhere. AGM.

Amsonia orientalis. **Pale blue small starry flowers. Longest flowering variety. (6-10) Spreads gently underground providing lots of stems for cutting. 12-15".

Anemone x hybrida 'Honorine Jobert'. Really good white Japanese Anemone for late flowers in sun or part shade. 3-4ft. Spreads.

ANTHEMIS. ** Hardy if grown in sun and well drained soil as not always tolerant of Winter wet. Dead head regularly but not in an evening! When the petals droop. Best to tidy the plant in Spring rather than Autumn. Propagation is easy by cuttings. Cut flower.

Anthemis cuppaniana. Chalk white daisies over grey foliage. (5-7) 15".

A. sancti-johannis. Bright orange-yellow daisies. (5-8) Grey foliage. 30".

A. 'Susanna Mitchell'. Grey foliage, delightful creamy-yellow daisies early and mid summer. Good cut flower. 15". Spread 2ft.

A. 'Tinpeny Sparkle'. Off white daisies above grey-green foliage. (6-9) 12-16"

A. tinctoria 'E.C.Buxton'. Fresh lemon daisies all summer long. (6-11) 20".

Aquilegia v. 'Woodside Gold'. New. Golden foliage in spring, blue flowers. 2ft.

Aruncus 'Horatio'. An excellent selection of goats beard. Grown here in our calm yellow and white border, along side *Thalictrum pubescens*. Good cut foliage and plumes of white small flowers. Early Autumn colour and good seed heads. 5ft.

Aster ageratoides 'Ezo Murasaki'. New. Sprays of small purple flowers, (9&10). 2ft. 1ltr £5

Aster dumosus 'Mittelmeer'. Mid blue double flowers (9-10) Forms a compact dense bush. 18"

A. x f. 'Monch'. Large lavender-blue flowers on arching stems. Floriferous. (6 or 7-9 or 10) Tidy in spring and protect from slugs. Well known and popular. 2-3ft. AGM. 9cm £4.60.

A. n-b. 'Neron'. Vibrant deep pink double flowers. (9-10) Dense bush. Sun. 18". 9cm £4.60.

A. pyrenaicus 'Lutetia'. Pale, lilac-blue daisies on branched arching sprays. (8-11) Forms a tight woody clump, divide every 4 years. Sun and winter drainage. 2ft. sp 3ft. 2ltr @ £6.50.

ASTRANTIA. **Zzz. One of the most important plants in our garden having a very long flowering period from mid May to October and being easy to grow on our improved clay soil. They grow well in rich, moisture retentive soil. We offer the better varieties in dark reds, pinks and white. Remove spent flower stems to encourage repeat flowering and to prevent seed shedding as plants grown from seed are variable. Water if dry. Sun or partial shade. Most varieties are planted in our nursery stock beds. Slug proof.

Astrantia 'Buckland'. This subtle plant flowers continuously May to October. Large soft pink centres surrounded by pale pink bracts. Forms seed so we dead stem. 2-3ft.

A. 'Bury Court'. New. Distinct form with large dark red flowers. 3-4ft.

A. 'Clear Pink'. New. Later into flower and compact. Repeats well. (6-10) 18".

A. 'Florence'. A new really good soft pink selection. Flowers continuously. (5-10) Vigorous 3-4ft.

A. m. 'Gill Richardson Group'. Large dark, ruby flowers. (5-7) with a cut back and water if a dry summer repeats (8-11) Vigorous and highly recommended. 2ft. Sp 2ft.

A. m. var. rosea 'George's Form'. Star like two toned pink flowers with bracts a good match with Aconitum 'Pink Sensation'. (6-11). Named by George Smith of York. As you would expect from George it is a good cut flower. Later to start flowering than Roma. Bare root. £5

A. m. 'Ruby Star'. Excellent plant which repeat flowers all summer. 2ft.

A. m. subsp involucrata 'Jumble Hole'. Large fresh white and green flowers (5-10). Superb plant. Very long flowering season with dead heading, still looks good in November (5-11) 3ft.

A. 'Roma'. Excellent Piet Oudolf selection. Sterile rich pink flowers (5-6 and 8-11). A favourite of ours; if you haven't noticed. Builds to 2-3ft. Divide every 3rd or 4th year.

A. 'Super Star'. Excellent new variety. Large white flowers (5-11). Vigorous. 30".

A. 'Washfield'. Later into flower and a distinct colour; red with an iridescent mauve cast. Repeat flowers (5-11) so tidy throughout summer to keep looking fresh. Cut flower. 2ft.

Basil 'African Blue'. Zz. New. Superb ornamental and edible basil. A must for your back door herb patch or pots. Foliage has purple veining. Leave some stems to flower as the bees love the blue-purple flowers. Protect in winter. 2½ft. Sp. 12".

BRUNNERA. **Sprays of forget-me-not type flowers above good bold foliage. Will thrive in p. shade or shade, even dry shade but seems to flower longer in moister soils. Work really well beneath north facing walls or fences, especially house walls. Superb in full flower. Dead head after flowering. Combine with Aquilegia, Polemonium, Ger. sylvaticum, Primulas or Pulmonaria.

Brunnera macrophylla. 'Jack Frost'. Silvered leaves, blue flowers. Position in the shade if kept in containers. H. 18". Spread 2-3ft. AGM.

B. m. 'Looking Glass'. Silvered foliage. Blue flowers (2 or 3-6+)

B. m. 'Mr. Morse'. Fresh white flowers and silvered green foliage. (3-6+)

Bupleurum falcatum. **Sprays of tiny yellow flowers on wiry stems, similar to fennel. (6-9) A useful self seeder for dry stony areas. Nice in mixed containers. 12". Seed available. £2.

Calamintha nepeta 'Blue Cloud'. **Zz. Haze of pale blue tiny flowers on wiry stems above a mat of aromatic foliage. (8-10). Has self sow in gravel. Needs good drainage and a trim back in spring or autumn. 6-10". All are drought tolerant.

C. n. 'Harrogate'. Zzz. New. Larger flowers and foliage. 12".

C. nepeta nepeta. **Zzz. The cloud of tiny mauve flowers are a magnet to bees in Aug and Sept. Aromatic minty shiny foliage. H 12". Width 15".

CAMPANULA. C. latiloba 'Highcliffe' introduced me to Bell flowers when we first planted the small garden behind our cottage some 25 years ago! Here are a few to choose from; large and small for borders and pots. Typical cottage garden plants.

Campanula persicifolia 'Blue Eyed Blond'. New. Lime spring foliage, deep blue flowers. 2ft

C. p. 'La Bonne Amie'. New. Double white. 2ft.

C. portenschlagiana. Dalmatian bellflower. Small evergreen ivy-like leaves covered in mauve cup shaped flowers (7-8) Low tumbling habit. Sun or partial shade. 6". Sp 18". Lovely plant.

C. poscharskyana 'Blue Waterfall'. Trailing and long flowering so nice in wall tops, window boxes, rockeries or border edges. (6-12!) H. 4" Spread 2ft. Indispensable.

C. p. 'Stella'. Darker flower than above and neater habit. Buns of foliage to edge a path, with blue bell flowers all summer. H. 4". Spread 12". AGM.

C. x pulloides 'Jelly Bells'. New. Lots of deep blue cups in summer. 8-12". Sp 15".

C. 'Royal Wave'. New. Scented. Showy upward facing, bright blue, white centred large flowers over a mound of green strong foliage. (4-5) H 5". Sp. 15".

C. 'Summertime Blues'. New. Steely blue hanging bells open from plum buds (6-9) Pink upright stems and small leaves. Sun or part shade. 18- 24". Sp. 18".

CENTAUREA. **Zzz. Cottage garden favourites, tough and flower well, coming back year after year. We all know the popular blue flowered C. montana, we have a few new ones for you to try. Easy to grow in any soil, need some sun and are long flowering and also important to me with my vintage jugs in mind are good for cutting.

Centaurea montana 'Black Sprite'. **New. Typical ragged cornflowers. The flower colour makes me think of blackberries and plums. (7-8) 15". Must find space! For lots.

Chamaemelum nobile 'Flore Pleno'. **Double flowered chamomile. A touch of the hand releases the sweet aroma. Small pretty double cream pom-pom flowers. (7-9) 6".
C. n. 'Treneague'. Non flowering, for chamomile lawns. Low spreading growth.

Cirsium rivulare 'Atropurpureum'. Zzz. Magenta-purple thistle flowers on tall strong stems. Young plants repeat flower all summer, so best to divide every 3 or 4 years. (5-10). Rivulare suggests a moisture lover. Good planted with Calamagrostis 'Karl Foerster' for a mid summer display. Always seen at Chelsea! 4-5 ft. 2 litre @ £6.50.

Cosmos 'Chocamocha'. New. **Chocolate scent and chocolate coloured flowers. (7-9) 12". Tuberos so needs a winter mulch. Sunny well drained site. Lovely treat plant. H. 15". I pop it into a glass vase with similar dark coloured Dahlias and a splash of orange. Flowers much longer in a green house and you get the chocolate scent too.

DIANTHUS. carthusianorum. Rich pink flowers on 2 ft glaucous stems. Superb black winter skeleton. Planted here in gravel with eryngiums, agastache, calamintha and grasses.
D. 'Kim'. Clusters of small deep pink fls. on arching stems (6-11) 'Good doer' like me!
D. species. Grassy evergreen foliage studded with dainty bright pink flowers on wiry stems all summer. Self sowing biennial. Could naturalize in dry thin soils. 8". A kind gift a number of years ago from the head gardener at Waltham Place.

DIGITALIS. Zzz. Foxgloves are very important for bees and other insects. We have foxgloves in flower from May until October. Also grown for their spires. Sun or p. shade.
D. 'Spice Island'. Reputedly long lived. Long heads of green budded, flowers opening a coppery yellow with cinnamon tracings inside. (5-10). Sterile. 3ft.

ECHEVERIA. And other tender succulents. We always have a nice selection, to grow as houseplants or in pots or containers for the summer. Come in 3" round pots perfect for slipping into a Mug, clay pot or one of our wire baskets to make an unusual gift. Bigger plants also.

ECHINACEA. **Zzz. The word Echinacea comes from the Greek word *Echinos* meaning Hedgehog. A favourite of ours. They grow well if given; good soil, no competition, protection from slugs early and sun. All are scented at a certain stage of flowering and adored by bees and butterflies. The large flowers stand out beautifully in August. Exciting new colour breaks. Good seed heads, until eaten by the birds. Lots to choose from. 9cm £6.50

Echinacea 'Green Jewel'. Green petals and cone. From Piet Oudolf. 2ft.

E. 'Hot Lava'. Very new. Fabulous deep orange red broad petals surround an orange cone. Strong stems. 4ft.

E. pallida. Pink drooping ethereal petals. Long flowering. My desert Island plant. 2-3ft.

- E. p. 'Fatal Attraction'**. Intense purple-pink. Dark stems. 2-3ft.
- E. p. 'Jade'**. White, horizontal green tipped petals and a green central cone. 2½ft.
- E. 'Virgin'**. Horizontal white rays surround a green turning to bronze cone. 2-2½ft.
- E. 'Summer Sky'. Or 'Katie Saul'**. New. Russet orange flowers, scented. (7-8) 2½ft.
- E. 'Tomato Soup'**. Very new. Deep red orange flowers. (8-9) 80cm. Has been good this summer.

Erigeron 'Dunkelste Aller'. **New. Semi-double, violet flowers. (6-8) H. & Sp. 2ft. AGM.

E. glauca 'Sea Breeze'. Pink daisies on a compact plant. (5-9) Sun and w.drained soil. A cheerful easy to grow plant, just tidy in spring. H. 8". Sp. 12".

E. karvinskianus. White-tinged pink, small daisies, all summer. Try one in a clay pot, basket, hanging basket or window box. Pretty lining a path. Seeds around. 8". AGM. 9cm £4

E. 'Sommerneuschnee'. **White daisies tinged with lilac above an evergreen mat of foliage. Flowers all summer with dead heading, nice to cut too. H. 18". Sp. 18".

ERYNGIUM. Zzz. Eryngo, sea holly. Develop a long tap root to search out water. Prefer full sun and sharp drainage. Winter skeletons.

Eryngium bourgatii 'Picos Blue'. Has self sown here in gravel to produce stunning plants. (7-9 or 10) 18"-2ft. See catalogue cover.

E. 'Dove Cottage Hybrids'. Sky blue and deeper blue shades. (6-7 and repeats 9) 2ft.

E. g. 'Silver Ghost'. Similar to Miss Willmott's Ghost but shorter. Spiny silver heads. Self seeds in our gravel bed and paths. Take care, you may get pricked. AGM.

E. x zabelii 'Jos Eiking'. Intense lavender blue flower heads and foliage. (6-8) 2½ft.

ERYSIMUM. Perennial wallflower. Evergreen. For a sunny, well drained site and not too exposed to cold winds. Scented flowers from spring until late summer.

Erysimum 'Winter Orchid'. New. Fab rich colour; flowers emerge as a coppery orange, turning to purple as they age. (4-7) H. 12" Sp. 18".

EUPATORIUM. **Zzz. **Joe Pyeweed**. Big bold late summer flowering perennials. Very attractive to butterflies and bees. Several are planted in our garden.

E. m. 'Atropurpureum'. Large purplish flower heads on tall dark stems. Powder-puff seed heads and a good winter silhouette. (8-11) Builds to 6-8ft depending on the soil. 6ft in our garden. A magnet to butterflies. AGM. **2ltrs**

E. p. m. 'Riesenschirm'. Larger heads and slightly arching dark stems. 6-7ft. AGM. 2ltrs

EUPHORBIA. Caution; the white sap can burn skin and eyes.

E. 'Redwing'. Smaller and evergreen. Yellow-green spring flowers. 12-18".

Filipendula rubra 'Venusta'. Queen of the prairie. Dark stems produce pink beaded trusses and by mid-summer fluffy pink cloud like heads. A wet prairie plant but will do

well on average soil. Sun or p. shade. H. 6ft. Sp. yes it does, but easily removed. AGM. 9cm £4

Galium odoratum. **Sweet woodruff. Pretty tiny white flowers (5-7) Spreading ground cover. Sun or shade. 6" Taller if amongst other plants. Lovely in a little vase. Bare root. £4

GERANIUM. **Hardy geraniums are very popular and we offer just a small selection; avoiding those which are too generous at self seeding or having a short flowering period..

G. 'Blue Cloud'. Pale blue flowers. (6-10) Sun or p. shade. H. 2ft. Spread 3ft. AGM.

G. 'Brookside'. Large blue fls. (6-9) Forms big clumps. Good border filler plant. 2-3ft.

G. dalmaticum 'Album'. New. White flowers (6-7) above aromatic, semi evergreen foliage. Easy little plant for sun or shade. 4".

G. 'Dilys'. Forms a green carpet studded with magenta pink flowers, (6-11) We plant this geranium to form low ground cover between Molinias and Sedums. S. 1m. AGM.

G. 'Joy'. Lovely medium sized plant. Mauve flowers. (6-9). Sun or p. shade. H & Sp. 12".

G. macrorrhizum 'Pindus'. New. Aromatic spreading foliage, clusters of magenta pink flowers. (4-6). Easy, any soil in sun or shade. 10-12".

G. 'Mavis Simpson'. Cupped shell pink flowers all summer. Grey-green foliage trails or carpets. Border plant but also good in our long tom pots or as a single plant for a hanging basket. Sun or some shade. H 9". Sp 2-3ft lax flowering stems. AGM.

G. 'Melinda'. New, good pale pink cranesbill with a long flowering time and tidy habit. Perfect for the border front. (5-9) Sun or p. shade. H & Sp. 18".

G. 'Orion'. Large dark blue flowers. (5-8) Autumn leaf colour. 2ft. AGM.

G. 'Orkney Cherry'. New. Low growing bronze foliage, bright pink white centred flowers. (6-9) Cut back to 4" in spring if untidy. Sun. H. 12". Sp. 24".

G. 'Patricia'. Large vibrant pink flowers for a very long period. Height and spread 3ft if supported. Sun or part shade. Sterile. AGM.

G. 'Pink Carpet'. New. Forms a fresh green carpet with pink flowers. (5-11) 4".

G. pyrenaicum 'Bill Wallis'. Early sprays of violet small flowers, then continually until frosts. Self sows. 15". Sun or p. shade will tolerate poor ground if seeded. Few.

G. x riv. 'Russell Prichard'. Magenta pink flowers. (6-10) Sun. H. 9" Sp 2ft.

G. 'Rozanne'. Exceptional. Large violet-blue with paler centre and dark anthers. Long flowering (6-11). Sun or part shade. H. 2ft. spread 3ft. For pot or border. AGM.

G. 'Rozette'. Pink white centred flowers (6-9) Low and wide.

G. 'Sandrine'. New. Magenta-purple, dark centred flowers (6-10) Yellow spring foliage. Bred in France. Similar to G. 'Ann Folkard'. Vigorous. H. & Sp. 2ft.

G. sylvaticum 'Album'. Clusters of white flowers. (5-6 & 7) Dead head as usually repeat flowers. Sun or partial shade. 18"-2ft. Bare root. £5

G. 'Tanya Randall'. Shiny brown foliage covered in small bright pink flowers (5-12) Sun. Could team this foliage with coloured containers. H. 5" Sp. 18".

G. 'Tiny Monster'. New. Large magenta flowers (6-11). Low and wide ground cover.

G. wlassovianum. New. Magenta-purple, heavily veined flowers. (7-9) Brilliant autumn colour. Sun or partial shade. 12". Sp. 2ft.

GEUM. Dependable front of border perennials. Regular division encourages flowering; don't let them get too comfortable. Will grow in most soils, in sun or partial shade.

Geum 'Bell Bank'. Reintroduced into cultivation by us. Bred by the late Geoffrey Smith. The flowers are double opening from fat dark nodding buds. As the flowers develop the veined petals change colour fading to paler pink and becoming upward facing. Fluffy seed heads. Prefers a cool spot and retentive soil. Sun or shade. 12".

G. 'Lemon Drops'. Back on the list. Pale lemon nodding flowers. (5-6 repeats 9-10) 10".

G. 'Lisanne'. Large yellow flowers early summer. Sun or part shade. H. 12".

G. 'Prinses Juliana'. Semi- double orange flowers. (5-11) 15". Divide regularly.

G. 'Werner Arends'. Semi double orange flowers. (5-11) Neat and good. 6".

Gypsophila repens 'Rosa Schonheit'. Low mat of foliage studded with pink flowers (7-9) 6". Lovely cascading a pot. Tough and evergreen.

G. 'Rosenschleier'. (Rosy Veil) A cloud of tiny double pale pink flowers. (6-8). H. 10" Sp 18". Sun and well drained soil or pot. AGM.

HELENIUM. Sneezewort. Dense foliage and rich autumnal colours. Grow in sun. Divide in late winter-spring, this reduces height and plants then stand up better if it is a wet, windy summer! Good seed heads like lollipops.

Helenium 'Fiesta'. New. Eye catching red flowers with a gold band at the tips of petals and another surrounding the dark brown central button. (8-9) A sturdy 5ft.

H. 'Kupferzwerg'. (copper dwarf) Coppery red flowers with yellow tips. A shorter sturdy variety forming dense clumps. (8-9) 2-2½ ft.

H. 'Mardi Gras'. Long flowering, yellow splashed with orange. Brown cone. Similar to 'Sahin's Early'. 3ft.

H. 'Marion Nickig'. Small neat orange-red blooms yellower towards tips. (8-9) 3ft.

H. 'Rubinzwerg'. Red-brown flowers. (8-9) 32". AGM.

H. 'Sahin's Early Flowerer'. A vigorous plant and excellent flowerer (6-11) with dead heading. Large showy flowers yellow streaked brown-orange. 3-4ft. AGM.

H. 'Septemberfusch'. Glowing smaller flowers-dusky red with like a salmon sheen. The last to flower usually starts 3rd week in Sept. Good with the dark blue flowers of Aconitum Wilson group and Asters. 5ft.

H. 'Waldtraut'. A really good variety for early flowers and a good repeat 3 weeks after dead heading. Yellow turning orange with red streaks. (6-9) 3-4ft. AGM.

H. 'Wesergold'. Lovely combination of a brown boss and yellow petals. (6-9) Keeps on flowering no need to dead head. 30". AGM.

Helianthus giganteus 'Sheila's Sunshine'. Pale yellow daisies atop willowy tall stems. (8-11) 7-8ft. Less tall on poor ground. Cut flower if you can reach, use a pole saw or a very tall vase ! No staking as sturdy. Bare root.

H. 'Lemon Queen'. Vigorous and floriferous, lemon daisies. (8-11) 5-6 feet. Sun. Cut for a vase. Good late summer perennial sunflower. Forms a tight clump. Support. AGM. Bare root. £5.

H. microcephalus. US native, masses of smaller yellow flowers (8-9) 5-6ft Sp 4-5ft.

HEUCHERA. ** Excellent foliage plants for sun or shade. Container or border. Really good foliage plants for mixed containers I give a few recipes below. Mainly in 9cm pots @ £4.60.

Heuchera 'Berry Smoothie'. New. Pink foliage of a darker shade when cooler. White flowers, (5-8) H. 18". Sp. 18".

H. 'Cinnabar Silver'. New. Silver foliage and deep red flowers. Nice combination.

H. 'Electra'. New. Golden foliage which turns to beige in winter, with red veining. White flowers. Best grown in dappled shade or shade. 12".

H. 'Ginger Peach'. New. Ruffled foliage in a tight clump. White flowers.

H. 'Green Spice'. Red veins through silver foliage and a green edge. Airy tall flowers. We have combined it with the green flowered Primula 'Francisca', Viola 'Irish Molly', V. 'Mary Mouse', Sedum r. 'Angelina and Acaena inermis purpurea. In a red salt glaze sink. This combination is good all year round.

H. 'Hollywood'. New. Dark metallic veined foliage, intense dark pink flowers. (4-7) I have planted this one in a peggy tub with trailing Geraniums 'Dilys' and 'Mavis Simpson', plus Erigeron karvinskianus and Dianthus 'Kim'. for months of pleasure!

H. 'Lemon Ciffon'. New. Yellow spring foliage, chartreuse for the rest of the year. Pale coral pink flowers. (4-8). Would light up a dark area.

H. 'Lipstick'. Superb red flowers above nice marbled green, red and silver foliage. Going to plant with purple Viola 'Martin' next spring.

H. 'Midnight Rose'. Plum foliage splashed and spotted with pink. Insignificant flowers. I like this one with pink flowered violas and hardy geraniums.

H. 'Obsidian' Very dark glossy foliage. White-grey flowers.

H. 'Paris'. New. Lots of good intense pink flowers above dark green, silvered foliage. 14". Nice edging a path or plant up an old zinc bath tub by adding our long flowering violas to trail and mingle from late spring to autumn.

H. 'Peach Flambe'. Bright peach in spring and autumn, softer in summer and plum in winter! Chameleon plant. Useful foliage colour.

H. 'Petite Marble Burgundy'. Compact. Bronze-silver leaves, delicate ivory-pink flowers from dark stems. (5-7) 8". Dies back in the winter.

H. 'Plum Pudding'. Deep plum-red evergreen, glossy foliage. Medium sized.

H. 'Plum Royale'. Glossy silvered plum foliage.

H. 'Rave On'. Neat purple leaves with a heavy silver overlay. Lots of pink flowers. (6-7) 12". Sun or partial shade.

H. 'Root Beer'. New. I love the flower colour- creamy beige. Good healthy caramel-peach foliage H.15". Sp. 15".

H. 'Silver Scrolls'. Pewter-silver scalloped leaves-purple reverse. Slim stems of bigger good white flowers. Good planted in front of Box balls or other evergreens (4-11) Cut flower. 2-2½ft.

H. 'Southern Comfort'. New. Large cinnamon-peach leaves which change to burnt-copper and amber. Cream flowers. (7-9) H. 18". Sp. 2ft.

H. 'Sparkling Burgundy'. New. Shiny burgundy foliage, with orange tints in summer. White flowers. (4-7)

HEUCHERELLA. *Zzz.* Heuchera x Tiarella. For sun or shade. Good foliage.
Heucherella 'Golden Zebra'. New. Bright yellow with red centre and veining. Cream flowers (4-7) H. 18".

Heucherella 'Sweet Tea'. New. Fab orange leaves with cinnamon veining, burgundy during cool months. Nice white flowers. H.10". Sp.15".

H. 'Tapestry'. New. Green foliage with a dark centre, good sized pink flowers. Will combine well with Polemoniums and Primulas. H. 10". Sp. 15".

Kalimeris 'Antonia'. Blue rounded daisies. Discovered on a German nursery, has a deeper blue flower than Charlotte. 18". All varieties are easy and long flowering.

K, i. 'Nana Blue'. Pale blue daisies (6-9) good short variety. 12".

Laserpitium siler. White cow parsley type flowers. (6-7) Sun, p. shade. 2-3ft.

Lobelia hybrid (Elizabeth Strangman) Tubular red smaller flowers. (7-9) 28".

L. 'Red Beauty'. New. Reddish-pink flowers late summer. 2-3ft.

Lychnis 'Rollie's Favorite'. One of our best perennials. Clumps of foliage, upright stems carry loose heads of bright pink Champion type flowers. (4-7) Trim for a repeat. 15".

LYTHRUM. ***Zzz.* Purple loosestrife. Easy to grow and place as combines so well with many summer flowering plants and grasses, especially Echinacea, Monarda, Persicaria and Phlox. Their rich coloured spires create impact. Nice dry dead stems in winter. Sun or p. shade. Moisture retentive soil but will grow on wetter and drier sites.

Lythrum salicaria 'Blush'. Spires of blush pink flowers. (7-10) 2-3ft. AGM.

L. v. 'Dropmore Purple'. Purple flowers. Perfect plant! (7-9) 3ft.

L. v. 'The Rocket'. A vivid deep pink form. Denser flower spikes-showy. (7-9) 30-36".

Melittis melissophyllum 'Royal Velvet Distinction'. *Zzz.* New. Orchid like flowers 3 white upper petals and a crimson-purple, white edged lower petal. (5 or 6-7 or 8). 18".

MONARDA. ***Zz.* Bee balm. Aromatic. Whorls of shaggy flowers, the date and duration of flowering depends on the variety. (7-8 or 9). Grow in good, moisture retentive soil, in sun or p. shade. Mildew; all are pretty resistant and we don't worry as the flowers contribute so much to our garden in July and August. Persistent winter silhouettes.

Monarda 'Balance'. Rich pink whorls of flowers. 3-4ft. **Mainly 1ltrs.**

M. 'Beauty of Cobham'. Pale pink with plum bracts. Less mildew resistant. 3-4ft.

M. 'Elsie's Lavender'. Pale ghostly lavender pink flowers. Forms a tight clump. 3ft.

M. 'Fishes'. Green bracted pale pink flowers. 3-4ft.

M. 'Garden View Scarlet'. Show stopping, large red flowers. Vigorous. 4ft. AGM.

M. 'Gewitterwolke'. 'Thundercloud'. New. Dark foliage, deep red-purple flowers. 4ft.

M. 'Kardinal'. Magenta flowers. Darker bracts. 4ft.

M. 'Mohawk'. Mauve-pink. See catalogue front cover. 4ft.

- M. 'Neon'**. A Piet Oudolf selection with lilac-purple flowers and dark bracts. 3- 4ft.
- M. 'On Parade'**. Magenta crimson flowers. See inside back cover. 30".
- M. 'Othello'**. The darkest flowered bee balm we grow, a sultry burgundy. 4ft.
- M. 'Oudolf's Charm'**. Pale lilac-pink flowers with dark red bracts and stems. 2ft.
- M. 'Pawnee'**. Pale lilac. Distinct and has something about it. 5ft 6".
- M. 'Pink Tourmaline'**. Vivid raspberry pink flowers again dark bracts. 3-4ft.
- M. 'Talud'**. Unusual and fabulous glowing pink. Very long flowering. 3ft. AGM.

NEPETA. **Zz. Catmint. Rose prunings prevent a cats enjoyment. But not all catmints attract cats. They all have different aromas. Filler and edging plants.

Nepeta 'Blue Dragon'. New. Large flowers on a robust plant. 3ft. Sp. 3ft.

N. 'Maurice'. New. Really useful pretty white form. 18". Sp. 2ft.

N. racemosa 'Walkers Low'. Mauve-blue flowers spaced in spires. (5-9) Attracts insects and cats. Lovely edging plant and such a long flowering. 12-15". Sp 2ft

N. 'Toria'. Compact habit. Lavender blue flowers (4-10). H 10" Sp 2ft.

Omphalodes cappadocica. 'Starry Eyes'. New. Clusters of mauve and blue flowers (4-6) Sun or partial shade. 8". Grow with Primis, Pulmonarias, Tiarella, Narcissus Tete-a tete etc. AGM.

Origanum 'Hopley's'. Zz. Dark, arching wiry stems, mauve flowers. (7-10) 12".

Papaver rupifragum 'Flore Pleno'. Double tangerine tissue paper flowers, all summer, from rosettes formed the previous year. Can self seed. We grow with bronze fennel. 12".

Perovskia 'Blue Spire'. Late summer flowering, grey green foliage. H. 3-4ft. Sp. 3ft.

P. 'Little Spire'. Shorter than above.

P. 'Longin Ziegler'. New shorter variety. Grey fine foliage and spikes of tiny blue flowers. At it's best late summer. Well drained soil and sun. Trim back in spring. 3ft.

PERSICARIA. ** Zz. Easy to grow, not fussy about soil and provide welcome verticals. Good with grasses both in the garden and vase. Look wild but have no vices. Attractive to butterflies and bees. Generally slug and snail proof.

Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Alba'. Unassumingly beautiful. 4ft. Sp. 3ft. (6-10)

P. a. 'Fat Domino'. Fabulous fatter purple-red flowers. 5ft.

P. a. 'Orange Field'. New. Coral-orange flower spikes. 3-4ft.

P. a. 'Rosea'. . A favourite plant. Slim spires of biscuit and pink, lovely with pale blue Aconitum 'Spatlese' and Sedum 'Matrona'. 3-4ft. (Flowers June-frosts).

P. bis. subsp. carnea. Lipstick pink, sugar-dipped flowers. (5-6 & 8) 45cm. 9cm £4

P. 'Hohe Tatre'. Pink with a mauve cast, long flowering. 2ft. May-June 2ltr. £6.50

Phlomis tuberosum 'Amazone'. Lilac-pink flowers ring dark stems. (5-7) 4ft. Exceptional seed heads hold all winter. 1ltr £5

PHLOX. **Phlox paniculata are a must for a late summer colour and scent. Our selection of Phlox are scented, grow in sun or partial shade, best in rich soil which does not dry out.

P. m. 'Reine du Jour'. Sweetly scented, maroon-eyed, white flowers, (6-10) Compact and easy to grow in sun or shade. 2ft. Excellent plant. 1ltr £6

P. paniculata. Smaller mauve flowers. (7-9) 5ft. 2ltr £6.50

P. p. 'Blue Paradise'. Best colour in evening light or shade. (7-8) Support. 3-4ft.

P. p. 'Border Gem'. Came to us highly recommended-thanks Heather. Fabulous violet-purple flowers, green-purple flushed leaves. (7-9) H. 3ft. Sp. 3ft.

P. p. 'Cardinal'. Vibrant magenta-purple. Bleaches with age. 3ft.

P. p. 'David'. New. Large heads of white flowers, masses of scent. (6-9) 3ft.

P. p. 'Dusterlohe'. Rich magenta spicy flowers darker than Cardinal. (8-9) 3-4ft.

P. p. 'Monica Lynden-Bell'. Large pale pink and white flowers. (7-9) 30".

P. p. 'Rosa Pastell'. Lovely soft pink shade, scented and dark healthy foliage. 2-3ft.

P. p. 'Windsor'. Vibrant carmine rose with magenta eye. (7-9) 30". AGM.

Pimpinella major 'Rosea'. Tiny soft pink flowers in umbels, self sows. (6-7) 18".

Plantago major 'Rubra'. Red all over, seeds nicely in a gravel path or paving cracks. More buxom on rich soil. 10". Seed £2.

POLEMONIUM. **Zzz. Jacob's ladder. Good early summer flowering perennials for sun or partial shade. Can be divided to increase stock. Prefer a moisture retentive soil.

Polemonium 'Bressingham Purple'. Violet blue flowers with prominent yellow anthers, purple foliage. (6-7 & 9) Cut back for second flowering. Shelter from wind. 2ft.

P. 'Heaven Scent'. New. Purple spring foliage and blue flowers. 18".

P. 'Lambrook Mauve'. New. Masses of mauve flowers. (5-6) 15". Sp. 18".

P. 'Northern Lights'. Larger blue bells and long flowering. (6-9) 15-18".

P. 'Sonia's Bluebell'. Pale blue flowers held in dark calyces. 18".

POTENTILLA. These herbaceous potentillas make good long flowering filler plants, they can be supported to lift flowering stems and propagated by division. Sun.

P. 'Maynard's'. syn. **P. 'Majland'.** Orange flowers. (7-9) Trailing. Sun. 12" S. 2ft.

P. x hopwoodiana. Pale peach flowers with a deep pink centre. (7-10) Trailing habit. Combine with any shade of blue. We use icy blue violas, catmints, Geranium Blue Cloud and Campanula Blue Waterfall. 2ft lax flower stems stunning when well placed.

PRIMULA. **Prefer rich, moist soil, spring sunshine and partial shade in summer. Spring flowering and most varieties flower again in autumn.

Primula auricula 'Late Romantic'. Very new. Double peach flowers (5-6).

P. a. 'Osbourne Green'. Farina coated; white centre, purple ring and a green edge masses of scent. Rather quaint and vigorous enough for the garden. Good in pots too.

P. a. 'Shaun'. Very new. Golden yellow double flowers. (3-5).

P. 'Belarina Buttercup Yellow'. Very new. Jack-in-green flowers-this term is given to primulas when the flower is surrounded by a collar of leaves. Double. (2 or 3 -5 or 6).

- P. 'Belarina Nectarine'**. Very new. Jack-in-green. Double yellow suffused with pink and orange. (2 or 3-5or 6).
- P. 'Dark Rosaleen'**. Poly. Bronze foliage, crimson flowers (2-5) and autumn. 5".
- P. 'Dawn Ansell'**. Jack-in-green. Double white flowers. (4-7 and 9-11) Vigorous.
- P. denticulata**. Drum stick prim. Easy cottage favourite. Purple or pink pom-poms. 10".
- P. 'Francisca'**. Poly. Jack-in-green. Green flowers with pale yellow eyes. (3-11)
- P. 'Gold Lace'**. Burgundy edged with golden yellow, polyanthus type. 9cm.
- P. 'Guinevere'**. Bronze foliage, lilac-pink primrose flowers.
- P. 'Wanda'**. Strong growing, vibrant magenta flowers. Tough old variety. 4". AGM.

Rudbeckia fulgida 'Early Bird Gold'. Early flowering. Golden yellow daisies. (6-11) H.2ft.

R. laciniata. Yellow drooping petals around a green centre. We grow a good upright form. Very long flowering and good seed heads. Loved it last year with Heleniums. 5ft. 9cm. £4.60

R. subtomentosa. Lots of golden yellow smaller daisies. 32". 2ltr £6.50

SALVIA. **Zzz. All need sun, good drainage and flower for at least 2 months. Very attractive to bees. Two distinct groups; hardy and tender. The first listed are all hardy, but may need slug protection. Most varieties can be seen in our garden.

Salvia 'Dear Anja'. Excellent Oudolf selection. Mid blue, white lipped flowers on 3 ft spikes. (6-11) Lights up at dusk. Do not over crowd, superb once established. 9cm £4.60

S. nemorosa 'Amethyst'. Mauve flower spikes (6-10) 3ft. Sp 2ft. Support established plants, some of ours are on their 10th year. A well deserved AGM.

S. n. 'Caradonna'. Dark stems and dark violet flowers. (6-10) Compact. 18". Sp 15".

S. n. 'Ostfriesland'. (East Friesland) Purple-blue flowers. (6-9) 15-20". Sp 18". AGM..

S. pratensis 'Pink Delight'. Larger lavender pink flowers. (5-6) Dark early foliage. 18". 2ltr £6.50

S. p. 'Rhapsody in Blue'. Compact. Mid blue flowers (5-7) 15-20".

S. 'Serenade'. From Piet Oudolf, a rich mauve flower in a purple calyx on dark stems. Long flowering and robust, but can be late into growth. (5-11) 30". Sp. 24".

S. x s. 'Mainacht'. (May night) Early violet flowers. (5-7) 18"-2ft. AGM. 9cm £4.60

S. x s. 'Tanzerin'. (The Dancer) Upright spikes of mid blue fls. 3 ft. Sp. 18". AGM.

Tender savias: We grow this group in pots and give protection from frost and biting winds. Easy to grow from cuttings. All have aromatic foliage and flower summer and autumn. Enjoy sun and well drained soil or container. If planted in a sheltered position they come through most winters and need a spring pruning.

S. 'Royal Bumble'. Glowing red flowers. 2ft.

S. x jamensis 'Devantville'. New. Pinky-red.

S. x j. 'Dysons' Orangy Pink'. As named. 24".

SANGUISORBA. **Burnet. Wild looking, so suit our plantings. Sun or part shade. Any soil but suited to wet ground. Divisions. Autumn seed heads. Very easy.

Sanguisorba off. 'Red Thunder'. Ruby thimble flowers in late summer. (8-11) 4-5ft.

Santolina 'Edward Bowles'. Cotton Lavender. Soft yellow flowers over greyish foliage. Drought tolerant, looks good in gravel. Shape up after flowering. (7-8) 18-24".

Saxifraga 'Clarence Elliott'. Zzz. A neat evergreen plant. Clarence looks at home in our clay basket, also nice for nooks and crannies, pots and window boxes. Sun or shade. 4". Bare root. £4

Scabiosa 'Irish Perpetual Flowering'. Rare. Hardy. Long, long flowering. (4-10) Mauve flowers. Suits a pot or well drained soil. Cuttings or division. 12".

S. 'Vivid Violet'. Mauve flowers all summer easy and good for cutting. 12". Sun or part shade.

SEDUM. **Zzz. The flowers attract insects, have autumn seed heads and will grow in sun or some shade. Any soil or container and are also drought tolerant. We grow a nice range to give choice in habit and flower colour. All are so easy to grow.

S. 'Matrona'. Large leaves are flushed with maroon. Good two toned pink-plum flower heads. (7-9) 18-24". Winter shape. Possibly divide on third year. AGM.

S. 'Mr Goodbud'. Rich pink large flower heads. (8-10) Upright 18". AGM.

S. 'Ruby Glow'. Grey flushed pink prostrate foliage, ruby flowers. 4" Sp. 18". AGM.

S. rupestre 'Angelina'. A must have plant, well I love it! Pine like foliage, low and trailing. Golden-orange in sun, greener in shade and winter. Roots easily.

Selinum wallichianum. Slightly mounded, white flower heads, held on pink stems. (8-10). Could plant with Echinacea, Veronicastrum and grasses. 2-3ft. Can self sow.

SEMPERVIVUM. House leek. Names varieties to choose from with varying foliage. All are hardy, but will not stand to be water logged.

Seseli libanotis. Moon Carrot. Finely cut glossy green leaves. Pink flushed stems. White umbellifer flowers May to September. Green seed heads. Sun or p. shade. Self sows. 2½ft.

SIDALCEA. Mallow type flowers in shades of pink. Flower for longer if grown in a moist soil, enjoy wet summers! I don't.

Sidalcea 'Little Princess'. Mid-pink flowers on upright stems. (7-8) 2½ft.

S. 'My Love'. From Oudolf's nursery. Pale pink flowers for weeks. (7-9) 3-4ft.

Silphium perfoliatum. **Good form of Prairie cup plant. Sunny yellow daisies on tall sturdy stems. 6ft. Sp 4ft. Never needs staking and long flowering (7-10). AGM. Bare root. £6

Strobilanthes a. 'Blue Carpet'. Given space only 12", but will scramble into neighbours.

Tellima grandiflora 'Forest Frost'. **Green and silver foliage with increasing red as the temperature drops. Green and pink flowers. (4-6). Ground cover. 2ft. Cut flower.

T. g. Purpurteppich'. **Red winter foliage, scented tiny cream and pink flowers. 18".

THALICTRUM. **Give airy height to a planting. Delicate looking foliage which is good during the whole growing time. Sun or part shade. Grow well on rich moisture retentive soils, but are tolerant. Autumn and winter structure, cut back in late winter.

Thalictrum 'Black Stockings'. Sprays of fluffy lavender flowers (6-7). Shiny dark stems and bright green foliage. Sun, p. shade. 3-4ft.

T. delavayi. 'Hewitt's Double'. Late to emerge in spring. Attractive foliage produces a wonderful cloud of tiny double mauve flowers, like Gypsophila. (8-9) Gradually builds to a see through 5ft. A well deserved AGM.

T. 'Elin'. A towering robust 8 feet. Red spring foliage gives way to glaucous doily-like foliage. Thick strong surging flower stems, produce airy sprays of mauve and cream flowers. Good winter structure. No staking after the first year in our garden.

T. rochebruneanum. Airy cloud of mauve lantern flowers with yellow anthers. July-August. Glaucous attractive foliage. 5-6 ft.

T. 'Splendide'. This new introduction really had the wow factor last year, due to its large cloud of mauve flowers. (7-9). 4ft. We got asked for this plant more than any other!

Thermopsis villosa. Lemon lupin like flowers from blue-green calyces (3-5). Not invasive. Cut back in spring, avoiding new shoots. Nice summer foliage. 3ft.

Trifolium repens 'Wheatfen'. Zzz. Brown-maroon clover leaves on rooting stems. Pink flowers. Front of border, rockery or cascading from a container. Not too dry. 9".

T. r. 'William'. Zzz. Green and red foliage. Pink globular flowers. (5-8) 9".

T. rubens. 'Red Feather'. Zzz. Dark pink clover flowers. Seed heads. (7-8) 1½ft.

Verbascum blattaria albiflora. Can self seed rather a lot but worth the thinning out. Tall whippy spire of white pink eyed flowers all summer. Lovely with Verbena bonariensis. Made me smile more than any other plant last year and the year before. 4-5ft.

Verbena bonariensis. **Zzz. Tall airy branching ridged stems topped with many heads of mauve and purple flowers. Cut back hard in April if new shoots have grown at the crown or wait. Often looks dead in Winter! And often is! Therefore allow to self seed; to assist this avoid hoeing and mulching. We grow in gravel and only hand weed. AGM. 2ltr

V. bonariensis 'Lollipop'. New. Only 2 feet tall. 9cm @ £4.60

V. hastata. **Spikes of purple flowers on branching upright stems. Hardy. 4-5ft.

V. hastata 'Rosea'. Many small pink flowers from dark buds and stems. All self sow.

V. 'Seabrooks Lavender'. Low wide plant really good in wall planters, window boxes etc.

VERONICASTRUM. **Zzz. Whorls of leaves cloth sturdy stems, each variety is distinct all have tiny flowers in slim spires. Easy and no slug damage. Good autumn seed heads. If unsure take a look at them in our garden. "You can never have too many spires". Christopher Lloyd. How right he was. One of best group of plants we grow.

V. v. 'Diane'. Slim longer white spires. Slower to clump up. 4½ft. Sp. 2ft.

V. v. 'Erika'. Dark flower stems and a touch darker flowers than V. 'Roseum'. (8-9) Slim column. 4-5ft. Sp. 2ft. See catalogue cover.

V. v. 'Fascination'. Mauve spires from dark stems. Robust. (7-9) 6 ft. Sp 4ft.

V. v. 'Lavendelturm'. (Lavender tower) Pale lavender spikes. (7-9) Builds to 6-7ft.

V. v. 'Pink Glow'. Similar to 'Roseum'. 5ft.

VIOLA. **Long, long flowering late spring til autumn, mostly scented front of border perennials not to be confused with bedding violas and pansies. Easy to grow in moist soil in sun or partial shade. Suitable for containers. Lovely to pick and display in little glass vases. The smaller flowers are edible in salads or ice cubes. Tidy rather than cut back hard at any time. Some varieties can self seed. Low growing evergreen mats of foliage. More varieties on new Feb list.

V. c. 'Netta Stratham'. Silvery-grey mauve flowers. Makes a large strong clump.

V. 'Delicia'. Neat violetta. Dainty flowers pale yellow top petals suffused with mauve. Lovely potted on an outside table.

V. 'Helen Dillon'. Creamy white, edged with blue. Strongly scented large flowers.

V. 'Icy But Spicy'. Pale blue with black veining.

V. 'Inverurie Beauty'. Early large scented violet flowers on long stems. Sp 2ft. AGM.

V. 'Irish Molly'. Khaki and yellow with a dark centre, quite large scented flowers.

V. 'Mary Mouse'. Cornuta shape, bright little yellow, scented flowers. Trailing habit.

V. 'Nora'. Charming, neat round flowers, yellow centre edges flushed with pinkish-purple Scented. Lovely old fashioned plant. Nice in a china tureen but better in your soil.

V. 'Rebecca'. Creamy white scented flowers, splashed with lavender blue. Neat.

V. 'Victoria's Blush'. Pale pink scented cornuta flowers. Strong growing.

V. 'Winona Cawthorne'. Creamy yellow with blue flushed upper petals.

GRASSES

Grasses are an essential part of our garden. They can combine beautifully with flowering plants and foliage. Grasses add texture and form to a garden and most importantly movement in the slightest breeze. Indispensable during winter. Virtually all these ornamental grasses can be found well established in our Garden or nursery stock beds and this is a great aid when choosing. We are also happy to help and advise. We also recommend *The Colour Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses* written by Rick Darke.

Calamagrostis brachytricha. Diamond grass. So called because it sparkles when wet. In August and September it produces a succession of upright fox tail plumes, green soon turning purplish-pink-grey. Amazing after a heavy dew in September. See web pics. 4ft.

C. b. Korean collection. Fabulous new grass. More substantial flowers, foliage and vigour than the straight species. Pink tinted large flower plumes. Magical after rain.

C. x acutiflora 'Waldenbuch'. New. Upright habit. Purple narrow plumes open in June these age to tan. Gradually thinning to leave upright needles all winter. A feature for much of the year. 5-6 ft. Cut back to about 2" in March.

Elymus hispidus. Looks at it's best in hot dry summers. We have grown it in gravel with *Eryngium giganteum*. Steely blue blades and flowers. Can self seed lightly. Not invasive. Can be cut back in spring to 4". Height 18".

Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'. New. Evergreen grey fine foliage, blue flower spikes in summer. H and Sp. 12".

Hakonechloa macra. 'Aureola'. Yellow variegation appears as this beautiful grass unfurls in spring. Arching habit. Pink autumn tints. Dies back in winter. Slow to increase but worth some patience. Good choice for a pot or the garden. Height increases as the clump builds up. Cut back during winter or early spring. Sun or shade. 12". 9cm £5

Hordeum jubatum 'Early Pink' (Pink Twisted Barley grass) More upright than *H. jubatum* and whiskered seed heads turn pinky-purple as they ripen. 15". Flowers a month earlier than *H. jubatum* and much pinker. Self seeds, but not a nuisance has done so in the garden gravel path. Also grown in our gravel bed with sea holly, nepeta etc. 9cm £4.60

Melica ciliata. A low clump of foliage produces a succession of flowers (5-11) Good when dry. Arching habit. Might self seed. 18-24". S. 2ft. 9cm £4.60 Seed £2

M. uniflora 'Albida'. Lush green foliage topped and mingled with white beadlike flowers. Grown to great effect in the late Mrs Rakusen's woodland garden at Ling Beeches. Sun or shade. May self seed. Long flowering. For a pot or garden. 12". 9cm £4.60

MOLINIA. Purple Moor Grass. Native to moist places, including heaths, moors, bogs, fens, mountain grasslands and lake shores in the British Isles and elsewhere. So the perfect choice for our garden in the wet cloudy pennines. Foliage emerges in spring to form bold clumps. Flowers start their climb in June and are at their best July to October, turning brilliant straw-orange colour during Autumn. All grow well in average garden soil, in sun or partial shade. They can be grown with flowers to give a meadow effect or placed to make the most of a particular variety. Sway in the breeze. Can be dried.

Molinia caerulea subsp. arundinacea 'Cordoba'. New. Beautiful arching overall shape. Sways in the breeze. Good specimen plant. 5ft

Mol. c. a. 'Fontane'. The tall stiff flower stems arch over and produce dark flower panicles. These turn brown as age. 5-6ft.

Mol. c. a. 'Transparent'. True stock. Long, long distinct flower heads. Arching habit. Builds to 6- 8ft but slowly. Superb inspired circular planting at Scampston Walled Garden. Makes a good specimen grass surrounded by a low planting or lawn.

Mol. c. a. 'Windspiel'. (Wind play) The more substantial flower heads on this form catch the wind and sway giving welcomed movement in the garden. Grown as a hedge at the top of our garden. Superb in autumn. 8ft.

Shorter varieties;

Mol. caerulea caerulea 'Dauerstrahl'. (Translates 'faithful ray'). Dark turning brown inflorescence. Slightly arching habit. 2-3ft.

Mol. c. c. 'Heidebraut'. Or 'Heather Bride'. Upright straw coloured flowers. Orange autumn colour. 4-5ft. S. 2-3ft.

Mol. c. c. 'Moorflamme'. Slightly splayed flower stems, golden autumn colour. 3ft.

Mol. c. c. 'Moorhexe'. Or 'Moor witch'. Vertical stems

Mol. c. c. 'Overdam'. Upright. Fat green flowers. 3ft.

Mol. c. c. 'Poul Petersen'. Upright and slightly arching. Mass planted to great affect at Scampston Walled Garden. The first molinia to flower and so early autumn straw colour. 3ft.

Mol. c. c. 'Strahlenquelle'. Strongly arching –pendant inflorescence. Width 5ft.

Oryzopsis miliacea. Produces fresh green flowers for almost 12 months of the year, these are tiny beads held on whorls of spokes on arching stems creating a hazy waving pillow. Drought tolerant. 2ft.

PENNISSETUM. Fountain Grass. Our selection are hardy and flower reliably in our north facing garden all having very appealing flowers from August. Best grown in sun

P. macrourum. Long, slim, fawn flower heads. (7-12) Just hardy so plant in a sunny, well drained spot. Good to cut and arrange or will dry. Easy from seed. 4-5ft. 2ltr £7.50 Seed £2

P. orientale 'Karley Rose'. Pink fluffy flowers. Forms a dense arching clump. 3-4ft.

Setaria macrostachya. Annual. Red hairy flowers. Pot or border. 18". Seed £2

Sporobolus heterolepsis. Prairie dropseed. Slow to clump up but worth the wait. Any soil but will do better on rich moist ones. Producing a haze of scented delicate looking flowers (7-9) and bronze autumn foliage. Dies back in winter. Grown to perfection in Piet Oudolf's garden where the coriander scent fills the air. Must plant more of it, where though as we are already full up?

Stipa calamagrostis An arching mound of narrow leaves. Succession of arching feathery plumes which open green and gradually dry to buff. (6-10) 18".

S. gigantea. Golden oats grass. Flower stems emerge in May and by mid June it is stunning.

S. 'Gold Fontaene'. Larger more upright flower panicles and a smaller clump of foliage than the species, also produces more flowers, sooner. 6ft. See inside and out of back catalogue cover.

Stipa tenuissima. Fine wispy tactile foliage. Comb through in spring to remove dead material. Seedlings are welcome as plants need replacing after 2 or 3 years. 12". Sp. 15".

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