



2026
Genetics & Supply

Monarda
'Bumble Bee King' PPAF



Sporobolus 'Golden Needles' on the cover of Greenhouse Management magazine



Sporobolus 'Golden Needles' interplanted with Solidago 'Sugar Kisses' July in our trial gardens

Monarda 'Bumble Bee King' PPAF

A hybrid seedling of 'Midnight Oil', 'Bumble Bee King' has the same habit with a little more height. Both monardas are compact, only half the height of 'Jacob Cline'. A key feature is their genetics to clump rather than spread. After about three years, the plant will be a stand measuring about 30 inches in width. This makes both 'Bumble Bee King' and 'Midnight Oil' ideal plants for home gardens.

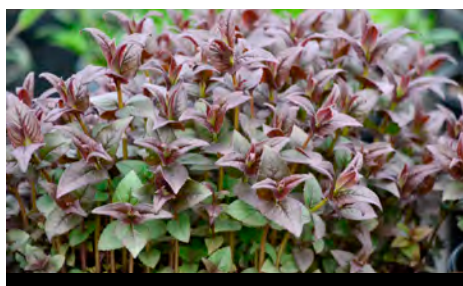
'Bumble Bee King' has the same dark leaves as 'Midnight Oil'. A crucial difference is the attractive lavender-pink blooms that top the plant in June, earlier than most purple shaded monardas on the market.

Another important feature is the strong resistance to powdery mildew. If given good air circulation, 'Bumble Bee King' sails through the summer without trouble. This makes the attractive bronze leaves an additional

retail sell—a stand of foliage is an appealing sight in the garden. Leaves have a slightly minty, herbal fragrance to them.

Although 'Bumble Bee King' has a bradburiana habit and presentation, both parents are native to North America.

Monarda is native throughout North America — USDA Natural Resources map



FOLIAGE A stand of bronze leaves

MONARDA'S common name is bee balm for a reason



Instagram post of Andropogon 'Blackhawks' in Poland



Rick Grazzini and Ko Klaver from Garden Choice



Two interns at Intrinsic received PPA scholarships in Des Moines



SNEAK PEEK
2026 NEW PLANT INTRODUCTIONS

Liatris 'Butterfly Magnet' appeared on the cover of Creek Hill's Sneak Peak program

News & New Plants

Intrinsic Introductions continues to expand the palette of naturalistic garden designers who champion grasses and perennials to create artistic landscapes that blend with local ecosystems and evolve with the season. By focusing on texture and form in flowing drifts, along with color, naturalistic designers build resilient, low-maintenance gardens that support local wildlife and blend seamlessly with local environments. These living pieces of art are actually functional ecosystems.

We strive to do our part to contribute to that movement. Much of our breeding is focused on the ornamental value of native plants in gardens, both public and private. Pollinator plants in particular seem to be on everyone's lips, and native plants fill this demand best. What better way to attract bees than to grow bee balm? It's a North American native herb widely found across the continent.

MONARDA 'BUMBLE BEE KING'

Probably our best monarda to date, this bee balm has the same small stature, clumping habit, and bronze foliage that make 'Midnight Oil' so interesting. 'Bumble Bee King' adds to the strong ornamental value with its two-toned crowns of lavender and purple.

ALLIUM 'BLUE MOON'

Late season flowers of this hybrid allium verge on sought-after blue. They're perfectly timed to fill the color gap leading into fall. A Garden Choice exclusive.

POLEMONIUM 'PRINCE'

A classic reptans variety in three acts: emerging foliage is deep wine purple, followed by iridescent blue flowers that ultimately develop into purple seedheads. In a dramatic twist, the seedheads rival the flowers for beauty. This is a Must Have Perennials exclusive.

SPOROBOLUS 'GOLDEN NEEDLES'

We were pleased to have Sporobolus 'Golden Needles' featured on the cover of the new perennial digest launched at AmericanHort's Cultivate show in Ohio.

S. 'Golden Needles' is part of a standout combination in our display/trial garden, interplanted with Solidago x 'Sugar Kisses'. The form, texture, and color contrast echoes throughout the season and reads fresh and modern. Our trial garden was expanded to include future introductions for 2027 and beyond.

TRIAL RESULTS

In other trial gardens, we are hearing good things about Pycnanthemum 'Smokey Mountain Mint' from a number of sites including Mount Cuba, Penn State, and University of Georgia.

PERENNIAL PLANT ASSOCIATION

For the second time an Intrinsic Introduction has been named PPA Plant of the Year. A. 'Blackhawks' received the recognition for 2026 and Rudbeckia 'American Gold Rush' in 2023.

12TH ANNUAL GRASS DAY

Our 12th annual Grass Day will take place on Friday, September 25th.

Bren Horvitz



P. 'PRINCE', dark purple as it emerges...



light blue in flower...

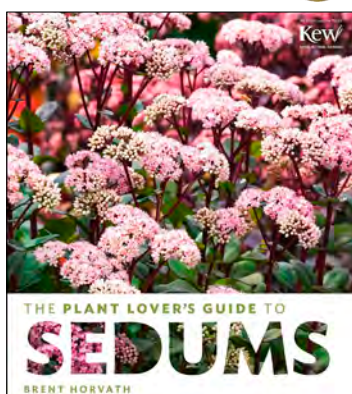


and purple calyxes post flowering



2026 Full Line of Breeding grasses in green shade

Winner
Garden Writers
Association Gold Award



Timber Press selected Brent Horvath to write the Sedums book in their popular series, "The Plant Lover's Guide."

The most popular flowering succulents, sedums range from groundcovers to large border perennials. They find themselves in green roof and vertical garden design because of their visual interest and drought tolerance.

Drawing from experience, Horvath profiles 150 of the best varieties with information on zones, plant size, soil and light needs, origin, and landscape use.

Sedums change dramatically with the seasons. In fall they are rich and earthy while in summer they flower in vibrant shades of pink and yellow.

Additional information includes designing, growing, propagating, sources, and public garden displays.

Published in 2014, the 232 page book is available on Amazon and at timberpress.com

Formal Names

N Allium

- *cernuum* 'Stars in Her Eyes'
- *schoenoprasum* 'Rising Star'
- x 'Big Beauty' PP#34,306
- x 'Blue Moon' PPAF
- x 'Chivette' PP#30,151
- x 'New Moon' PP#36,877
- x 'Windy City' PP#28,100

N Amsonia

- *tabernaemontana* 'Fontana'
- x 'Bases Loaded'
- x 'Grand Slam' PPAF
- x 'Halfway to Arkansas'

N Andropogon

- *gerardii* 'Blackhawks' PP#27,949
- *gerardii* 'Dancing Wind' PP#26,892
- *gerardii* 'Holy Smoke' PP#33,929
- *gerardii* 'Rain Dance' PP#26,284
- *gerardii* 'Red October' PP#26,283

N Aster

- *oblongifolium* 'Chicago'
- x 'Arrested Development'
- x 'Thunderdome' PPAF

N Bouteloua

- *curtipendula* 'Sunset Prairie'
- *gracilis* 'Honeycomb' PP#33,101

N Carex

- *pensylvanica* 'Straw Hat' PP#29,432

Delosperma

- x 'Mountain Dew' PP#31,543
- x 'Orange Crush' PP#30,806

Dianthus

- x 'Fuchsia Fire' PP#32,987

N Echinacea

- *purpurea* 'Showoff'
- *purpurea* 'White Showoff'

N Eryngium

- *yuccifolium* 'Prairie Moon'

N Eupatorium

- *perfoliatum* 'Blind Date' PP#35,173
- x 'Polished Brass'

Festuca

- x 'Cool as Ice' PP#27,651

N Geranium

- *maculatum* 'Huggy Bear' PP#36,258
- x 'Bluming'

Geum

- x 'Alabama Slammer' PP#23,750
- x 'Banana Daiquiri' PP#25,351
- x 'Champagne'
- x 'Cherry Bomb' PP#30,960
- x 'Citronge' PP#28,893
- x 'Cosmopolitan' PP#24,982
- x 'Mai Tai' PP#22,433
- x 'Sea Breeze' PP#26,437
- x 'Tequila Sunrise' PP#21,514
- x 'Top Shelf Margarita' PP#30,670

Hosta

- 'Hasta Mañana' PP#30,157

Leucanthemum

- *superbum* 'Daisy Duke' PP#21,914
- *superbum* 'Flower Power' PP#35,425

N Liatris

- *ligulistylis* 'Butterfly Magnet'
- *spicata* 'Trailblazer'

Intrinsic Introductions was born from businesses my parents built after they immigrated from Europe. My father chose the name "Intrinsic" because he felt garden plants should have intrinsic value to the garden.

Today, I breed the plants they would have grown.



Trudy Horvath



Lajos Horvath



Bred by Brent Horvath

Hebron, Illinois

Our plants are bred and selected in the tough conditions of the Midwest with hot humid summers and cold wet winters. Our goals are simple—improved, durable, ornamental garden plants for our own climate and the rest of the world!

Ligularia

- x 'Treasure Island'

Molinia

- *arundinacea* 'Dutch Dreamer'

N Monarda

- *bradburiana* 'Midnight Oil' PP#34,354
- 'Bumble Bee King' PPAF
- x 'Mojo' PP#29,982

N Panicum

- *virgatum* 'Dust in the Wind' PPAF
- *virgatum* 'Prairie Dog' PP#32,736

Pennisetum

- *alopecuroides* 'Ginger Love' PP#26,442
- *alopecuroides* 'Lemon Squeeze' PP#34,634
- *alopecuroides* 'Love and Rockets' PP#33,035
- *alopecuroides* 'Piglet' PP#19,074
- *alopecuroides* 'Pure Energy' PP#34,606
- *alopecuroides* 'Red Head' PP#28,715
- *alopecuroides* 'Red Rocket' PP#28,715
- *alopecuroides* 'Water to Wine' PP#35,189
- *alopecuroides* 'Yellow Ribbons' PP#31,362

N Penstemon

- *digitalis* 'Pinot Noir' PPAF
- *digitalis* 'Pocahontas' PP#24,804

N Phlox

- 'Mr. Blue Sky'

N Polemonium

- *reptans* 'Prince' PPAF
- *reptans* 'Soft Rain'
- x 'Heaven Scent' PP#20,214

Polygonatum

- *biflorum* 'Prince Charming' PP#22,304

Prunella

- x 'Magdalena' PP#31,876

N Pycnanthemum

- 'Smokey Mountain Mint' PP#37,175

N Rudbeckia

- x 'American Gold Rush' PP#28,498
- x 'Glitters Like Gold' PP#30,933
- x 'Green Eyed Lady' PP#36,640
- x 'Sweet as Honey' PP#34,972

Salvia

- *elegans* 'Golden Delicious' PP#17,977
- *nemorosa* 'Sixteen Candles' PP#33,133

Sanguisorba

- x 'Plum Drops' PP#36,497

N Schizachyrium

- *scoparium* 'Jazz'
- *scoparium* 'Little Red Fox' PP#36,738
- *scoparium* 'Sandhill' PP#36,359

N Scirpus

- *pendulus* 'Stars and Stripes' PP#37,140

Sedum

- *album* 'Nerds'
- (*Phedimus*) *ellacombianum* 'Cutting Edge' PP#28,926
- *sexangulare* 'Yellowstone' PP#33,174
- *spurium* 'Rock Candy' PP#34,767
- x Autumn Charm™ (aka 'Lajos') PP#14,421
- x Autumn Delight™ (aka 'Beka') PP#18,398
- x 'Lime Joy' PP#32,135
- x 'Pillow Talk' PP#28,528
- x 'Pure Joy' PP#24,194
- x 'Rock Star' PP#29,036
- x 'Sunset Boulevard' PP#32,697
- x 'Thundercloud' PP#21,833

Sesleria

- *albicans* 'Tiny Dancer'
- x 'Star Crossed' PPAF

N Solidago (AKA *Oligoneuron*)

- x 'Sugar Kisses' PP#34,747

N Sporobolus

- *heterolepis* 'Golden Needles' PPAF

Stachys

- x 'Summer Crush' PP#29,899
- x 'Summer Romance' PP#30,243

N Vernonia

- x 'Over My Head'
- x 'Southern Cross'

Veronica

- *incana* 'Pure Silver'
- x 'Seaside' PP#35,686
- x 'Spike' PP#27,814

N Veronicastrum

- *virginicum* 'Queen of Diamonds'

N native genera marked with icon



2026 Input Sources

Cultivar	URC	TC	Bare Root	International
<i>Allium</i> 'Big Beauty'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Allium</i> 'Blue Moon'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Allium</i> 'Chivette'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Allium</i> 'New Moon'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Allium</i> 'Windy City'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Amsonia</i> 'Bases Loaded'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Amsonia</i> 'Grand Slam'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Blackhawks'		All Plant (EU) Hidden Acres Microplant	Future Plants JAO Nursery	CNB
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Dancing Wind'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery	
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Holy Smoke'		Meridian Young Plants Microplant	Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery	CNB
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Red October'		All Plant (EU) Microplant Van Belle	Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery	CNB
<i>Aster</i> 'Thunderdome'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Bouteloua</i> 'Honeycomb'		Hidden Acres	Baker's Nursery	CNB
<i>Carex</i> 'Straw Hat'		All Plant (EU) Green Trade Meridian Young Plants		CNB
<i>Delosperma</i> 'Mountain Dew'	Darwin Perennials			Walter Blom Plants BV
<i>Delosperma</i> 'Orange Crush'	Darwin Perennials			Walter Blom Plants BV
<i>Eupatorium</i> 'Blind Date'	Quality Cuttings	All Plant (EU)		CNB
<i>Festuca</i> 'Cool As Ice'			Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery	CNB
<i>Geranium</i> 'Huggy Bear'		Meridian Young Plants Microplant		Plantipp
<i>Geum</i> 'Alabama Slammer'		Vitro Westland	Rijnbeek	CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Banana Daiquiri'		All Plant (EU) Green Trade Walter Blom Plants BV	Pioneer Gardens Rijnbeek	CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Cherry Bomb'		Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Citronge'		Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Cosmopolitan'		Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Mai Tai'		All Plant; Green Trade Vitro Westland Walter Blom Plants BV	Future Plants Pioneer Gardens	Future Plants
<i>Geum</i> 'Sea Breeze'		Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Tequila Sunrise'		Walter Blom Plants BV		CNB
<i>Geum</i> 'Top Shelf Margarita'		All Plant		
<i>Leucanthemum</i> 'Flower Power'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Monarda</i> 'Bumble Bee King'	Quality Cuttings			Plantipp
<i>Monarda</i> 'Midnight Oil'	Quality Cuttings			Plantipp
<i>Panicum</i> 'Dust in the Wind'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery	Plantipp
<i>Panicum</i> 'Prairie Dog'		Hidden Acres Microplant	Baker's Nursery	CNB

Licensed Propagators

UNITED STATES	Gertens	Monrovia	Samson Botanicals	Exemplar Horticulture	Future Plants (NL)
AG 3, Inc.	GET Group	New Moon Nursery	Stonehouse Nursery	Janus Gardens	Paul Nihot (NL)
Altman Plants	Greenbelt Growers	North Creek Nurseries	Swift Greenhouses	JRT Nursery	Plantipp
Art Form Nurseries	Greenleaf Nursery Co.	Nursery Stock Market	T&L Nursery	Maple Leaf Nurseries	Plant Network (AU)
Bailey Nurseries	Green Trade	Opel Growers	Twixwood Nursery	Norview Gardens	Rijnbeek (NL)
Blooming Nursery	Gulley Greenhouse	Pacific Crest	Walla Walla Nursery	Van Belle	Vitroflora (PL)
Briggs Nursery	Hidden Acres	Ornamentals	Walters Gardens	EUROPE & THE	Vitro Westland
Costa Heritage Products	Hoffman Nursery	Pineae Greenhouses	Willoway Nurseries, Inc.	WORLD	Walter Blom Plants (NL)
Creek Hill Nursery	Hortech	Pioneer Gardens	CANADA	All Plant (NL)	
Emerald Coast Growers	JAO Nursery	Plug Connection	Baker's Nursery	CNB (NL)	
Express Seed	Kurt Bluemel	Poplar Ridge Nursery	Bloomin' Easy Plants.	Compass Plants	
Garden Choice	Meridian Young Plants	Proven Winners	BNC Ornamentals	Danziger (Israel)	
Gardenworld	Midwest Groundcovers	Quality Cuttings			

Cultivar	URC	TC	Bare Root	International
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Ginger Love'			Baker's Nursery	CNB
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Lemon Squeeze'				
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Love and Rockets'			Baker's Nursery	Plantipp
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Piglet'				CNB
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Pure Energy'			Baker's Nursery	CNB
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Water to Wine'			Baker's Nursery	
<i>Penstemon</i> 'Pinot Noir'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Penstemon</i> 'Pocahontas'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Polemonium</i> 'Prince'		Paul Nihot Walter Blom Plants		Must Have Perennials
<i>Pycnanthemum</i> 'Smokey Mountain Mint'	Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings			Plantipp
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'American Gold Rush'	Danziger Express Seed Quality Cuttings	AG3; All Plant Express Seed Green Trade Microplant Vitroflora Vitro Westland		Danziger Future Plants
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Glitters Like Gold'	Quality Cuttings	AG3; All Plant (EU) Green Trade Meridian Young Plants Microplant		CNB
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Green Eyed Lady'	Quality Cuttings	All Plant (EU) Green Trade Microplant		CNB
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Sweet as Honey'		Microplant		
<i>Sanguisorba</i> 'Plum Drops'		All Plant (EU) Green Trade (US)	Future Plants	CNB Plant Network (AU)
<i>Schizachyrium</i> 'Little Red Fox'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery	Plantipp
<i>Schizachyrium</i> 'Sandhill'	Van Belle	Microplant Next Stage	Baker's Nursery	CNB
<i>Scirpus</i> 'Stars and Stripes'		All Plant Microplant Green Trade Vitroflora	Baker's Nursery	Plantipp
<i>Sedum</i> 'Cutting Edge'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Sedum</i> 'Pillow Talk'			Pioneer Gardens	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Rock Star'			Pioneer Gardens	CNB
<i>Sedum</i> 'Sunset Boulevard'		All Plant (EU)		Plant Network (AU)
<i>Sedum</i> 'Thundercloud'	Intrinsic Perennial Gardens		Compass Plants Pioneer Gardens	CNB Plant Network (AU)
<i>Sedum</i> 'Yellowstone'	Quality Cuttings			
<i>Sesleria</i> 'Star Crossed'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery	
<i>Solidago</i> 'Sugar Kisses'	Quality Cuttings			Future Plants
<i>Sporobolus</i> 'Golden Needles'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery	Plantipp
<i>Stachys</i> 'Summer Crush'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Stachys</i> 'Summer Romance'	Quality Cuttings	Meridian Young Plants Vitro Westland		CNB
<i>Veronica</i> 'Seaside'	Quality Cuttings			Plantipp

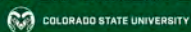


2026 Trial Program

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY 2025 Top Performer Perennials *Bouteloua gracilis* 'Honeycomb'

"Vigorous growth, nice seed head, great color, excellent habit, one of the best plants in our trials!"

2025 TOP PERFORMER PERENNIALS



'HONEYCOMB'
BLUE GRAMA GRASS
(*BOUTELOUA GRACILIS*)
Intrinsic Perennial Gardens



This ornamental blue grama grass can light up the landscape with its prolific, warm earthy-honey-yellow flower heads that gracefully dance above the foliage and catch the early morning and late afternoon sun. Great clump forming grass grows about 24" tall and makes a statement as a mass planting. This grass is tidy, compact, and drought tolerant. Also provides great winter interest opportunities in the landscape. A great alternative to 'Blonde Ambition' for cold hardiness and soils that might retain a bit more winter moisture.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE AT KNOXVILLE 2025 Best & Beautiful Report

Midway through the three-year trial, *Aster* 'Thunderdome' is reportedly the favorite aster in the garden for its compact size, good uniformity, and excellent flower coverage.

Geranium 'Huggy Bear' has beautiful large, dark palmate foliage.

Mounding plants are a great size with reliable uniformity and striking lavender flowers that contrast nicely.

Good winter hardiness.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Landscape Arboretum

We met with Mary H. Meyer, PhD in August to review the performance of Intrinsic grass introductions at the arboretum. *Sporobolus* 'Golden Needles' is growing well, holding its golden yellow color for a long time.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
Mary H. Meyer (l) and Lisa Hilgenberg (r)

MOUNT CUBA

They're busy with a new trial of big and little bluestems including the Intrinsic Introductions andropogon/schizachyrium varieties. *Andropogon* 'Blackhawks' has caught the eye of many visitors and gardeners with its strong upright habit. Dark red and purple-toned foliage provides an additional layer of interest.

Pycnanthemum 'Smokey Mountain Mint' is reported as having a great mounding habit and oversized flower heads that the garden staff—and pollinators—love. Iridescent deep purple foliage is a welcome bonus.



MOUNT CUBA
Cooper House plantings

From SEED to SALE

Growing Our Heritage Forward

Brent maintains and refreshes seed for several hundred native midwestern grasses and perennials as the foundation of his breeding. Valuable traits of resistance, habit, and color are bred into cultivars selected for their appeal to modern gardeners.

MICHIGAN STATE University Gardens

MSU is new to trialing Intrinsic's ornamental grasses with pleasing results. **Panicum 'Prairie Dog'** was graded 5.0 (on a scale of 1.0 to 5.0) for very tight upright growth and good color. It was also one of the Featured Five—the top five favorites from this year's trials as chosen by MSU Extension. **Pennisetum 'Water to Wine'** received the highest grade at 5.0.

CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

P. **'Smokey Mountain Mint'** looks great on the grounds. You can see R. **'Green Eyed Lady'** and a new sesleria, **'Star Crossed'**.



Richard Hawke of CBG in over his head with Vernonia 'Over My Head' on Instagram



PENN STATE Extension Center STRONG 2025 RATINGS

Penstemon 'Pinot Noir' receives 5.0 out of 5.0. for uniformity, foliage and overall growth, a Best of Show and Best of Species designation.

Pycnanthemum 'Smokey Mountain Mint' continues to be highly scored at 4.96 out of 5.0, Director's Select and Best of Species. Newcomer **Sporobolus 'Golden Needles'** scores 4.91 and Director's Select.

Must Have Perennials branded plants in the Penn State trials include:

Pennisetum 'Water to Wine' that earned 5.0, Best of Show and Best of Species in 2025.

Polemonium 'Prince' garnered a Director's Select and Best of Species at 4.78.

For its first trial year Garden Choice branded **Veronica 'Seaside'** is now a Bloomin' Easy exclusive while **Alliums 'Chivette'** and **'New Moon'** are Garden Choice.

DENVER BOTANIC GARDENS Plant Select

At 5000-foot elevation sites Plant Select seeks out durable, resilient, unique, and vibrant plants for Western gardens and beyond. Intrinsic's rudbeckia introductions are faring extremely well in habit, bloom and foliage color, and characteristics in the intermountain region to the high planes.

IOWA Arboretum

Aster (Symphyotrichum) 'Thunderdome' is a top trial performer. Comments include:

- “Excellent consistency.”
- “Flowers are very showy.”
- “Buzzing with bees.”
- “Beautiful!”
- “Great plant, full and sturdy.”



IOWA ARBORETUM aerial photo of main entrance



Intrinsic trial garden in July
S. **'Sandhill'** (back row)
R. **'Sweet as Honey'** (right)
R. **'Green-Eyed Lady'** (left)



ALLIUM 'CHIVETTE':

A dwarf chive (edible)
with a charming flower.

Allium 'Big Beauty' PP#34,306 zone 4-8

\$0.20 royalty
2021 introduction
Ornamental Onion

Extra wide gray-green foliage stands out early in the season on this robustly growing *allium*. In July silvered pink buds open to soft pink, two and a half-inch flower balls. Similar in color to 'Summer Beauty' this plant grows a bit taller to around 24 inches. Full sun, most any soil but wet.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Pioneer Gardens, Twixwood

Allium 'Blue Moon' PPAF zone 4-9

exclusive license
2026 introduction
Ornamental Onion

Allium x 'Blue Moon' has rich lavender-purple flowers late in the season that verge on blue at times. Flowers are fully two-inch balls on slightly arching 18-inch stems above gray-green foliage. Plants bloom at just the right time to fill in the late summer gap leading to fall. They prefer full sun and well drained soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens



GardenChoice™
Exclusive License

Allium 'Chivette' PP#30,151 zone 4-8

exclusive license
2017 introduction
Ornamental Onion

A mostly sterile chive with edible kelly green foliage. Initially upright but then more relaxed, blades reach 12 to 15 or more inches long. Lavender purple flowers with a purple stripe down the middle of the petal are also edible, held stems 12-inches or more. Beginning as round buds the flowers open to one inch wide. Full sun is preferred. Vigorous and easy to grow; average to dry soil.

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens

GardenChoice™
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Allium 'New Moon' PP#36,877 zone 4-8

exclusive license
2023 introduction
Ornamental Onion

This new ornamental onion is a heavy bloomer. Blue-green foliage is 3/8" wide. Lavender colored flowers appear on uniform plants from mid-to-late summer atop 12 to 15-inch stems. Full sun, and well-drained to dry soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens

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Allium 'Rising Star' *schoenoprasum* zone 4-8

no royalty
2010 introduction
Dwarf Pink Chive

Extra dwarf pink chives, reaching only 10 to 12 inches tall and wide, bloom in May. Fine gray-green grassy foliage looks nice all season long. Easy to grow. Plants prefer full sun and average to well-drained soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Allium 'Stars in Her Eyes' *cernuum* zone 2-8

no royalty
2025 introduction
Nodding Onion

White nodding onions—because when Roy notices something you pay attention. This form was selected in our office gravel garden and has green ovaries next to white petals. Foliage is thinner compared to 'Falling Stars', more typical of the species. This one is vegetatively propagated. Just as adaptable as the species, it's very nice in the garden with virtually anything, especially natives.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Allium 'Windy City' PP#28,100 zone 4-8

\$0.20 royalty
2015 introduction
Ornamental Onion

Dark green glossy foliage reaches 15 inches tall and wide. Dark rose-purple flower clusters begin to color in June and open in July on 18 to 20-inch stems. Full sun is best. Average, well-drained to dry soil. Very drought tolerant.

■ Available from AG3, Art Form Nurseries, Bailey Nurseries, Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Gardenworld, Gertens, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Pioneer Gardens, Twixwood

Amsonia 'Bases Loaded' zone 4-9

no royalty
2020 introduction
Baseball™ Bluestar

Intermediate, halfway-type foliage emerges dark green. These hybrid plants are heavy blooming. The blue flower clusters are darker than most bluestars and larger, too. They begin to open at the end of May on 18 to 24-inch stems. A reserved growth spurt to 30 inches plus occurs after the flowers fade, keeping the plant wider than it is tall. Full sun; average soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings



ALLIUM 'BIG BEAUTY'
taller than most



ALLIUM 'BLUE MOON'
two-inch blossoms in late summer



ALLIUM 'CHIVETTE' an edible
chive with nearly sterile flowers



ALLIUM 'NEW MOON'
blooms very heavily



ALLIUM 'RISING STAR'
an extra dwarf pink chive



ALLIUM 'STARS IN HER EYES'
white nodding onions



ALLIUM 'WINDY CITY'
a deep color



AMSONIA 'BASES LOADED'
bred for heavy blooming



AMSONIA 'GRAND SLAM':

A hybrid that blends the best features of the species.



Amsonia
'Fontana'
tabernaemontana
zone 3-9
no royalty
2015 introduction
Bluestar

This red stemmed selection has slightly darker blue flower clusters at the end of May into June on 36-inch plus plants. In August the red seedheads are showy, too. Full sun to light shade. Well-drained to dry soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Amsonia
'Grand Slam'
PPAF
zone 4-9
\$0.18 royalty
2026 introduction
Bluestar

For the best attributes of amsonia, look no further—they're here in *Amsonia* x 'Grand Slam'. Intermediate foliage grows in a reserved habit, and heavy blooming plants have bluer flowers on dark purpled stems. Blooms begin in mid-to-late May on 18-24 inch stems that lengthen to 36-42 inches after flowering. Plants grow 36-42 inches wide; they thrive in full sun and most any soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings



Amsonia
'Arkansas'
PPAF
zone 4-9
no royalty
2005 introduction
Bluestar

Glossy deep green foliage is uniformly needle-like. Pale blue flower clusters bloom in May. Rounded mounds top out just over 48 inches tall and wide. Yellow fall color comes a bit later than the other *amsonias*. Try it with *Pennisetum* 'Red Head' and *Penstemon* 'Husker Red' and 'Pocahontas'. Full sun to light shade in well-drained to moist soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, GET group, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Andropogon
'Blackhawks'
PP#27,949,
EUPBR#53,060
gerardii
zone 3-8
\$0.25 royalty
2016 introduction
Big Bluestem

Darker green foliage takes on a deep purple background in midsummer, intensifying to dark purple and near black in some parts of the plant. Upright five foot tall plus plants stand out in the landscape, especially with other tall grasses. Full sun; average soil.

■ Available from All Plant, Art Form, Baker's Nursery, Briggs Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar, Gertens, GET Group, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Hidden Acres, Hoffman Nursery, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Midwest Groundcovers, Monrovia Growers, New Moon Nursery, North Creek Nurseries, Norview Gardens, Opel Growers, Pineae Greenhouses, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Samson Botanicals, Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood, Walla Walla Nursery, Walters Gardens



Andropogon
'Dancing Wind'
PP#26,892
gerardii
zone 3-8
\$0.25 royalty
2014 introduction
Big Bluestem

Selected for its late summer bicolor shades of green and red that deepen to dark red in September and scarlet after frost. Heavily blooming plants begin in August with the entire plant mostly red by the end of September. Grows to six feet tall and almost two feet wide. Full sun is best, and any soil but wet.

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Microplant, Norview Gardens

Andropogon
'Holy Smoke'
PP#33,929
gerardii
zone 3-8
\$0.25 royalty
2021 introduction
Big Bluestem

Silvered foliage has highlights nearly all season long, from May until October. A blend of smokey purple and red adds dimension over the silvered leaves. Substantial plants reach six to seven feet tall. Full sun and most any soil.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Gardenworld, Hidden Acres, Hoerr Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, JRT, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Norview Gardens, Opel Growers

Andropogon
'Rain Dance'
PP#26,284
gerardii
zone 3-8
exclusive license
2014 introduction
Big Bluestem

Foliage on this hardy big bluestem is red-tipped and deeper green than the species. Twenty-inch plants turn totally maroon in autumn, finishing with red seedheads.

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers





AMSONIA 'FONTANA'
has red seedheads



AMSONIA 'GRAND SLAM'
large number of blooms on purple stems



AMSONIA 'HALFWAY TO ARKANSAS'
hybrid vigor on large plants



ANDROPOGON 'BLACKHAWKS'
the darkest one



ANDROPOGON 'DANCING WIND'
finer foliage



ANDROPOGON 'HOLY SMOKE'
silvered with reds and purples



ANDROPOGON 'RAIN DANCE'
dark green with maroon fall color



ASTER 'CHICAGO':

Fragrant aster also native to the Midwest.



Andropogon **'Red October'**

PP#26,283

gerardii

zone 3-8

\$0.25 royalty

2013 introduction

Big Bluestem

Award Winner

Our second vegetative form of big bluestem is hard to beat for its fall color. Initially selected for its finer foliage, it has a nice upright habit to six feet. Leaves emerge deep green and typically have some red tips starting in spring. In August the red highlights increase and deepen to a rich burgundy red. After the first frost, usually in October, the foliage turns a more scarlet red, taking on a striking appearance. Red flowers begin in August. Full sun is best for the red foliage color. Well-drained soil. John Greenlee called this "the New Rubrum."

■ Available from All Plant, Art Form, Baker's Nursery, Bloomin' Easy Plants, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar, Gertens, GET Group, Hoffman Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Microplant, Midwest Groundcovers, North Creek Nurseries, Norview Gardens, Walla Walla Nursery

Aster **'Arrested Development'**

zone 3-8

no royalty

2022 introduction

Bushy plants grow 12-15 inches tall in maturity. Deep lavender-blue flowers begin in mid-September over grayed green foliage.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Aster **'Chicago'**

oblongifolium

zone 3-8

no royalty

2023 introduction

Aromatic Aster

Substantial plants bloom from late summer to early fall with lavender-blue flowers and a mounding habit, growing 30 to 36 inches tall and wide. Fragrant foliage keeps deer and rabbits from browsing. Full sun, average to well-drained or dry soil. My kind of town aster.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Aster **'Thunderdome'**

PPAF

zone 3-8

\$0.15 royalty

2023 introduction

This hybrid has the purple flower of New England aster and the fragrant foliage and bushy substantial habit of aromatic aster. Large plants in the garden grow three to four feet tall and five to seven feet wide. A new color break in this type of aster. Full sun and average to dry soil.

■ Available from Creek Hill Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, New Moon Nursery, Quality Cuttings

Bouteloua **'Honeycomb'**

PP#33,101

gracilis

zone 4-9

\$0.15 royalty

2020 introduction

Blue Grama

Hardy and adaptable plants with good vigor have a similar size and stature compared to 'Blonde Ambition'. Upright wire-like stems stand 30 inches plus, and begin blooming with eyelash-like flowers, holding yellow pollen, in June. The tan color lightens with age, holding on for a long time and into winter. Full sun; average to well-drained soil.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Greenbelt Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Bouteloua **'Sunset Prairie'**

curtipendula

zone 4-9

no royalty

2024 introduction

Side Oat Grama

'Sunset Prairie' has strong blue-green basal tufts with upright wire-like stems. Flowers appear reddish in late summer and with cool nights the 30-inch plus stems take on a blend of red and purple. Native. Average to dry soils in full sun. Propagation division in winter or spring; production pot in June or July.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Carex **'Straw Hat'**

PP#29,432

pennsylvanica

zone 3-9

\$0.15 royalty

2016 introduction

Pennsylvania Sedge,

Common Oak Sedge

This rhizomatous and vegetative form of Penn sedge has a vigorous habit. It also has more substantial flower clusters than the species with reliable heavy spring bloom in April-May. It makes a good groundcover for dry shade. I have it planted with *Polemonium* x 'Heaven Scent'. Tolerates full sun with irrigation but part shade is best. The bright green foliage reaches only five to six inches.

■ Available from AG3, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Hidden Acres, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Samson Botanicals, Twixwood



ANDROPOGON 'RED OCTOBER'
six feet and scarlet red in the fall



ASTER 'ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT'
extra short plants



ASTER 'CHICAGO'
large lavender-blue flowers



ASTER 'THUNDERDOME'
deep color on large plants



BOUTELOUA 'HONEYCOMB'
large vigorous plants



BOUTELOUA 'SUNSET PRAIRIE'
red tints turn purple in fall



CAREX 'STRAW HAT'
showier flowers in April and May



DELOSPERMA 'ORANGE CRUSH':

Nearly covered in blooms in spring; reblooms periodically through summer.

Delosperma **'Mountain Dew'** PP#31,543 zone 5-9

exclusive license
2019 introduction
Ice Plant

This is a clear yellow sport of 'Orange Crush'. Nearly ground-hugging, succulent fingered foliage requires sharp drainage especially in winter. Peak bloom of the yellow and white centered one-inch flowers begins in April-May and continues into June. Full sun is best.

■ Available from Darwin Perennials, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Swift Greenhouses, Walter Blom Plants BV



Exclusive License

Delosperma **'Orange Crush'** PP#30,806 zone 5-9

exclusive license
2018 introduction
Ice Plant

This orange sport of 'Fire Spinner' has a softness about it and slightly pink bases to the petals. Low growing and spreading plants have fingered succulent foliage nearly covered with flowers from April-May into June. They prefer well-drained to dry soil and full sun is best.

■ Available from Darwin Perennials, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Swift Greenhouses, Walter Blom Plants BV



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Dianthus **'Fuchsia Fire'** PP#32,987 zone 3-9

\$0.15 royalty
2020 introduction
Pinks

This hybrid with 'Firewitch' has nearly the same color but the stems are half the size. Reaching five to six inches tall, the fragrant flowers begin in June with some re-bloom sporadically throughout the season. Flowers rise above a silver-blue mat of extra clean needle-like foliage. Bred by Jake Letmanski. A portion of the royalty will go to Jake to help pay for his college tuition. Full sun; well drained soil.

■ Available from Art Form Nurseries, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Echinacea **'Showoff'**

purpurea
zone 3-8
no royalty
2010 introduction
Purple Coneflower

Selected for the extra wide, long drooping pink petals and extra showy orange cones, this seed strain stands out at a distance, especially when compared to the new upright petaled forms. Full sun and well-drained soil. Long blooming.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Echinacea **'White Showoff'**

purpurea
zone 3-8
no royalty
2016 introduction
White Coneflower

After years of observing the pink form and pulling out the best whites, we are able to offer a white strain of 'Showoff'. Bright honey-colored cones are surrounded by hanging white petals on vigorous three-foot plus plants. Great for a naturalistic planting. Full sun; well drained soil. Long blooming.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Eryngium **'Prairie Moon'** *yuccifolium* zone 5-9

no royalty
2013 introduction
Rattlesnake Master

This uniformly short seed strain was selected for its shorter statured three-foot plus stems compared to the species which grows to five feet and tends to flop. The foliage is also thinner and bluer. White flowers begin in June or July. In fall the seedheads turn brown and hold on into winter. Plant in full sun, dry to well-drained soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Eupatorium **'Blind Date'** PP#35,173 *perfoliatum* zone 4-8

\$0.15 royalty
2022 introduction
Boneset

This native wetland species tolerates average soil. Chocolate-red foliage is topped with milky white flowers on three-foot stems in July. Full sun; moist to average soil. Combines easily with other varieties.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, De Vroomen, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Eupatorium **'Polished Brass'** zone 4-8

no royalty
2020 introduction
Boneset

The hybrid vigor is hard to miss on these robust plants. In spring the foliage emerges chocolate-red, a trait that comes from the seed parent, *Eupatorium perfoliatum* 'Milk and Cookies'. The differences are glossy leaves and the whole plant is larger, growing four feet plus on sturdy stems. If you want pollinators and butterflies, this is your plant! From August into September the plant is a magnet. It would be nice with *vernonia* selections. Plant and enjoy. Full sun; any soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood



DELOSPERMA 'MOUNTAIN DEW'
bright and cheerful



DELOSPERMA 'ORANGE CRUSH'
soft orange with pink bases



DIANTHUS 'FUCHSIA FIRE'
mats of silver foliage



ECHINACEA 'SHOWOFF'
extra long and wide petals



ECHINACEA 'WHITE SHOWOFF'
honey-colored cones



ERYNGIUM 'PRAIRIE MOON'
shorter than the species



EUPATORIUM 'BLIND DATE'
creamy white flowers above dark foliage



EUPATORIUM 'POLISHED BRASS'
attractive to pollinators



GERANIUM 'HUGGY BEAR':

Large chocolate leaves are complemented by light pink flowers in spring.



Festuca
'Cool as Ice'
PP#27,651,
EUPBRA
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2015 introduction
Cool Blue Fescue

This one was selected for its lighter green spring emergence giving the plant a slight bicolor look and better heat tolerance. Vigorous plants turn blue in summer. Flower stems grow 18 inches with foliage reaching 24 inches wide. Full sun to light shade; well drained soil is best.

■ Available from Altman Plants, Art Form, Baker's Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar, GET Group, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, JRT, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Opel Growers, Pioneer, Plug Connection, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood, Walla Walla Nursery

Geranium
'Bluming'
zone 4-8
no royalty
2025 introduction
Cranesbill

Plants have dissected medium green foliage and an open clump form. Sprawling stems elongate after the flowers begin in early June. A large geranium, 'Bluming' eventually grows to over two feet tall/wide. Profuse periwinkle blue flowers are held on strong stems, hovering above the plant, with bright purple venation and mocha starry centers that set them apart. Foliage can have some nice fall color—we grow it trailing through rose bushes. Full sun and average to dry soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Geranium
'Huggy Bear'
PP#36,258
maculatum
zone 5-8
\$0.20 royalty
2023 introduction
Cranesbill

Chocolatey red foliage is larger in size than the species, growing five to six inches wide. Clear pink flowers bloom in May on 15–18 inch stems. This form also has better disease resistance to foliar spotting. Full sun to part shade; average soil.

■ Available from Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, New Moon Nursery, Twixwood

Geum
'Alabama Slammer'
PP#23,750
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2011 introduction
Garden Gems

Hairy mounds of foliage grow eight to ten inches tall and over one inch wide. In May, burgundy stems to 18 inches plus bloom with multi-colored deep orange flowers edged and highlighted with red. Mostly semi-double one and a half inch flowers. Full sun; moist, drained soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, T&L, Vitro Westland, Walter Blom Plants BV

Geum
'Banana Daiquiri'
PP#25,351
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2012 introduction
Garden Gems

Clear lemon yellow semi-double flowers on floriferous plants start blooming at the end of April on 18-inch plus stems and continue through May. Semievergreen foliage reaches 10 inches tall by 12–15 inches wide. Best in full sun with rich, moist to average soil.

■ Available from All Plant, Blooming Nursery, GET Group, Green Trade Horticulture, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Rijnbeek, Vitro Westland, Walter Blom Plants BV

Geum
'Champagne'
zone 4-8
no royalty
2015 introduction
Garden Gems

Creamy white, nodding to side-facing flowers bloom on substantial plants reaching 24 inches tall and wide, sometimes taller. Rich moist soil is best.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Geum
'Cherry Bomb'
PP#30,960
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2018 introduction
Garden Gems

Semi-double, sterile flowers between grenadine and vermillion red fade to cherry pink. Blooms are held on maroon stems reaching up to 15 inches tall. Nice fuzzy green foliage forms mounds about ten inches tall and 12–15 inches wide. Rich moist soil in sun is best.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Pioneer Gardens, Vitro Westland



FESTUCA 'COOL AS ICE'
hardier and more drought resistant



GERANIUM 'BLUMING'
bright purple venation and starry centers



GERANIUM 'HUGGY BEAR'
lavender flowers on chocolate foliage



GEUM 'ALABAMA SLAMMER'
orange and red bicolor



GEUM 'BANANA DAIQUIRI'
soft yellow



GEUM 'CHAMPAGNE'
like bubbles in the garden



GEUM 'CHERRY BOMB'
infertile with double petals



GEUM 'MAI TAI':

Double blooms work as miniature cut flowers, too.

Creamy orange flowers emerge in May from red buds on 18-inch red stems. Wide folded petals overlap giving a nice full effect. Heavily blooming plants have some re-bloom, too. Full sun; moist rich soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Vitro Westland

Geum
'Citronge'
PP#28,893
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2015 introduction
Garden Gems

Geum
'Cosmopolitan'
PP#24,982
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2012 introduction
Garden Gems

Geum
'Mai Tai'
PP#22,433,
EUPBR#35,820
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2010 introduction
Garden Gems

Geum
'Sea Breeze'
PP#26,437
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2013 introduction
Garden Gems

Geum
'Tequila Sunrise'
PP#21,514
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2009 introduction
Garden Gems

Geum
'Top Shelf Margarita'
PP#30,670
zone 4-8
\$0.20 royalty
2018 introduction
Garden Gems

Hosta
'Hasta Mañana'
PP#30,157
zone 3-9
\$0.20 royalty
2017 introduction

Leucanthemum
'Daisy Duke'
PP#21,914
superbum
zone 3-8
exclusive license of
Daisy May® Shasta Daisy
2010 introduction

Creamy petals flushed and edged with a rosy pink on semi-double flowers look like miniature roses. Blooms appear on 18-inch burgundy stems in May. Semi evergreen foliage forms ten by 12-15 inch clumps. Moist rich soil is ideal, but average soil is suitable. Full sun.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Vitro Westland

Heavy blooming, vigorous plants have single to semi-double blooms of vermillion red fading to peachy-pink in May. Clumping mounds reach just over one inch wide, topped by 18-inch burgundy stems. Full sun; moist to average soil.

■ Available from All Plant, Blooming Nursery, GET Group, Green Trade Horticulture, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Pioneer Gardens, Rijnbeek, T&L, Vitro Westland, Walter Blom Plants BV

This robust grower has larger hairy foliage than most Geums. Orange flowers can verge on the red side after cold nights and measure two inches wide. The unique flowers have folded wavy petals like they're blowing in the breeze, and are held on red 18-inch plus stems. Full sun; rich moist soil. Nice with *salvias*.

■ Available from Pioneer Gardens, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, T&L, Vitro Westland

The second in our Cocktail series. Cool off your spring with a refreshing 'Tequila Sunrise'. Lemony yellow single and semi-double flowers drip with a touch of grenadine rose red on the end of the burgundy red stems. One-inch clumps with the flower stems reaching 15-18 inches start blooming in May and go into June. Full sun with moist soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, GET Group, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Walter Blom Plants BV

This clear, bright yellow is nearly semi-double and stands out against the deep green foliage. Habit is upright with red stems reaching 15-18 inches tall. Plants make a great presentation in pots and at retail. Reliable re-bloom on almost half of the plants is an exciting addition to this genus after ten years of breeding.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Monrovia, Pioneer Gardens

A combination of two of the best *hostas*. This sport likely came from 'Francee' and nearly mimics another one of its great relatives, 'Gold Standard'. Lightly puckered veined leaves emerge near apple green and quickly begin to fade to gold at the tips, eventually becoming entirely gold except for the mostly thin white edge, although sometimes a deep green streak appears. Green new foliage continues to emerge, giving the whole plant a wave of green-to-gold colors highlighted by the edges! Part sun to shade; rich soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Extremely uniform plants have a tight perky habit with star quality. Growing to two feet tall with a dome-shaped habit, the foliage is deep green with flat three-inch daisies. A top selling Proven Winners perennial for a decade. Full sun; well drained soil. Nice with yellow daylilies.

■ Available from Four Star, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pleasant View, Walters Gardens

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GEUM 'CITRONGE'
creamy orange



GEUM 'COSMOPOLITAN'
blooms resemble little roses



GEUM 'MAI TAI'
our most popular



GEUM 'SEA BREEZE'
larger, wavy orange flowers



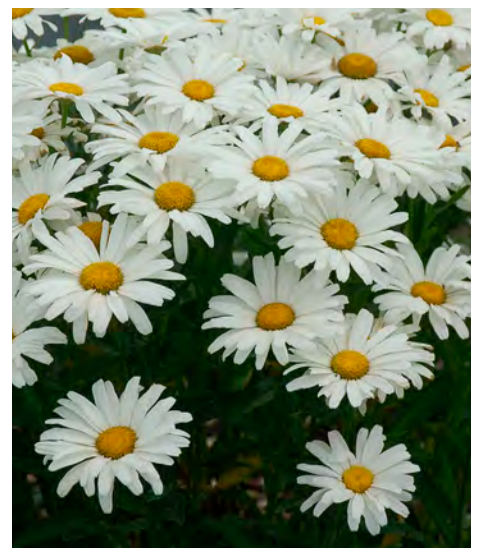
GEUM 'TEQUILA SUNRISE'
bicolor yellow and grenadine



GEUM 'TOP SHELF MARGARITA'
exceptional foliage, too



HOSTA 'HASTA MANANA'
turns gold early



LEUCANTHEMUM 'DAISY DUKE'
a best-seller for Proven Winners



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Leucanthemum
'Flower Power'
PP#35,425
superbum
zone 3-8
exclusive license
2022 introduction
Shasta Daisy

MONARDA 'BUMBLE BEE KING':
Bee balm is the common name
for a reason.

Think hardy mum but in a Shasta daisy. 'Flower Power' has much to offer the landscape and container world. In trials this plant has shown excellent performance with an over abundance of 2-3" white with yellow flowers on strong, sturdy stems. Reaches 18-24" in height and 24-32" wide.

■ Available from Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings

Liatris
'Butterfly Magnet'
ligulistylis
zone 3-9
no royalty
2018 introduction
Meadow Blazing Star

This seed strain is selected for a more reserved four-foot size compared to the five to six-foot tall species. Extra attractive to male monarchs, these plants have a pheromone that attracts the butterflies like a magnet once the flowers begin blooming in July.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Liatris
'Trailblazer'
spicata
zone 3-9
no royalty
2015 introduction
Blazing Star / Gayfeather

Originally selected for some red tips to the foliage, this tetraploid form of *Liatris spicata* only reaches 24 inches plus tall and 15-18 inches wide. Thick purple flowers in summer turn black as they go to seed. Extra showy and compact compared to the species. An improvement on 'Kobold'. Full sun; most any soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Ligularia
'Treasure Island'
zone 4-9
no royalty
2022 introduction
Bigleaf Golden Ray

After many years of observation this hybrid stands out to us. Matte green foliage with new leaves emerging lighter green and deepening with age gives the substantial plants more depth. Hybrid vigor, and rhubarb red stems hold clustered gold flowers on four-inch stems in July. Part shade with rich moist soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Molinia
'Dutch Dreamer'
arundinacea
zone 4-7
no royalty
2018 introduction
Tall Moor Grass

A warm season clump-forming grass, this tall moor grass provides strong architectural form in the garden with gentle movement with the slightest breeze. Electric golden yellow color in autumn. Grows 5-6 feet tall.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Monarda
'Bumble Bee King'
PPAF
zone 4-8
\$0.18 royalty
2026 introduction
Bee Balm

With *Monarda bradburiana* as a parent, *Monarda* x 'Bumble Bee King' was originally selected for its clumping habit but the rich deep purple spring emergence has quickly become a signature trait. Hybrid vigor gives the plant a more upright size, about 24 inches in height, and lavender-pink flowers begin in June around the time bumble bees are looking for food. As the petals fade, purpled seedheads add to the show, holding on throughout the fall into winter. Mildew and disease resistant plants persist, extending the season of interest.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings



Monarda
'Midnight Oil'
PP#34,354
bradburiana
zone 4-8
\$0.15 royalty
2021 introduction
Bee Balm

These plants were selected for better vigor, and cleaner, less disease prone foliage along with glossy foliage that emerges chocolate red/purple. Plants get around 18 inches tall and not quite as wide. Flowers are light pink with wine red colored spots beginning in June. They like full sun to light shade, and dry to well-drained average soil. The brown seedheads last throughout winter, too.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Gulley Greenhouse, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT Nurseries, New Moon Nursery, Quality Cuttings



LEUCANTHEMUM 'FLOWER POWER'
larger and hardier



LIATRIS 'BUTTERFLY MAGNET'
they appear, like magic



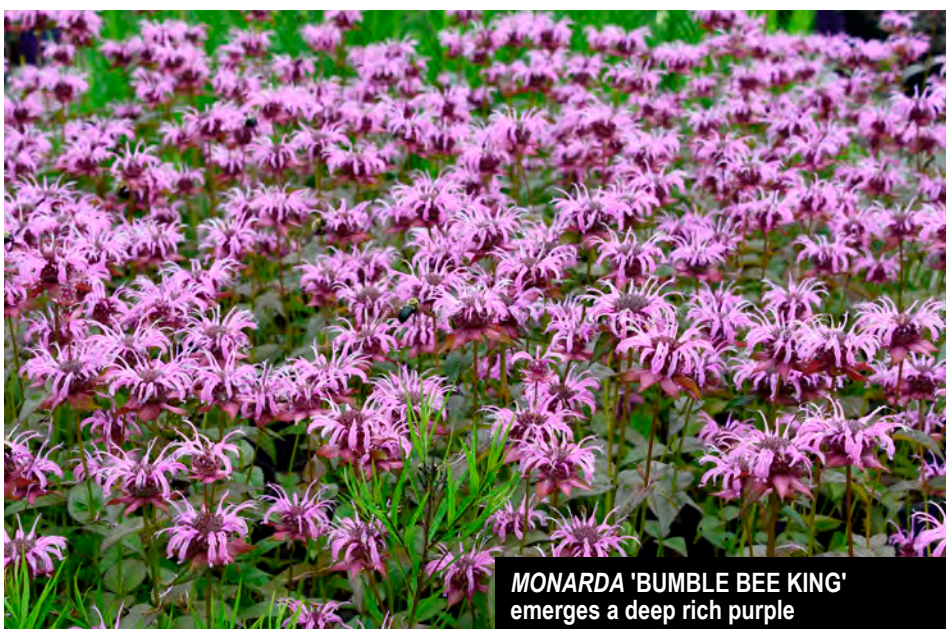
LIATRIS 'TRAILBLAZER'
dark, almost black stems



LIGULARIA 'TREASURE ISLAND'
exceptionally dark green foliage



MOLINIA 'DUTCH DREAMER'
upright with yellow fall color



MONARDA 'BUMBLE BEE KING'
emerges a deep rich purple



MONARDA 'MIDNIGHT OIL'
clean bronzy leaves



PANICUM 'PRAIRIE DOG':

Delicate and airy seedheads top a slender column of thin blades.



Monarda

'Mojo'

PP#29,982

zone 4-8

\$0.15 royalty

2017 introduction

Bee Balm

Chocolate-red foliage emerges early with short silvered hairs and chocolate-red stems. Once the purple flowers bloom in June, the mildew resistant foliage turns to green. Grows to over 24 inches tall in average well-drained soil. Full sun.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Panicum **'Dust in the Wind'**

PPAF

virgatum

zone 5-9

\$0.22 royalty

2024 introduction

Switch Grass

Deep green foliage has tips of olive green-to-purple. Unlike many grasses the coloration stays into summer and intensifies with autumn's cool nights. That's when reddish flowers appear on stiff stems up to five feet tall. By this time the bulk of the plant takes on a chalky purple color. By the end, some orange brightens the top. Full sun; most any soil. Propagation: winter or spring divide. Plant in June or July.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant

Panicum **'Prairie Dog'**

PP#32,736

virgatum

zone 5-9

\$0.20 royalty

2019 introduction

Switch Grass

Selected for a more reserved habit, reaching four to five feet tall with clean blue foliage on upright growth. Heavy flowering, it blooms on the top third of the plant.

■ Available from Art Form, Baker's Nursery, Briggs Nursery, Hidden Acres, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, New Moon Nursery, Norview Gardens, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Pennisetum **'Ginger Love'**

PP#26,442, E.U.

PBR#55,546

alopecuroides

zone 5-9

\$0.20 royalty

2013 introduction

Ginger Love Fountain Grass

If you like 'Red Head' you'll love 'Ginger Love'. This red-flowered fountain grass grows two to three feet tall and wide with thick red inflorescences starting in August and holding on until October. Plants should be deadheaded once seeds start to drop. Full sun; well drained to average soil.

■ Available from Altman Plants, Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JRT, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Monrovia Growers, Opel Growers, Plug Connection

Pennisetum **'Lemon Squeeze'**

PP#34,634

alopecuroides

zone 5-9

exclusive license

2022 introduction

Fountain Grass

A brilliantly colored ornamental grass, 'Lemon Squeeze' boasts chartreuse-gold leaves. One of the best for vigor in gold-leaved *pennisetums* with absolutely no burning in the sun. Full sun is required for the brightest gold color. Copper seedheads appear above the foliage in midsummer.

■ Available from Plantipp (EU), Walters Gardens

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Pennisetum **'Love and Rockets'**

PP#33,035

alopecuroides

zone 5-9

\$0.20 royalty

2020 introduction

Dwarf Fountain Grass

After 19 years of breeding we finally have a small red-flowered fountain grass in the same league as 'Hameln'. Dark green foliage blends nicely with the wine red flowers softening in color by fall. Mature plants reach around 24-30 inches tall. Red-tipped foliage at times adds another dimension. Full sun; most any soil but wet.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, BNC, Exemplar Horticulture, Green Leaf Plants (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, JRT Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Plantipp (EU), Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Pennisetum **'Piglet'**

PP#19,074, EU

PBR# 32,991

alopecuroides

zone 5-9

\$0.10 royalty

2006 introduction

Dwarf Fountain Grass

This dwarf fountain grass tops out at around 18 inches tall and wide. Flowers are substantial enough to be viewed in the landscape compared to 'Little Bunny', and plants grow to about half the size of 'Hameln'. Full sun; well drained soil.

■ Available from Artform Nurseries, Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar, GET Group, Hoffman, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Opel Growers, Samson Botanicals, Twixwood



MONARDA 'MOJO'
over chocolate-red stems



PANICUM 'DUST IN THE WIND'
smokey foliage from spring to fall



PANICUM 'PRAIRIE DOG'
extra clean, upright silvered foliage



PENNISETUM 'GINGER LOVE'
early bloom with ginger color



PENNISETUM 'LEMON SQUEEZE'
showy gold foliage with yellow flowers



PENNISETUM 'LOVE AND ROCKETS'
short red bottlebrush flowers



PENNISETUM 'PIGLET'
small but vigorous



PENNISETUM 'YELLOW RIBBONS':

Blonde inflorescences wave over the golden foliage in late summer.



Pennisetum
'Pure Energy'
PP#34,606
alopecuroides
zone 5-9
\$0.25 royalty
2021 introduction
Golden Fountain Grass

A first when it comes to wide gold foliage in a hardy grass for full sun. John Freil called this "the *Hakonechloa* 'All Gold' for full sun." Foliage reaching a half-inch wide is substantial and showy, peaking in July just before the reddish bottlebrush flowers begin. Plants reach 30–36 inches tall. Works in containers, too. Full sun; average soil.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, JRT, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, Meridian Young Plants, Norview Gardens

Pennisetum
'Red Head'
alopecuroides
zone 5-9
no royalty
2003 introduction
Fountain Grass
Award Winner

The red inflorescence appears in the beginning of August, one month earlier than most. Stunning against feather reed grass, red grasses, variegated miscanthus, and Joe Pye weed. Full sun; well-drained to moist soil. Deadhead in October to prevent reseeding. Awarded 2010 at ISU Conference in Europe.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Pennisetum
'Red Rocket'
PP#28,715
alopecuroides
zone 5-9
\$0.25 royalty
2015 introduction

When the dark red flower spikes of 'Red Rocket' bloom in late summer they will fly off the shelf. Three-foot by three-foot plus substantial plants are the perfect size to blend the tall and small in your border. Full sun; well drained soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Pennisetum
'Water to Wine'
PP#35,189
alopecuroides
zone 5-9
exclusive license
2023 introduction
Fountain Grass

Black flowers emerge from bright green foliage in the summer. Sturdy, bottlebrush-like flowers are a nice cinnamon color all season. As temperatures cool, foliage blushes red and purple and flowers turn tan. Tough and tolerant of poor soil and poor conditions.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery



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Pennisetum
'Yellow Ribbons'
PP#31,362
alopecuroides
zone 5-9
\$0.20 royalty
2019 introduction
Golden Fountain Grass

Yellow foliage plants are nearly the same size as 'Hameln' with thin golden yellow foliage that mellows to chartreuse-yellow by fall. Light tan-colored flowers bloom in August and end in October on 24-inch stems. Stronger growing, hardier, and heavier-blooming than 'Lumen Gold'.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Penstemon
'Pinot Noir'
PPAF
digitalis
zone 5-9
\$0.15 royalty
2025 introduction
Beardtongue

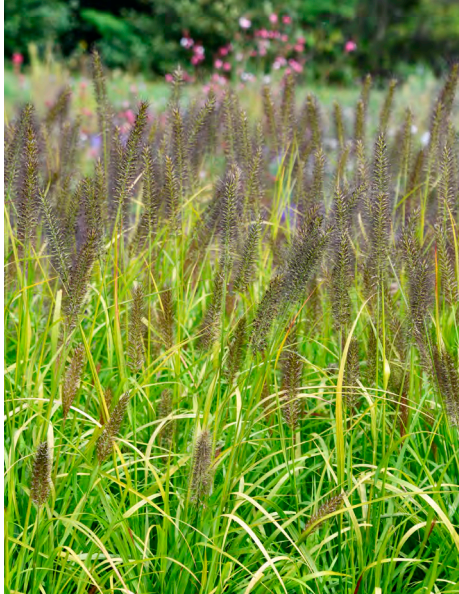
Selected for deeper, darker beet red foliage than anything we've seen on the market, both on upper and undersides of lanceolate leaves, deepening with summer's heat. Foxglove-like, bicolor flowers with lavender-pink shaft and white bloom appear in June followed by ornamental seedheads of capsules. Evergreen clumps of shiny red foliage and stiff stems 36–42 inches in length. Brent likes to pair it with *Liatris spicata*. Full sun, most any soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Penstemon
'Pocahontas'
PP#24,804
digitalis
zone 5-9
\$0.15 royalty
2012 introduction
Beardtongue

Burgundy foliage emerges in spring quickly followed in June by three to four-foot burgundy red stems holding loose clusters of purple-pink flowers. An irresistible combination judging from the guest reactions when we had it blooming near the office. The hummingbirds also had a taste and find it appealing. Prefers full sun and well-drained to rich soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nurseries, GET Group, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, Quality Cuttings, Skagit Gardens, Twixwood, Vitro Westland, Walla Walla Nursery



PENNISETUM 'PURE ENERGY'
bright gold foliage, too!



PENNISETUM 'RED HEAD'
the earliest, great for a big space



PENNISETUM 'RED ROCKET'
very dark red rocket-like flowers



PENNISETUM 'WATER TO WINE'
nearly black flowers



PENNISETUM 'YELLOW RIBBONS'
vigorous plants with fine gold foliage



PENSTEMON 'PINOT NOIR'
evergreen clumps of shiny red foliage



PENSTEMON 'POCAHONTAS'
purple-pink flowers with purple foliage



POLEMONIUM 'PRINCE':

'Prince' stays attractive after blooming due to the colorful calyxes.

Phlox
'Mr. Blue Sky'
zone 4-8
no royalty
2024 introduction

Our second introduction from Jake Letmanski. A hybrid of *divaricata* and our *pilosa* 'Bungalow Blue'. Lavender flowers have strong blue overtones depending on light and temperature. As cut flowers they do turn blue. Fragrant blooms begin appearing in May on 12-15 inch thin stems with pubescent foliage. Full sun, but takes part shade, too. Cuttings after plants bloom in June. Production pot in August or September.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Polemonium
'Heaven Scent'
PP#20,214,
EUPBR#32,205
zone 2-7
exclusive license
2008 introduction
Jacob's Ladder

Lacy pinnate foliage emerges red and continues to hold red highlights until summer. Grape-scented blue flowers begin in May and can continue into June. Plants top out at 18-24 inches tall. Drought tolerant clumps can grow in full sun to part shade. Makes a good cut flower, too. Nice with Geum.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Walters Gardens

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Polemonium
'Prince'
PPAF
reptans
zone 5-9
exclusive license
2026 introduction
Jacob's Ladder

A Must Have Perennials exclusive, 'Prince' has three features—one on top of the other—to keep it interesting. Emerging foliage is deep wine purple, followed by iridescent blue flowers; these ultimately develop into purple seedheads that rival the flowers in beauty. Short clumping plants reach nearly one inch tall and 15 inches wide, with sweetly fragrant flowers in May. Full sun to part shade is preferred and most any soil but wet.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Paul Nihot, Walter Blom Plants



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Perennials
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Polemonium
'Soft Rain'
reptans
zone 2-7
no royalty
2022 introduction
Jacob's Ladder

After years of selecting for unique forms of reptans we finally have a finer form to share. Both the foliage size and plant size are smaller, topping out at just around one inch tall. Iridescent light blue flowers deepen with cool nights, giving the petals a second, deeper hue. Too nice not to share, it's the perfect companion for short carex and other spring plants. Full sun to part shade. Average soil, though it tolerates dry soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Walters Gardens

Polygonatum
'Prince Charming'
PP#22,304
biflorum
zone 3-8
exclusive license
2011 introduction
Dwarf Solomon's Seal

In cooperation with Chicagoland Grows! Clumps no taller than 12 inches start the spring with many pairs of creamy white, perfumed flowers along the short arching stems. In fall, purple berries are followed by golden yellow autumn color. Plants can grow in full sun with drained soil but tolerate part shade.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, GET Group, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Chicagoland
Grows!
Inc.
Exclusive
License

Prunella
'Magdalena'
PP#31,876
zone 5-7
\$0.15 royalty
2019 introduction

Clusters of short, four-sided spikes erupt in mid-June with purple bicolor flowers. Plants grow 6 inches in height and over 12 inches wide. The semi-evergreen fingered and pointed foliage is bright green with purple highlights at the cool times of the year. Full sun, most any soil. Very adaptable.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, New Moon Nursery, North Creek Nurseries, Pioneer Gardens

Pycnanthemum
'Smokey Mountain Mint'
PP#37,175
zone 3-7
\$0.18 royalty
2024 introduction

One of our most exciting plants has a wide appeal to humans and pollinators as well. This hybrid *incanum* has a purple cast to the foliage below the silvered tips, and bract-like leaves surrounding the flower clusters at the tips of the 24-inch stems. These rhizomatous plants have hybrid vigor. Best in full sun. Most any soil but wet. Propagation in spring from cuttings; production in August/September.

■ Available from Creek Hill Nursery, Gardenworld, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood, Willoway Nurseries, Inc.



PHLOX 'MR. BLUE SKY'
cool color range



POLEMONIUM 'HEAVEN SCENT'
long lived and smells like grapes



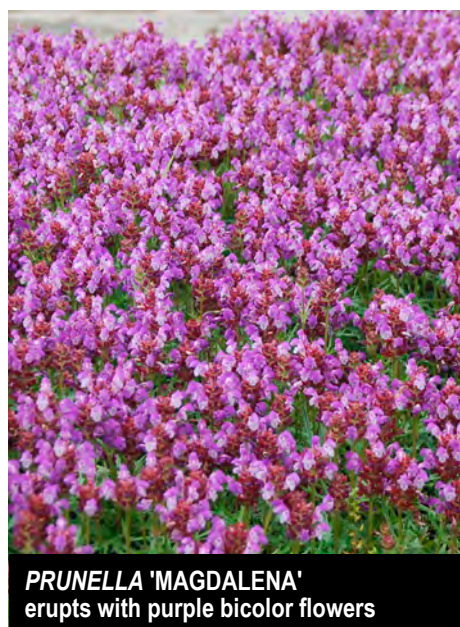
POLEMONIUM 'PRINCE'
foliage is tinged with purple in spring/fall



POLEMONIUM 'SOFT RAIN'
softer blue flowers



POLYGONATUM 'PRINCE CHARMING'
easy and vigorous



PRUNELLA 'MAGDALENA'
erupts with purple bicolor flowers



PYCNANTHEMUM 'SMOKEY MOUNTAIN MINT' pollinator friendly



Rudbeckia
'American Gold Rush'
PP#28,498, CAPBR#6643,
EUPBR#49,424
zone 4-9
\$0.25 royalty
2016 introduction
Black-Eyed Susan
Award Winner

RUDBECKIA 'GLITTERS LIKE GOLD':

Very disease resistant
with the 'Goldsturm' look.

Perennial Plant Association Plant of the Year for 2023! One of my best plants! Naturally compact plants reach 22 inches tall and 40 inches wide at the most, with a rounded habit and heavy bloom starting in late July through September. The golden yellow three-inch flowers have arched petals. Foliage is thinner and hairy giving this plant excellent resistance to *septoria*, the fungus that affects 'Goldsturm'. Full sun; well drained soil.

■ Available from AG3, All Plant BV, Art Form, Bailey Nurseries, Blooming Nursery, Costa Heritage Products, Creek Hill Nursery, Danziger, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar, Express Seed, Gardenworld, GET Group, Green Trade Horticulture, Gulley, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Midwest Groundcovers, New Moon Nursery, North Creek Nurseries, Opel Growers, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Stonehouse Nursery, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood, Vitro Westland, Vitroflora (PL), Walla Walla, Walters Gardens



Rudbeckia
'Glitters Like Gold'
PP#30,933
zone 4-9
\$0.25 royalty
2018 introduction
Black-Eyed Susan

This hybrid has rounded hairy foliage, reminiscent of 'Goldsturm' but with the added bonus of *septoria* fungus resistance. Deep gold flowers are three inches wide and heavily blooming on three-foot plus stems. Full sun to light shade; any soil but wet.

■ Available from AG3, All Plant, Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Gardenworld, Green Trade Horticulture, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Twixwood

Rudbeckia
'Green-Eyed Lady'
PP#36,640
zone 3-8
\$0.25 royalty
2023 introduction
Green-Eyed Susan

A new look in *rudbeckia*, this one begins with green-eyed flowers softening to chartreuse-yellow and eventually turning brown. Upright stems reach 30 inches tall on a plant 18-24 inches wide, all above thin-leaved rosettes of foliage. Full sun; average to dry soil.

■ Available from Allplant, Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Green Trade, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Quality Cuttings, Stonehouse Nursery

Rudbeckia
'Sweet as Honey'
PP#34,972
zone 3-8
\$0.25 royalty
2021 introduction
Black-Eyed Susan

Sprays of small softer golden yellow flowers are easy on the eyes when they begin to bloom in July. Gardeners as well as cut flower growers will delight in their disease resistant, and noticeably finer blooms arising from strongly basal foliage. The sturdy stems are green and pubescent, topping out at 18 inches tall and 24 inches wide. This black-eyed Susan's cones are petite, only a half-inch wide. 'Sweet as Honey' reads as a smaller, upright, and lighter plant both in presence in the garden and in color. Plant is full sun, well-drained soils.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Hampshire Farms, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, North Creek Nurseries, Stonehouse Nursery

Salvia
'Golden Delicious'
PP#17,977
elegans
zone 8-11
\$0.05 royalty
2005 introduction
Golden Pineapple Sage

Tender perennial. Limey yellow foliage that smells like pineapple looks good all year, reaching 42 inches plus in the garden. If kept from frost, plants bloom scarlet red at the end of October. Full sun to light shade. Well-drained to moist or even wet soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

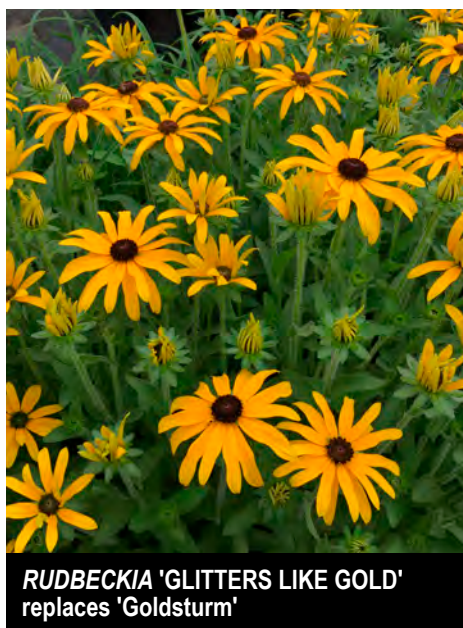
Salvia
'Sixteen Candles'
PP#33,133
nemorosa
zone 3-8
\$0.15 royalty
2020 introduction
Meadow Sage

Don't let the soft pink color fool you. Upright, unbranched 18-inch stems are purple and calyxes are near violet, adding depth to the plant. Late spring blooming. Full sun; well-drained soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood



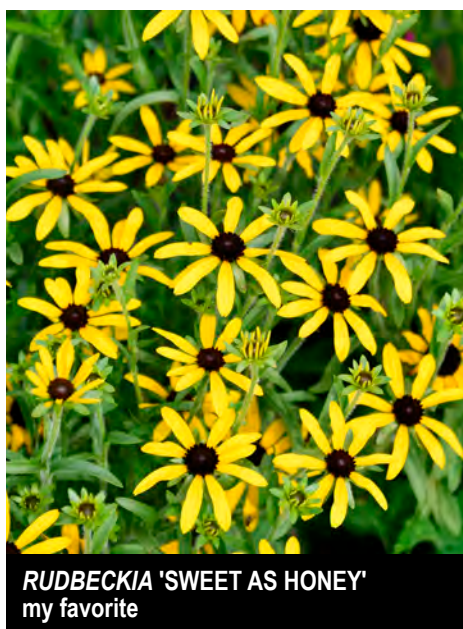
RUDBECKIA 'AMERICAN GOLD RUSH'
easy to propagate, grow, and garden



RUDBECKIA 'GLITTERS LIKE GOLD'
replaces 'Goldsturm'



RUDBECKIA 'GREEN EYED LADY'
a new look with green cones



RUDBECKIA 'SWEET AS HONEY'
my favorite



SALVIA 'GOLDEN DELICIOUS'
great in pots or in the ground



SALVIA 'SIXTEEN CANDLES'
upright with a blend of colors



Scirpus 'Stars and Stripes':

A distinctive seedhead forms in the summer.



Sanguisorba 'Plum Drops'

PP#36,497

zone 4-7

\$0.20 royalty

2023 introduction

Burnet

Heavily blooming plants have wine-colored bottlebrush flowers on three to four-foot tall, thin sturdy stems. Dark green pinnate foliage stays lower to the ground. Full sun; most any soil.

■ Available from All Plant, Gardenworld, Green Trade Horticulture, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, North Creek, Opel Growers, Plant Network (AU), Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood

Schizachyrium 'Jazz'

scoparium

zone 5-8

no royalty

2010 introduction

Little Bluestem

An exciting selection that comes from 'The Blues'. 'Jazz' is a shorter form growing two feet plus with the same blue foliage. It will not fall over, and makes a good replacement for blue oat grass with some purple fall color to the stems, too. Native. Full sun with well-drained soil is best.

■ Available from AG3, Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, Twixwood

Schizachyrium 'Little Red Fox'

PP#36,738

scoparium

zone 5-8

\$0.20 royalty

2023 introduction

Little Bluestem

Known for its wide, powdery blue summer foliage on wider blades, 'Sandhill' transforms into striking shades of orange, purple, and red in fall, providing texture and wildlife benefits. Growing two to four feet tall, it forms an upright clump and has excellent drought tolerance in full sun and well-drained soil. This low-maintenance little bluestem is valued for water-wise landscape use and erosion control, as well as for supporting pollinators and birds with its seeds.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Bloomin' Easy Plants, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Kurt Bluemel, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Monrovia, New Moon Nursery, Poplar Ridge Nursery

Schizachyrium 'Sandhill'

PP#36,359

scoparium

zone 5-8

\$0.20 royalty

2023 introduction

Little Bluestem

Known for its wide, powdery blue summer foliage on wider benefits. Growing two to four feet tall, it forms an upright clump and has excellent drought tolerance in full sun and well-drained soil. This low-maintenance little bluestem is valued for water-wise landscape use and erosion control, as well as for supporting pollinators and birds with its seeds.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Bloomin' Easy Plants, Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers

Scirpus 'Stars and Stripes'

PP#37,140

pendulus

zone 3-9

\$0.25 royalty

2024 introduction

Bullrush

This brightly variegated native bullrush looks very similar to a *carex*. Thin strap-like leaves, usually around three-eighths of an inch or one centimeter wide have bright yellow centers with some streaking, both gold and green, within the strong green edges. Leaf length is one foot plus. In July butter yellow stems emerge 18 to 24 inches tall with star-like clusters at the tips. Prefers moist soil and full sun to part shade. Propagation in winter by division or tissue culture. Best spring-planted.

■ Available from AllPlant, Costa Farms, Emerald Coast Growers, Exemplar Horticulture, Gardenworld, Gerten Greenhouses, Green Trade Horticulture, Gulley Greenhouse, Hidden Acres Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Maple Leaf Nurseries, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Monrovia, Opel Growers, Southern Growers, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood Nursery, Walters Gardens, Willoway Nurseries



Sedum 'Autumn Charm'

aka 'Lajos' PP#14,421

zone 3-9

no royalty

2006 introduction

Showy Stonecrop

A variegated form of *Sedum* 'Autumn Joy', Autumn Charm™ has creamy yellow edges with green centers. In mid-September white buds turn to pink, then russet red. A four season plant with a form that is very stable. On a personal note, 'Lajos' is our first patented plant, named for my charming dad who emigrated from Hungary.

■ Available from Creek Hill Nursery, GET Group, Hoerr Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Sedum 'Autumn Delight'

aka 'Beka' PP#18,398

zone 3-9

\$0.25 royalty

2007 introduction

Showy Stonecrop

A reverse sport that came from *Sedum* 'Lajos' (Autumn Charm™), Autumn Delight™ has foliage with a thin, green edge and chartreuse-yellow centers. Flowers just like 'Autumn Joy', the parent. Due to the variegation the height seems to be shorter. So far we've only seen it grow to 18 inches. 'Beka' means frog in Hungarian and was my dad's affectionate name for my mom. The foliage is showiest in May and June.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, GET Group, Hinsdale, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Stonehouse Nursery, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood



SANGUISORBA 'PLUM DROPS'
makes a nice cut flower, too!



SCHIZACHYRIUM 'JAZZ'
upright plants to 2-1/2 feet



SCHIZACHYRIUM 'LITTLE RED FOX'
compact with silver and purple; red in fall



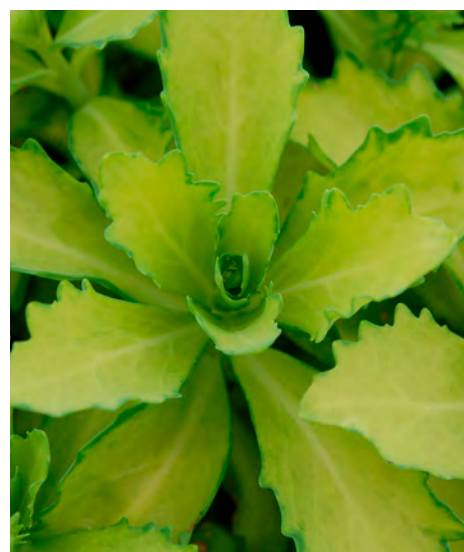
SCHIZACHYRIUM 'SANDHILL'
wider foliage, range of fall colors



SCIRPUS 'STARS AND STRIPES'
striped green and yellow



SEDUM AUTUMN CHARM™
a variegated 'Autumn Joy'



SEDUM AUTUMN DELIGHT™
bright foliage in spring



SEDUM 'CUTTING EDGE':

Mass planting produces a strongly variegated perennial bed.

Sedum
'Cutting Edge'
PP#28,926
ellacombianum
zone 3-8
\$0.10 royalty
2016 introduction
Stoncrop

Virtually static plants start with butter yellow edges on bright green foliage and hints of pink in spring. Six to eight-inch tall mounds spread over 12 inches wide, looking good from spring to fall and providing vivid contrast for full sun to part shade. Well-drained soil.

■ Available from Art Form, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT Nurseries, Quality Cuttings, Swift Greenhouses, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Lime Joy'
PP#32,135
zone 3-9
\$0.20 royalty
2019 introduction
Showy Stoncrop

Gray-green foliage erupts on vigorous plants and by mid-July domed, lime green buds resemble hydrangea buds. In September the flower heads swell to six to eight-inch packed domes of pink and magenta bicolor flowers. Strong stems grow to 15 inches tall and take on some red-purple coloration. Full sun; well drained soil.

■ Available from Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Opel Growers, Pioneer Gardens, Twixwood

Sedum
'Nerds'
album
zone 4-9
no royalty
2020 introduction
Stoncrop

After collecting seed on a group of over 100 different *Sedum album*s we selected this as being superior. Ground hugging, vigorous plants are deep green and russet red all year long with some orange-ish highlights. Heavy blooming plants in June are only three to four inches tall with white flowers.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT Nurseries

Sedum
'Pillow Talk'
PP#28,528
zone 3-9
\$0.20 royalty
2016 introduction
Showy Stoncrop

Substantial plants with hybrid vigor reach 18-24 inches tall and wide. Gray-green foliage is held on rose-colored stems, and can have reddish edges. Large five to six-inch flower heads of deep pink and magenta stand out from the crowd. Fall color of chartreuse and pink foliage, too. Resistant to Rhizoctonia. Full sun to light shade; well-drained soil is best.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Twixwood, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Pure Joy'
PP#24,194
zone 3-9
exclusive license
2011 introduction
Showy Stoncrop

Blue-green foliage reminiscent of *Sedum sieboldii* grows in tight compact clumps only reaching around 12 inches high and up to 15 inches wide. Soft bicolor pink flowers begin in September. Full sun with well-drained soil is best.

■ Available from Four Star, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Walters Gardens

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Sedum
'Rock Candy'
PP#34,767
spurium
zone 3-7
\$0.10 royalty
2021 introduction
Two Row Stoncrop

A dark-leaved variety, with smaller foliage on tight mat-forming plants. Fall through spring color is reddish-purple. New growth in spring is dark green with red highlights. In July, rose-pink flower sprays bloom just above the foliage on three to four-inch stems. Plants prefer full sun to light shade, and dry to average soil.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Sedum
'Rock Star'
PP#29,036
zone 3-9
\$0.10 royalty
2016 introduction
Showy Stoncrop

Pointed gray-green foliage in tight clumps has pink flowers on one-inch stems, starting in mid-August through September. This pink companion to 'Thundercloud' was selected as much for its foliage as it was for the flower color! Full sun to light shade with well-drained soil is best.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Plant Network (AU), Twixwood, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Sunset Boulevard'
PP#32,697
zone 3-9
\$0.20 royalty
2019 introduction
Showy Stoncrop

This sister seedling to 'Pillow Talk' has darker raspberry-colored flowers and exceptional fall foliage. Autumn color throughout the plant is lime-green, orange, and red, on red stems with wine-colored seedheads. An exceptional fall plant that's great for containers. Full sun; well-drained soil.

■ Available from All Plant, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Plant Network (AU), Twixwood, Vitro Westland



SEDUM 'CUTTING EDGE'
distinctive margins on serrated tips



SEDUM 'LIME JOY'
large bicolor heads



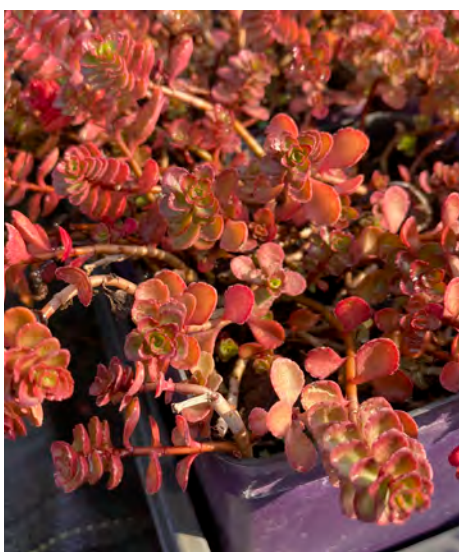
SEDUM 'NERDS'
small foliage of orange, red, and green



SEDUM 'PILLOW TALK'
disease resistant



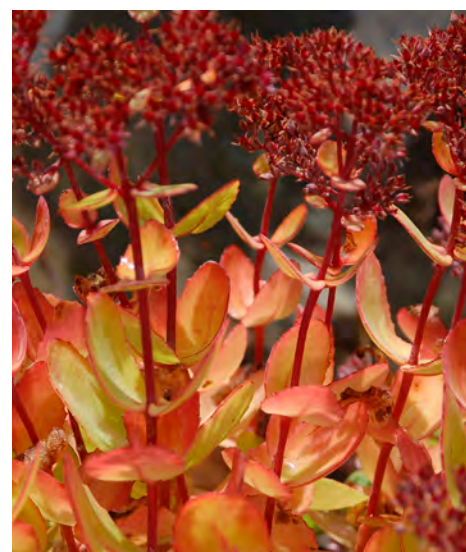
SEDUM 'PURE JOY'
soft pink mounds



SEDUM 'ROCK CANDY'
great groundcover with dark foliage



SEDUM 'ROCK STAR'
brilliant red flowers, too



SEDUM 'SUNSET BOULEVARD'
great fall color



SEDUM 'THUNDERCLOUD':

Each complex flower cluster is built with tinges of pink, white, and pastel green.

Sedum
'Thundercloud'
PP#21,833,
EUPBR#33206
zone 3-9
\$0.10 royalty
2009 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

Unique pointed gray-green foliage emerges in spring on strongly mounding domes, slowly expanding to 10-12-inch mounds. White *spectabile*-type flowers bloom from the end of August into September. Full sun; well-drained soil.

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers, GET Group, Greenleaf Nursery Company, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, North Creek Nurseries, Pioneer Gardens, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Yellowstone'
PP#33,174
sexangulare
zone 3-9
\$0.10 royalty
2020 introduction
Stonecrop

Chartreuse fingered foliage turns to gold as the season heads into summer, with peak gold foliage quickly followed by yellow flowers in July. Spreading plants grow 4-6 inches tall and over one inch wide. Larger foliage and better vigor than 'Golddigger'.

■ Available from Bloomin' Easy Plants, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings

Sesleria
'Star Crossed'
PPAF
zone 5-9
\$0.25 royalty
2026 introduction
Moor Grass

Sesleria x 'Star Crossed' was born from a cross of two exceptional blue forms of sesleria. The result is wider and bluer foliage in a compact mound maturing at 8 to 10 inches tall and 12 inches wide. Creamy yellow flowers are held on winged stems 15 inches in length. Sesleria grows best in cool times of the season, preferring average-to-moist soil and tolerating full sun to light shade. It makes a perfect foil for low spring flowering bulbs and perennials.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Monrovia



Sesleria
'Tiny Dancer'
zone 5-8
no royalty
2024 introduction
Moor Grass

Extra thin green foliage looks almost turf-like but these small clumping plants only reach around eight inches plus tall. Spring flowers are also smaller on short 12-inch stems, blooming in May and June. Perfect for smaller gardens and spaces or a mini meadow. Full sun to part shade; most any soil. Propagation in winter by division. Production most anytime but August and September are ideal.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Solidago
'Sugar Kisses'
PP#34,747
AKA *Oligoneuron*
'Sugar Kisses'
zone 3-9
\$0.15 royalty
2022 introduction
Goldenrod

A hybrid of a white upland species and a moist-loving gold species yielding vigorous, adaptable plants. Basal clumps of half-inch wide, clean, strap-like foliage make a nice backdrop. In July woody-like stems bolt to 24 inches tall, starting with lime-yellow buds in clusters. Typically white flowers have creamy yellow centers. Works well as a cut flower in bud and in flower, lasting a week or more. Full sun; average to most any soil. Great with *asters* and low grasses.

■ Available from AllPlant, Blooming Nursery, Future Plants, Green Trade Horticulture, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, North Creek Nurseries, Quality Cuttings

Sporobolus
'Golden Needles'
PPAF
heterolepis
zone 3-9
\$0.25 royalty
2025 introduction

This consistent plant was one of the showiest crops en masse from spring through summer on our farm. An all gold leaf prairie dropseed, it has good vigor and size, similar to the species. By midsummer the softly arching foliage brightens to chartreuse. Flowering at three feet, 'Golden Needles' is an adaptable plant that's best in dry, well-drained soil. Foliage is brightest in full sun and lean soil.

■ Available from Bakers Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Microplant, Monrovia

Stachys
'Summer Crush'
PP#29,899
zone 4-8
\$0.15 royalty
2017 introduction
Betony

Vigorous, substantial plants growing to 24 inches plus have white and pink bicolor spikes that bloom from June into July. Crinkled green foliage is fragrant when crushed and deer resistant. Full sun; average soil. Adaptable, long-lived, and trouble free.

■ Available from Gardenworld, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Rijnbeek, Stonehouse Nursery, Vitro Westland



SEDUM 'THUNDERCLOUD'
clouds of white



SEDUM 'YELLOWSTONE'
gold foliage in May



SESLERIA 'STAR CROSSED'
wider & bluer with creamy yellow flowers



SESLERIA 'TINY DANCER'
a small spring bloomer



SOLIDAGO 'SUGAR KISSES'
a great cut flower



SPOROBOLUS 'GOLDEN NEEDLES'
foliage is brightest in full sun



STACHYS 'SUMMER CRUSH'
vigorous pink and white flowers



VERONICA 'SEASIDE':

A substantial plant with an extended pollinator window.



Stachys
'Summer Romance'
PP#30,243
zone 4-8
\$0.15 royalty
2017 introduction
Betony

June is a romantic time of year in the garden and this *stachys* adds to the drama with longer spikes of pinker-purple flowers on 24-inch tall plants. Habit is very upright, too, and works nicely with *Monarda* 'Mojo'. Crinkled green foliage looks great all season and resists deer. Full sun; average to moist soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, North Creek Nurseries, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Rijnbeek, Vitro Westland

Vernonia
'Over My Head'
zone 5a-9b
no royalty
2024 introduction
Ironweed

Our second ironweed, this seedling of *Vernonia altissima* likely has 'Southern Cross' as the other parent. Substantial plants grow eight feet plus tall. Foliage reaches one inch wide by eight to ten inches long, giving the whole plant a semi-tropical feel due to its abundance. Plants bud and bloom from September into October with large clusters of one-inch purple flowers on wide open panicles. Attractive to pollinators. Average soil. Propagation in spring; production in summer.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Vernonia
'Southern Cross'
zone 5-8
no royalty
2013 introduction
Ironweed

A favorite selection this hybrid came from seed sown as *Vernonia lettermanii*. The other parent is unknown but it had broad foliage and this one has intermediate foliage measuring up to a half-inch wide. The deep green foliage looks good all season long. The plant grows three feet tall and wide, blooming in August. Purple flowers can have thin white filaments along with lacy purple petals that emerge from deep purple buds that look like little jewels.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, GET Group, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Kurt Bluemel, New Moon Nursery, Twixwood

Veronica
'Pure Silver'
incana
zone 3-7
no royalty
2013 introduction
Woolly Speedwell

Selected for vigor and longevity in the garden. Typically this species requires sharp drainage but this selection is more adaptable to heavy soil and moist conditions. Silvered foliage on 12-inch plus clumps is topped by numerous 15-inch plus spikes of vivid sky blue flowers in June. Full sun with well-drained soil is ideal. Nice with *Geranium sanguineum*.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Stonehouse Nursery

Veronica
'Seaside'
PP#35,686
zone 3-7
exclusive license
2023 introduction
Speedwell

This more substantial *veronica* grows 24 inches tall with wider bright green foliage. Nearly woody stems are topped with wider, longer sky blue flowers over an extended period from early summer to late summer. Full sun; average to well-drained soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings



Veronica
'Spike'
PP#27,814
zone 3-7
\$0.10 royalty
2016 introduction
Spike Speedwell

Full blue spikes bloom in summer atop 12-15 inch upright stems on low growing, compact plants. Full sun and well-drained soil is best. An improvement over 'Royal Candles'.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Veronicastrum
'Queen of Diamonds'
virginicum
zone 4-8
no royalty
2020 introduction
Culver's Root

Believe it or not this fine form of Culver's root was selected solely for its clean, dark green foliage. When it emerges the tips are wine red. Light pink spikes are held on 4-foot upright stems and open in mid-August. Full sun; most any soil but moist is ideal.

■ Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood



STACHYS 'SUMMER ROMANCE'
softer color



VERNONIA 'OVER MY HEAD'
eight-foot stems



VERNONIA 'SOUTHERN CROSS'
deep green foliage



VERONICA 'PURE SILVER'
extra clean silver foliage



VERONICA 'SEASIDE'
thick blue flowers on larger plants



VERONICA 'SPIKE'
heavy bloom!



VERONICASTRUM 'QUEEN OF DIAMONDS'
very upright plants



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Andropogon
'Blackhawks'

