



2024 Genetics & Supply

featuring
Scirpus pendulus 'Stars and Stripes' PPAF



Rudbeckia 'American Gold Rush'
Perennial Plant of the Year 2023



Panicum 'Dust in the Wind'
chalky purple foliage



Monarda 'Midnight Oil'
Catalog Cover 2024
Creek Hill Nursery



Rudbeckia 'American Gold Rush'
Article in GrowerTalks, OCT 23

About *Scirpus* 'Stars and Stripes'



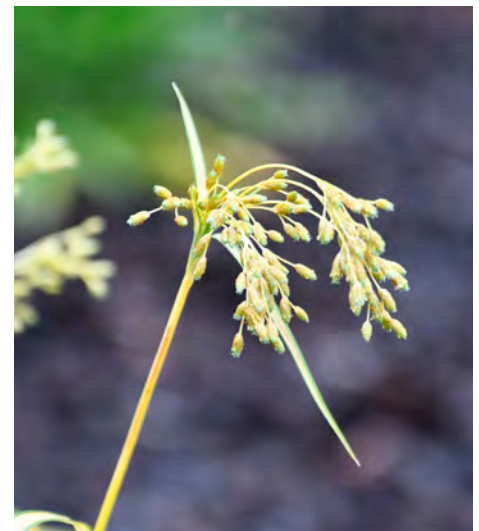
THE COVERAGE knits together

Scirpus pendulus 'Stars and Stripes' PPAF comes across as a yellow-green carex, but it is one of the graceful plants of the wet prairie, well adapted for both seasons of flooding and drought. It thrives in full sun, and light shade is not a problem.

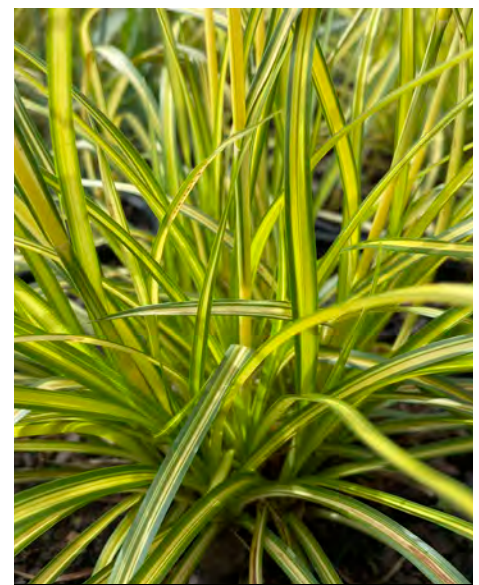
The pendulus species of bullrush is best identified by drooping seedheads held on 18-inch plus yellow stems. The ornamental value of 'Stars and Stripes' lies in vibrant wide variegation running through the center of the leaf blade.

For commercial applications, consider water catchments required in modern developments. 'Stars and Stripes' knits into a low solid bed that requires no mowing. Foot traffic for maintenance is no problem, and the vibrant stripes add a snap to the design aesthetic of other industrial features of the property.

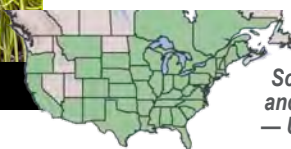
The benefits work for residential homes where soggy soil, running water, rainspouts or significant runoff seasonally returns. Its attractive no-mow capability holds the soil in places too steep or uncomfortable for mowing.



THE TASSELS have a strong yellow



THE STRIPES follow a wide center line



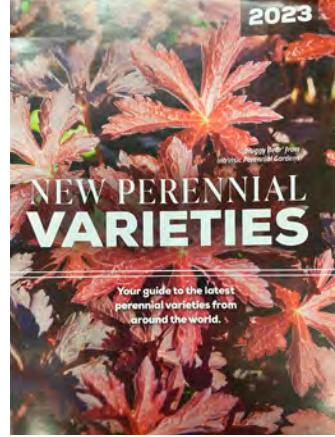
Scirpus is native to most states and provinces in North America. — USDA Natural Resources map



Bouteloua 'Sunset Prairie'
exceptional reds and purples



Phlox 'Mr. Blue Sky'
fragrant cross of two blues



Geranium 'Huggy Bear'
New Perennial Varieties cover
Greenhouse Management/GIE Media
for Cultivate 2023



Vernonia 'Over My Head'
tall perennial for tall grasses

News & New Plants



PYCNANTHEMUM 'SMOKEY MOUNTAIN'

Coming off the year of *Rudbeckia* 'American Gold Rush' as PPA Plant of the Year is hard to beat, and momentum is building for a few of our newest plants. It keeps things exciting.

Besides our new plants in 2024 we will launch a dedicated website, intrinsicintroductions.com, with information and pictures that we can't include in a print catalog. This will include links to all our suppliers.

Geranium maculatum 'Huggy Bear' gained attention from a few new producers and graced the cover of the New Plant Pamphlet at Cultivate, with well over 10,000 copies given out and more mailed. *Monarda bradburiana* 'Midnight Oil' is another cover plant, appearing on the front of the Creek Hill Nursery catalog.

New in 2023, both of our little bluestems, 'Little Red Fox' and 'Sandhill', have interest from a wide range of the industry, too. We continue to sell almost as much as we can produce on *Andropogon gerardii* 'Blackhawks', *Allium* x 'Windy City', and *Bouteloua gracilis* 'Honeycomb'!

Bouteloua curtipendula 'Sunset Prairie', like our *Schizachyrium scoparium* 'Little Red Fox', has a lot of different colors. Low mounding foliage of blue-green leaves has the typical thin stems to 30 inches plus. Their fall color is an exceptional blend of red and purple.

Panicum virgatum 'Dust in the Wind' PPAF has highlights of chalky purple from spring to fall, with orange as fall begins.

Phlox x 'Mr. Blue Sky' is a cross between two great spring blooming phlox, both with blue flowers, that results in lavender-blue. Fragrant plants top out around 15 inches with early bloom just like the parents.

Pycnanthemum x 'Smokey Mountain Mint' PPAF is probably the most exciting new plant, due to its wide appeal. Silvered growth tips layer on top of a grayed-purple foliage on robust hybrid plants of 24–30 inches in height.

Sesleria x 'Tiny Dancer' could pass as a turf grass but the strongly clumped plants bloom in spring on short stems of just 12–15 inches.

Vernonia x 'Over My Head' may not fit every garden at 8–10 feet tall but it works well with tall grasses. Open panicles of one-inch purple clusters make a statement from a distance.

Newly available supply includes many bareroot/divisions, especially grasses, from Todd Baker at **Baker's Nursery** in Canada.

Quality Cuttings also added three more URCs: *Aster* x 'Thunderdome' PPAF, *Rudbeckia* 'Green Eyed Lady' and *Sedum* x 'Peace and Joy'!

If you haven't see our grasses at their peak in September, be sure to attend our **Ornamental Grass Day** on Friday September 13, 2024.

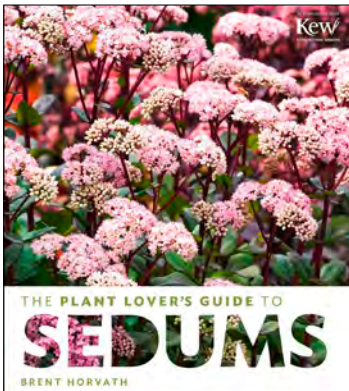


SESLERIA 'TINY DANCER'



2024 Full Line of Breeding grasses and grass-like 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

Allium

- *schoenoprasum* 'Rising Star'
- x 'Big Beauty' PP#34,306
- x 'Chivette' PP#30,151
- x 'New Moon' PPAF
- x 'Windy City' PP#28,100

N Amsonia

- *tabernaemontana* 'Fontana'
- x 'Bases Loaded'*
- x 'Halfway to Arkansas'
- x 'Seventh Inning Stretch'

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

- *oblongifolius* '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* 'Pink 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' PPAF

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
- x 'Wet Kiss' PP#27,227

Hosta

- 'Hasta Mañana' PP#30,157

Lamium

- *maculatum* 'Ghost'

Leucanthemum

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

N Liatris

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



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!

Intrinsic Introductions was born from a business my father built after he immigrated from Hungary in 1956. He chose the name "Intrinsic" because he felt garden plants should have intrinsic value to the garden. Today, I breed the plants he would have grown for his perennial nursery.

Ligularia

- x 'Treasure Island'

Molinia

- *arundinacea* 'Dutch Dreamer'

N Monarda

- *bradburiana* 'Midnight Oil' PP#34,354

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* 'Puppy Love' PP#30,973
- *alopecuroides* 'Pure Energy' PP#34,606
- *alopecuroides* 'Red Head'
- *alopecuroides* 'Red Rocket' PP#28,715
- *alopecuroides* 'Water to Wine' PP#35,189
- *alopecuroides* 'Yellow Ribbons' PP#31,362

Phlox

- 'Mr. Blue Sky'

Penstemon

- *digitalis* 'Pocahontas' PP#24,804

N Polemonium

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

Polygonatum

- x 'Prince Charming' PP#22,304

Pycnanthemum

- 'Smokey Mountain Mint' PPAF

N Rudbeckia

- x 'American Gold Rush'* PP#28,498
- x 'Glitters Like Gold'* PP#30,933
- x 'Green Eyed Lady' PPAF
- x 'Sweet as Honey'* PPAF

Salvia

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

Sanguisorba

- x 'Plum Drops' PPAF

N Schizachyrium

- *scoparium* 'Jazz'
- *scoparium* 'Little Red Fox'* PPAF
- *scoparium* 'Sandhill' PPAF

Scirpus

- *pendulus* 'Stars and Stripes' PPAF

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')
- x Autumn Delight™ (aka 'Beka' PP#18,398)
- x 'Lime Joy' PP#32,135
- x 'Peace and Joy' PP#30,858
- 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

- x 'Tiny Dancer'

N Solidago

- x 'Sugar Kisses'* PP#34,747

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 'Kiss the Sky' PP#31,665
- x 'Seaside'* PPAF
- x 'Spike' PP#27,814

N Veronicastrum

- *virginicum* 'Queen of Diamonds'



2024 Input Sources

Cultivar	URC	TC	Bare Root
<i>Allium</i> 'Big Beauty'			Baker's Nursery Pioneer Gardens
<i>Allium</i> 'Chivette'			Pioneer Gardens
<i>Allium</i> 'New Moon'			Pioneer Gardens
<i>Allium</i> 'Windy City'			Baker's Nursery Pioneer Gardens
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Blackhawks'		All Plant (EU) Microplant	Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Dancing Wind'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Holy Smoke'		Meridian Young Plants Microplant	Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery
<i>Andropogon</i> 'Red October'		All Plant (EU) Microplant	Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery
<i>Aster</i> 'Thunderdome'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Bouteloua</i> 'Honeycomb'			Baker's Nursery
<i>Carex</i> 'Straw Hat'		Meridian Young Plants	
<i>Delosperma</i> 'Orange Crush'	Darwin Perennials		
<i>Delosperma</i> 'Mountain Dew'	Darwin Perennials		
<i>Festuca</i> 'Cool As Ice'			Baker's Nursery JAO Nursery
<i>Geranium</i> 'Huggy Bear'		Meridian Young Plants Microplant	
<i>Geum</i> 'Alabama Slammer'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Banana Daiquiri'		All Plant (EU) Green Trade Horticulture	Pioneer Gardens
<i>Geum</i> 'Cherry Bomb'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Citronge'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Cosmopolitan'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Dark and Stormy'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Gimlet'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Limoncello'			Future Plants
<i>Geum</i> 'Mai Tai'		All Plant (EU) Vitro Westland Green Trade Horticulture	Pioneer Gardens
<i>Geum</i> 'Sea Breeze'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Solid Gold Dancer'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Spanish Fly'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Geum</i> 'Wet Kiss'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Hosta</i> 'Hasta Mañana'		Vitro Westland	
<i>Lamium</i> 'Ghost'	Dümmen		
<i>Leucanthemum</i> 'Flower Power'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Ligularia</i> 'Treasure Island'		Vitro Westland	

Licensed Propagators

UNITED STATES

AG 3, Inc.
Altman Plants
Art Form Nurseries
Bailey Nurseries
Battlefield Farms
Blooming Nursery
Briggs Nursery
Creek Hill Nursery
Emerald Coast Growers
Express Seed
Garden Choice

Gardenworld
Gertens
GET Group
Green Leaf Plants (Aris)
Green Trade Horticulture
Green Leaf Nursery
Gulley
Hoffman Nursery
Hortech
JAO Nursery
Kurt Bluemel
Meridian Young Plants

Midwest Groundcovers
Monrovia Growers
New Moon Nursery
North Creek Nurseries
Opel Growers
Pioneer Gardens
Plug Connection
Poplar Ridge Nursery
Proven Winners
Quality Cuttings
Samson Botanicals
Skagit Horticulture

Stonehouse Nursery
Swift Greenhouses
Twixwood Nursery
Walla Walla Nursery
Walters Gardens
CANADA
Baker's Nursery
JRT Nursery
BNC
Exemplar Horticulture
Janus Gardens
Norview Gardens

EUROPE & THE WORLD

All Plant (Netherlands)
Danziger (Israel)
CNB (Netherlands)
Future Plants (Netherlands)
Plant Network (Australia)
Rijnbeek (Netherlands)
Wild Flowers Pia
(South Korea)

Cultivar	URC	TC	Bare Root
<i>Monarda</i> 'Midnight Oil'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Panicum</i> 'Dust in the Wind'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery
<i>Panicum</i> 'Prairie Dog'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Ginger Love'			Baker's Nursery
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Love and Rockets'			Baker's Nursery
<i>Pennisetum</i> 'Pure Energy'			Baker's Nursery
<i>Penstemon</i> 'Pocahontas'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland	
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'American Gold Rush'	Danziger Express Seed Quality Cuttings	AG3 All Plant (EU) Express Seed Microplant Vitro Westland Green Trade Horticulture Meridian Young Plants	
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Glitters Like Gold'	Quality Cuttings	AG3 Green Trade Horticulture Meridian Young Plants Microplant	
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Green Eyed Lady'	Quality Cuttings	Microplant	
<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Sweet as Honey'		Microplant	
<i>Salvia</i> 'Sixteen Candles'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Sanguisorba</i> 'Plum Drops'		All Plant (EU) Green Trade Hort. (US)	
<i>Schizachyrium</i> 'Little Red Fox'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery
<i>Schizachyrium</i> 'Sandhill'		Microplant	Baker's Nursery
<i>Scirpus</i> 'Stars and Stripes'		Microplant	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Cutting Edge'	Quality Cuttings	Green Trade Horticulture	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Lime Joy'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Sedum</i> 'Nerds'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Sedum</i> 'Peace and Joy'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Pillow Talk'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Rock Candy'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Sedum</i> 'Rock Star'		Vitro Westland	Pioneer Gardens
<i>Sedum</i> 'Sunset Boulevard'		All Plant (EU) Vitro Westland	
<i>Sedum</i> 'Thundercloud'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland	Pioneer Gardens
<i>Sedum</i> 'Yellowstone'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Solidago</i> 'Sugar Kisses'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Stachys</i> 'Summer Crush'	Quality Cuttings	Vitro Westland	
<i>Stachys</i> 'Summer Romance'	Quality Cuttings	Meridian Young Plants Vitro Westland	
<i>Veronica</i> 'Seaside'	Quality Cuttings		
<i>Veronicastrum</i> 'Queen of Diamonds'	Quality Cuttings		



Allium 'Big Beauty' has wide, strappy, spade-like leaves. Large globes open over the thick foliage in progression for about two months, one of the longest displays among alliums.

Allium 'Big Beauty'
PP#34,306
\$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 'Chivette'
PP#30,151
exclusive license
2017 introduction
Ornamental Onion

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

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens **GardenChoice™ Exclusive License**

Allium 'New Moon'
PPAF
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 **GardenChoice™ Exclusive License**



Allium 'Rising Star'
schoenoprasum
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 'Windy City'
PP#28,100
\$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, Baker's Nursery, Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Garden World, Gertens, Green Leaf Nursery, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Pioneer Gardens, Twixwood

Amsonia 'Bases Loaded'
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

Amsonia 'Fontana'
tabernaemontana
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. Zones 4 to 9. Full sun to light shade. Well-drained to dry soil.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens



ALLIUM 'BIG BEAUTY'
taller than most



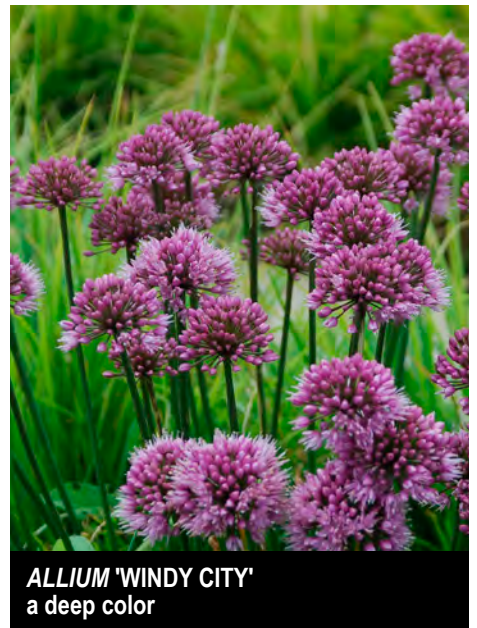
ALLIUM 'CHIVETTE' an edible
chive with nearly sterile flowers



ALLIUM 'NEW MOON'
blooms very heavily



ALLIUM 'RISING STAR'
an extra dwarf chive



ALLIUM 'WINDY CITY'
a deep color



AMSONIA 'BASES LOADED'
bred for heavy blooming



AMSONIA 'FONTANA'
also has red seedheads



Andropogon 'Blackhawks' becomes nearly black by the end of summer. Our other cultivars show bright reds, bronzes, oranges, or a silvery highlight.



Amsonia 'Halfway to Arkansas'
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

Amsonia 'Seventh Inning Stretch'
no royalty
2018 introduction
Baseball™ Bluestar

Initially glossy foliage emerges green but smaller than a typical *illustris*. The habit on this hybrid is upright but more reserved and bushier. Light blue flower clusters bloom at the top of the thin stems in late May to early June, eventually reaching three feet. Full sun to light shade.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Andropogon 'Blackhawks'
PP#27,949,
EUPBR#53,060
gerardii
\$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, Baker's Nursery, Briggs Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, GET Group, Green Leaf Nursery, Hoffman Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, Microplant, Midwest Groundcovers, Monrovia Growers, New Moon Nursery, Northcreek Nursery, Norview Gardens, Poplar Ridge, Samson Botanicals, Twixwood, Walla Walla Nursery, Walters Gardens

Andropogon 'Dancing Wind'
PP#26,892
gerardii
\$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 Baker's Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Microplant, Norview Gardens

Andropogon 'Holy Smoke'
PP#33,929
gerardii
\$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, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Hoerr Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, JRT, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Norview Gardens

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

Red-tipped foliage, deeper green than the species, turns totally maroon in fall. Red flowers bloom on red stems.

■ Available from Emerald Coast Growers



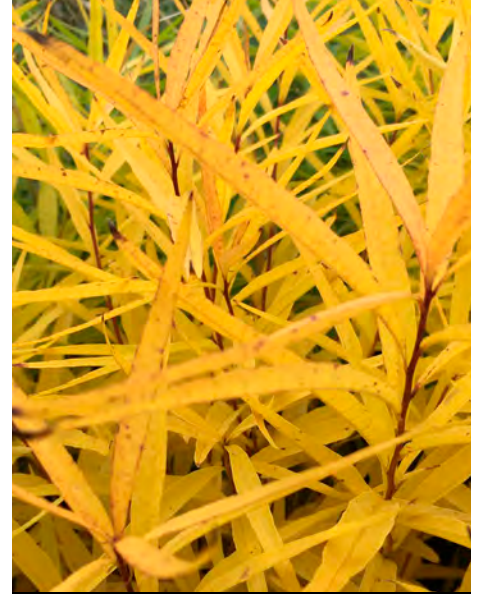
Andropogon 'Red October'
PP#26,283
gerardii
\$0.25 royalty
2013 introduction
Big Bluestem
Award Winner

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, Briggs Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, GET Group, Hoffman Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, Microplant, North Creek Nurseries, Norview Gardens, International, Walla Walla Nursery



AMSONIA 'HALFWAY TO ARKANSAS'
hybrid vigor on large plants



AMSONIA 'SEVENTH INNING STRETCH'
great fall color



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



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



Aster
'Arrested Development'
no royalty
2022 introduction

***Bouteloua* 'Honeycomb':** All *boutelouas* are known for their distinctive seedheads. 'Honeycomb' is a hardier version.

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'
oblongifolius
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
\$.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 up to three feet wide. A new color break in this type of *aster*. Full sun and average to dry soil.

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

Bouteloua
'Honeycomb'
PP#33,101
gracilis
\$.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, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Poplar, Norview Gardens, Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Bouteloua
'Sunset Prairie'
curtipendula
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
\$.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, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Samson Botanicals, Twixwood

Delosperma
'Mountain Dew'
PP#31,543
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. Zones 5 to 9. 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



Exclusive License

Delosperma
'Orange Crush'
PP#30,806
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



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ASTER 'ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT'
extra short plants



ASTER 'CHICAGO'
large lavender-blue flowers



ASTER 'THUNDERDOME'
deep color on large plants



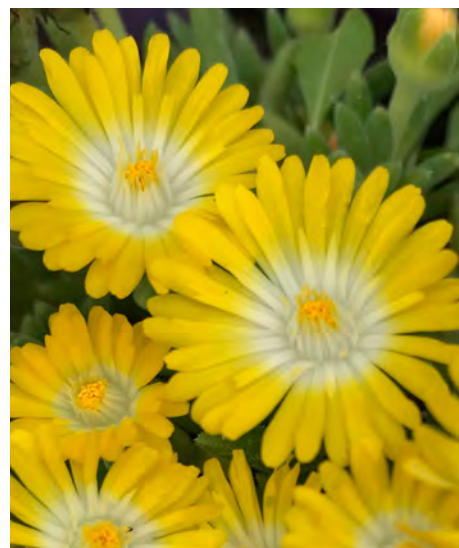
BOUTELOUA 'HONEYCOMB'
large vigorous plants



BOUTELOUA 'SUNSET PRAIRIE'
red tints turn purple in fall



CAREX 'STRAW HAT'
showier flowers in April and May



DELOSPERMA 'MOUNTAIN DEW'
bright and cheerful



DELOSPERMA 'ORANGE CRUSH'
soft orange with pink bases



Eupatorium 'Blind Date': Foliage that turns bronze in full sun is another significant feature of this *eupatorium*.

Dianthus
'Fuchsia Fire'
PP#32,987
\$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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Twixwood

Echinacea
'Showoff'
purpurea
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
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
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
\$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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

Eupatorium
'Polished Brass'
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

Festuca
'Cool as Ice'
PP#27,651,
EUPBRA
\$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. Zones 4 to 8. 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, GET Group, Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JAO Nursery, JRT, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Opel Growers, Plug Connection, Poplar Ridge, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood, Walla Walla Nursery

Geranium
'Huggy Bear'
PPAF
maculatum
\$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



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



FESTUCA 'COOL AS ICE'
hardier and more drought resistant



GERANIUM 'HUGGY BEAR'
red tints turn purple in fall



Garden Gem Geums come in a wide range of colors to welcome spring!



Geum
'Alabama Slammer'
PP#23,750
\$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, GET Group, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Vitro Westland

Geum
'Banana Daiquiri'
PP#25,351
\$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. Semi-evergreen 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 Hort., Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Vitro Westland

Geum
'Champagne'
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. Vigorous plants are hardy in Zones 4 to 8. Rich moist soil is best.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Geum
'Cherry Bomb'
PP#30,960
\$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, Pioneer Gardens, Vitro Westland

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

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. Zones 4 to 8.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Vitro Westland

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

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, Pioneer Gardens, Vitro Westland

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

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, Vitro Westland





GEUM 'ALABAMA SLAMMER'
orange and red bicolor



GEUM 'BANANA DAIQUIRI'
soft yellow



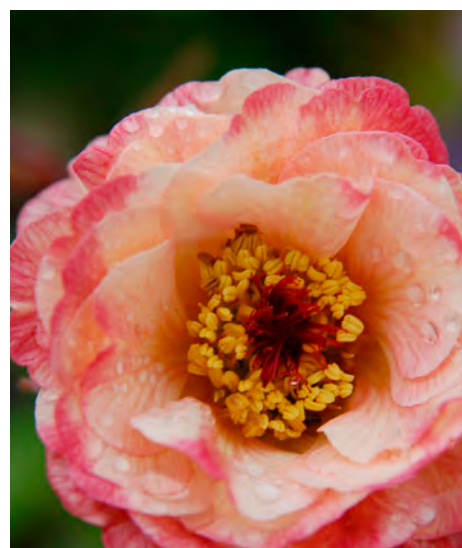
GEUM 'CHAMPAGNE'
like bubbles in the garden



GEUM 'CHERRY BOMB'
infertile with double petals



GEUM 'CITRONGE'
creamy orange



GEUM 'COSMOPOLITAN'
resemble little roses



GEUM 'MAI TAI'
our most popular



Lamium 'Ghost': In addition to its silvery foliage, 'Ghost' produces a carpet of color over the top when it blooms.

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

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.

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

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

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

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

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, Monrovia, Pioneer Gardens

Geum
'Wet Kiss'
PP#27,227
\$0.20 royalty
2014 introduction
Garden Gems

A deeper colored red sport of 'Mai Tai', it has more vermilion to orange semi-double flowers. Red stems and buds grow to 18 inches. Full sun; rich moist soil.

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

Hosta
'Hasta Mañana'
PP#30,157
\$0.20 royalty
2017 introduction

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, Vitro Westland

Lamium
'Ghost'
maculatum
no royalty
2007 introduction

Mostly silvered foliage is what caught our eye on this *lamium*. Purple flower clusters fit right in with the silver. Full sun with moisture or part shade with well-drained soil. Extra vigorous groundcover.

■ Available from Cavano's, Dümmer, Green Leaf Nursery (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Stonehouse Nursery

Leucanthemum
'Daisy Duke'
PP#21,914, CAPBR#4,376,
EUPBR#37,707
superbum
exclusive license of
Daisy May® Shasta Daisy
2010 introduction

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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Four Star, Pleasant View, Walters Gardens



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

Think hardy mum but in a Shasta daisy. These 30-inch tall and wider plants have substance in the garden. Full sun; well-drained soil.

■ Available from Green Leaf (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings

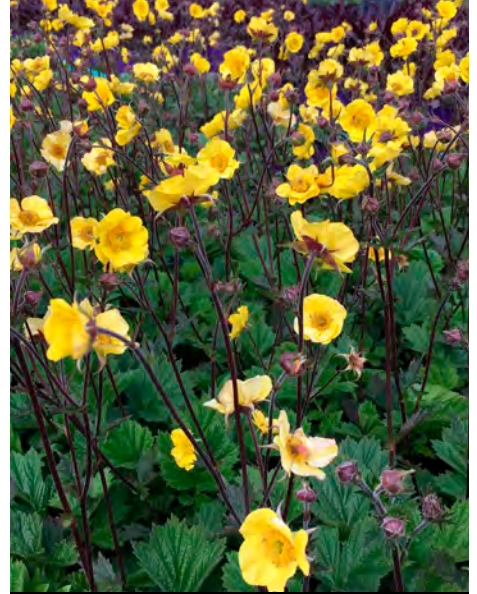




GEUM 'SEA BREEZE'
larger, wavy orange flowers



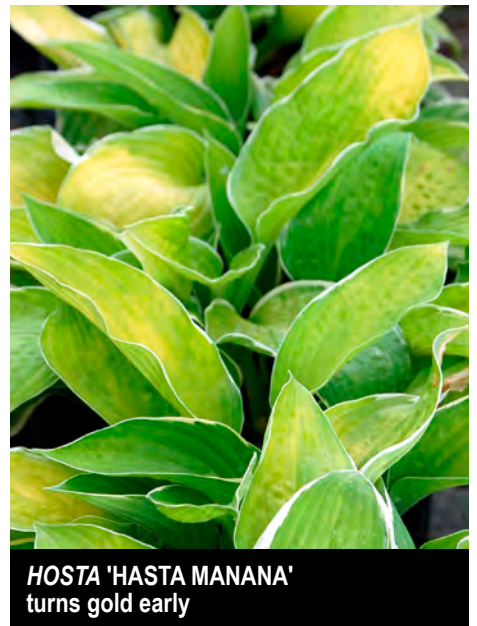
GEUM 'TEQUILA SUNRISE'
bicolor yellow and grenadine



GEUM 'TOP SHELF MARGARITA'
exceptional foliage, too



GEUM 'WET KISS'
an orange blend



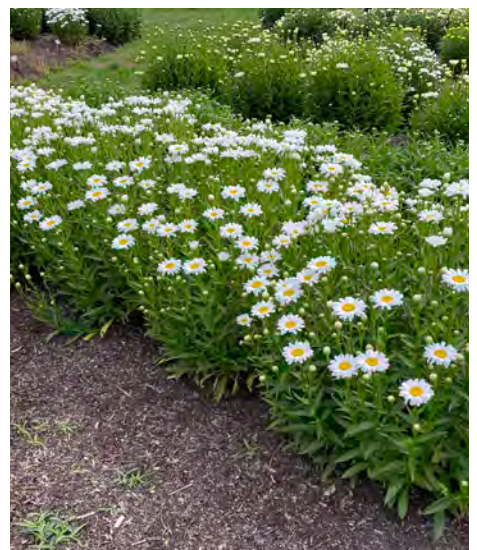
HOSTA 'HASTA MANANA'
turns gold early



LAMIUM 'GHOST'
vigorous silver plants



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



LEUCANTHEMUM 'FLOWER POWER'
larger and hardier



Liatris 'Trailblazer' is a dwarf version with extra thick blooms. Very showy in mass plantings.

Liatris
'Butterfly Magnet'
ligulistylis
no royalty
2018 introduction
Meadow Blazing Star

This seed strain is selected for a more reserved four-inch 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
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. Zones 4 to 9.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens

Ligularia
'Treasure Island'
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, Rijnbeek, Vitro Westland

Molinia
'Dutch Dreamer'
arundinacea
no royalty
2018 introduction
Tall Moor Grass

This medium-sized *molinia* still reaches six feet tall, so it's perfect for blending tall and small. Upright plants have golden yellow fall color, too.

■ Available from Intrinsic Perennial Gardens



Monarda
'Midnight Oil'
PP#34,354
bradburiana
\$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, Gulley, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, New Moon Nursery, Quality Cuttings

Panicum
'Dust in the Wind'
PPAF
virgatum
\$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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Microplant in 2024-25



Panicum
'Prairie Dog'
PP#32,736
virgatum
\$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.

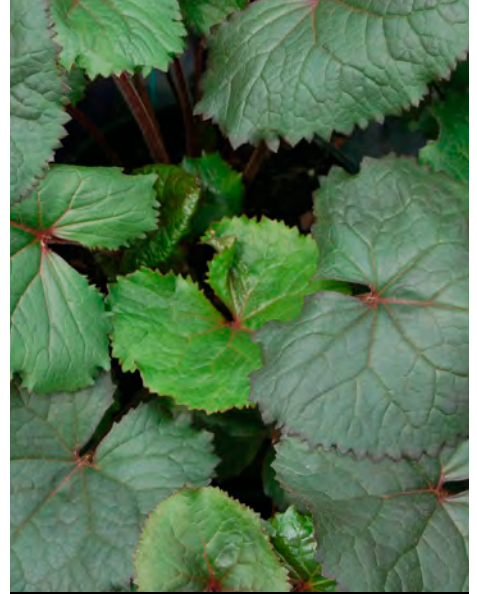
■ Available from Art Form, Briggs Nursery, Baker's Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JRT, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, New Moon Nursery, Norview Gardens, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood



LIATRIS 'BUTTERFLY MAGNET'
like magic



LIATRIS 'TRAILBLAZER'
dark, almost black stems



LIGULARIA 'TREASURE ISLAND'
exceptionally dark green foliage



MOLINIA 'DUTCH DREAMER'
upright with yellow fall color



MONARDA 'MIDNIGHT OIL'
clean bronzy leaves



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



PANICUM 'PRAIRIE DOG'
extra clean, upright silvered foliage



***Pennisetum* 'Ginger Love'** is an improvement over the popular 'Red Head' that I bred two decades ago. It has even more of the extra-thick red inflorescences.



***Pennisetum*
'Ginger Love'**
PP#26,442, E.U.
PBR#55,546

alopecuroides
\$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, Green Leaf Plants, Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Janus Gardens, JRT, Monrovia Growers, Plug Connection, Stonehouse Nursery

***Pennisetum*
'Lemon Squeeze'**
PP#34,634
alopecuroides
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 Walters Gardens



***Pennisetum*
'Love and Rockets'**
PP#33,035
alopecuroides
\$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, BNC, Exemplar Horticulture, Green Leaf Nursery (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, Meridian Young Plants, Norview Gardens, Poplar Ridge, Twixwood

***Pennisetum*
'Piglet'**
PP#19,074, EU
PBR# 32,991
alopecuroides
\$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, GET Group, Hoffman, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Norview Gardens, Samson Botanicals, Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood

***Pennisetum*
'Puppy Love'**
PP#30,973
alopecuroides
exclusive license
Fountain Grass

Same intermediate height as 'Ginger Love' with noticeably darker seed heads. Graceful, arching habit has medium to dark green foliage with burgundy accents. The darker red inflorescences show color in late summer and continue until frost. Since this is not a sterile variety, make sure to deadhead seed heads.

■ Available from Walters Gardens



***Pennisetum*
'Pure Energy'**
PP#34,606
alopecuroides
\$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, JRT, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, JAO Nursery, Norview Gardens

***Pennisetum*
'Red Head'**
alopecuroides
no royalty
2003 introduction
Fountain Grass

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
\$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 '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 'PUPPY LOVE'
a smaller ginger red



PENNISETUM 'PURE ENERGY'
bright gold foliage, too!



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



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



Polygonatum 'Prince Charming' has bright blue berries in the autumn for wildlife.

Pennisetum
'Water to Wine'
PP#35,189
alopecuroides
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 Green Leaf Nursery (Aris)



Pennisetum
'Yellow Ribbons'
PP#31,362
alopecuroides
\$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 Emerald Coast Growers, Green Leaf Nursery (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Poplar Ridge Nursery, Twixwood

Penstemon
'Pocahontas'
PP#24,804
digitalis
\$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, Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, New Moon Nursery, Quality Cuttings, Skagit Gardens, Stonehouse Nursery, Twixwood, Vitro Westland, Walla Walla Nursery

Phlox
'Mr. Blue Sky'
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
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



Polemonium
'Soft Rain'
reptans
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

Polygonatum
'Prince Charming'
PP#22,304
\$0.25 royalty
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



Pycnanthemum
'Smokey Mountain Mint'
PPAF
\$0.18 royalty
2024 introduction

One of our most exciting new 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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens





PENSTEMON 'POCAHONTAS'
purple-pink flowers with purple foliage



PENNISETUM 'WATER TO WINE'
nearly black flowers



PENNISETUM 'YELLOW RIBBONS'
vigorous plants with fine gold foliage



PHLOX 'MR. BLUE SKY'
cool color range



POLEMONIUM 'HEAVEN SCENT'
long lived and smells like grapes



POLEMONIUM 'SOFT RAIN'
softer blue flowers



POLYGONATUM 'PRINCE CHARMING'
easy and vigorous



PYCNANTHEMUM 'SMOKEY MOUNTAIN MINT'
pollinator friendly



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

Rudbeckia 'American Gold Rush' does not have problems with the *septoria* blight that affects certain regions. The fine thin hairs on its leaves keep the spores from settling on the tissues of the leaf. If you liked the stands of black-eyed Susan you had with 'Goldsturm', come back to 'American Gold Rush'.

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, Battlefield Farms, Blooming Nursery, Creek Hill Nursery, Danziger, Emerald Coast Growers, Express Seed, Gardenworld, GET Group, Green Leaf Plants, Green Trade Horticulture, 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, Walters Gardens



Rudbeckia
'Glitters Like Gold'
 PP#30,933
 \$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, Green Trade Horticulture, Hortech, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Twixwood

Rudbeckia
'Green-Eyed Lady'
 PPAF
 \$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 plants have stems to 30 inches tall above thin-leaved rosettes of foliage. Full sun; average to dry soil.

- Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, Quality Cuttings

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

Sprays of smaller yellow flowers are easy on the eyes when they begin in July. Noticeably thinner and disease resistant blooms are also refreshing in their strongly basal arrangement. Hairy green stems grow 18 inches, plus or minus depending on the soil. Smaller black cones, mostly around a half inch wide, are nice, too. Overall it's upright, smaller, and lighter both in presence and in color. Full sun; well-drained soil.

- Available from Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Microplant, North Creek Nurseries

Salvia
'Golden Delicious'
 PP#17,977
elegans
 exclusive license
 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 Four Star, Pleasant View



Salvia
'Sixteen Candles'
 PP#33,133
nemorosa
 \$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, Creek Hill Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Twixwood

Sanguisorba
'Plum Drops'
 PPAF
 \$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, Green Trade Horticulture, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Stonehouse Nursery



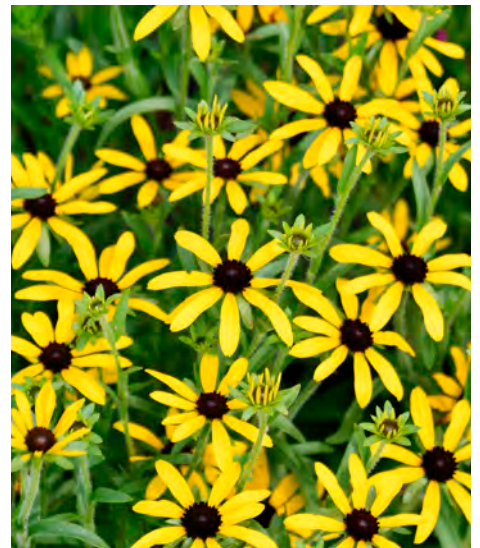
RUDBECKIA 'AMERICAN GOLD RUSH'
easy to propagate, grow, and garden



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



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



Schizachyrium 'Sandhill' has extra-wide, powder blue foliage.



Schizachyrium 'Jazz'
scoparium
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, New Moon Nursery, Twixwood

Schizachyrium 'Little Red Fox'
PPAF
scoparium
\$0.20 royalty
2023 introduction
Little Bluestem

Bushy, vigorous plants on the shorter side of little bluestem grow 24 to 30 inches tall. Spring color is gray and green, quickly deepening and turning to the red side in mid-to-late summer. Strongly basal foliage with thin wiry stems changes from green to silver to red by fall. An exciting addition to the short end of grasses. Full sun; most any soil but wet.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Green Leaf Nursery (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Kurt Bluemel, Microplant, New Moon Nursery

Schizachyrium 'Sandhill'
PPAF
scoparium
\$0.20 royalty
2023 introduction
Little Bluestem

Upright powder blue plants land on the tall side of little bluestem, reaching four feet tall. Foliage is wider, too. Fall color leans to creamy orange and purple with a wide range of seasonal colors. Full sun; average to dry soil.

■ Available from Baker's Nursery, Emerald Coast Growers, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Microplant, New Moon Nursery

Scirpus 'Stars and Stripes'
PPAF
\$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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Microplant



Sedum Autumn Charm™
aka 'Lajos'
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
\$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, Emerald Coast Growers, GET Group, Hinsdale, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Stonehouse Nursery, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood



Sedum 'Cutting Edge'
PP#28,926
ellacombianum
\$0.10 royalty
2016 introduction
Stonecrop

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, Green Leaf Plants, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Swift Greenhouses, Vitro Westland



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



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



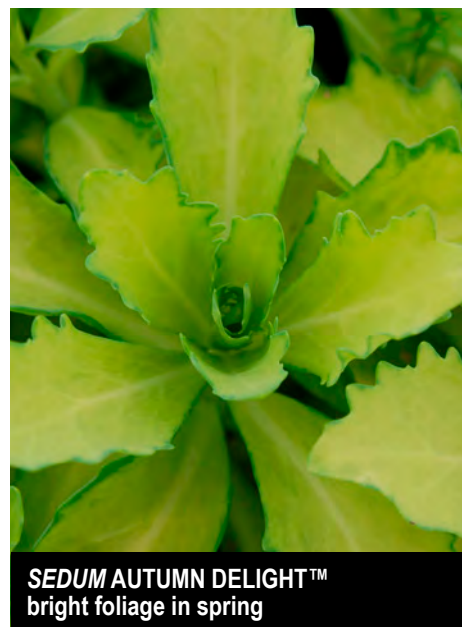
SCHIZACHYRIUM 'SANDHILL'
wider foliage, range of fall colors



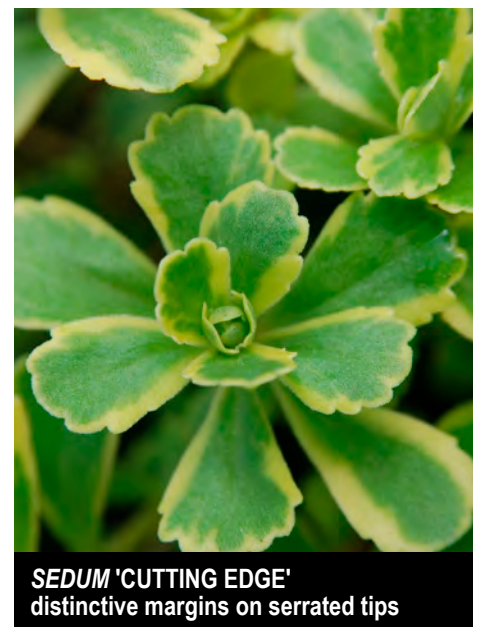
SCIRPUS 'STARS AND STRIPES'
striped green and yellow



SEDUM AUTUMN CHARM™
a variegated 'Autumn Joy'



SEDUM AUTUMN DELIGHT™
bright foliage in spring



SEDUM 'CUTTING EDGE'
distinctive margins on serrated tips



Sedum 'Nerds' is a light-hearted take on *sedum* groundcovers. The emerging buds look a lot like the candy.

Sedum
'Lime Joy'
PP#32,135
\$0.20 royalty
2019 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

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 Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Twixwood

Sedum
'Nerds'
album
no royalty
2020 introduction
Stonecrop

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, Quality Cuttings

Sedum
'Peace and Joy'
PP#30,858
\$0.15 royalty
2017 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

This 'Pure Joy' relative has a similar habit but with bicolor magenta and pink flowers in September. Along with the blooms, gray-green foliage takes on a reddish edge and purple stems, a very nice addition. Grows to one foot tall and 12-15 inches wide. Full sun; well drained soil. Resistant to Rhizoctonia.

■ Available from Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Pillow Talk'
PP#28,528
\$0.20 royalty
2016 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

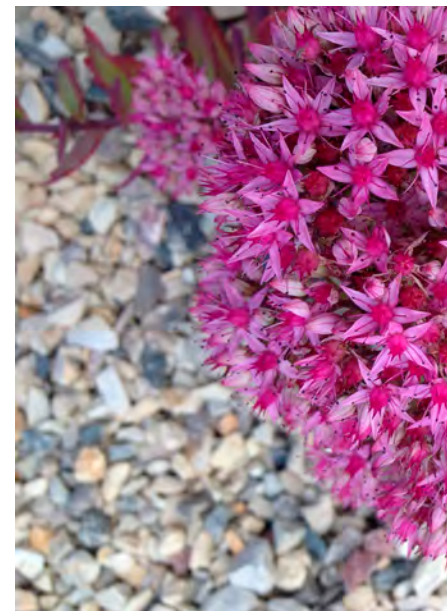
Substantial plants with hybrid vigor reach 18-24 inches tall and wide. Gray-green foliage is also larger, held on rose-colored stems, and at times can have reddish edges. Large five to six-inch flower heads of deep pink and magenta stand out from the crowd. Fall color of chartreuse and pink foliage,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

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

Sedum
'Pure Joy'
PP#24,194,
CAPBR#5340
exclusive license
2011 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

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



Sedum
'Rock Candy'
PP#34,767
spurium
\$0.10 royalty
2021 introduction
Two Row Stonecrop

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, Quality Cuttings

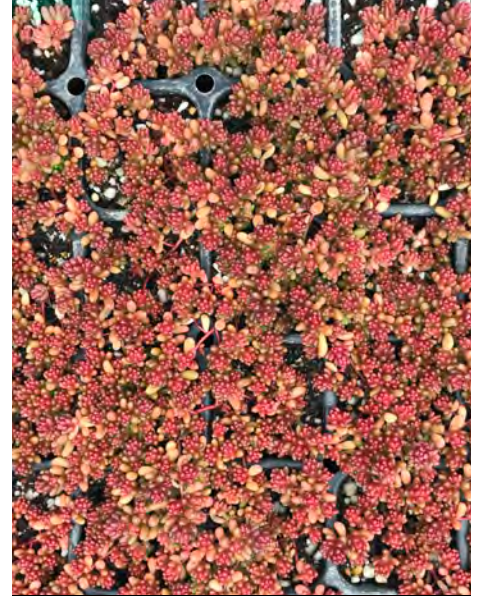
Sedum
'Rock Star'
PP#29,036
\$0.10 royalty
2016 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

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, Twixwood, Vitro Westland



SEDUM 'LIME JOY'
large bicolor heads



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



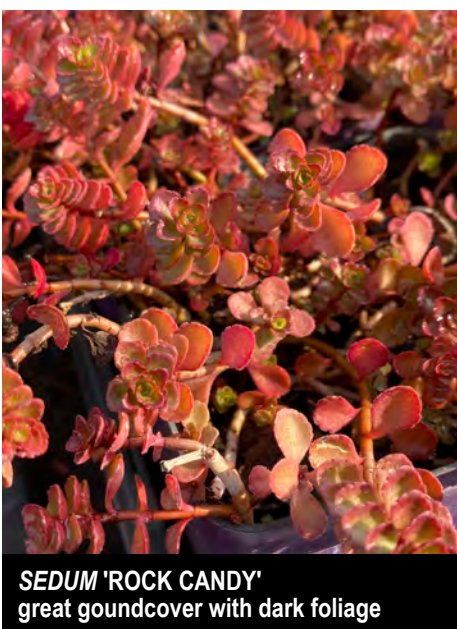
SEDUM 'PEACE AND JOY'
extra deep foliage and flowers



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



Stachys Summer series has two colors of blooms with a very nice garden habit.



Sedum
'Sunset Boulevard'
PP#32,697
\$0.20 royalty
2019 introduction
Showy Stonecrop

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, Twixwood, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Thundercloud'
PP#21,833,
EUPBR#33206
\$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, Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Midwest Groundcovers, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Skagit, Swift Greenhouses, Twixwood, Vitro Westland

Sedum
'Yellowstone'
PP#33,174
sexangulare
\$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 Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Quality Cuttings

Sesleria
'Tiny Dancer'
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
\$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 Blooming Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, North Creek Nurseries, Quality Cuttings

Stachys
'Summer Crush'
PP#29,899
\$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 Garden World, Green Leaf Plants (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, New Moon Nursery, Opel Growers, Quality Cuttings, Vitro Westland



Stachys
'Summer Romance'
PP#30,243
\$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 Green Leaf Plants (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Meridian Young Plants, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings, Vitro Westland



SEDUM 'SUNSET BOULEVARD'
great fall color, too



SEDUM 'THUNDERCLOUD'
clouds of white



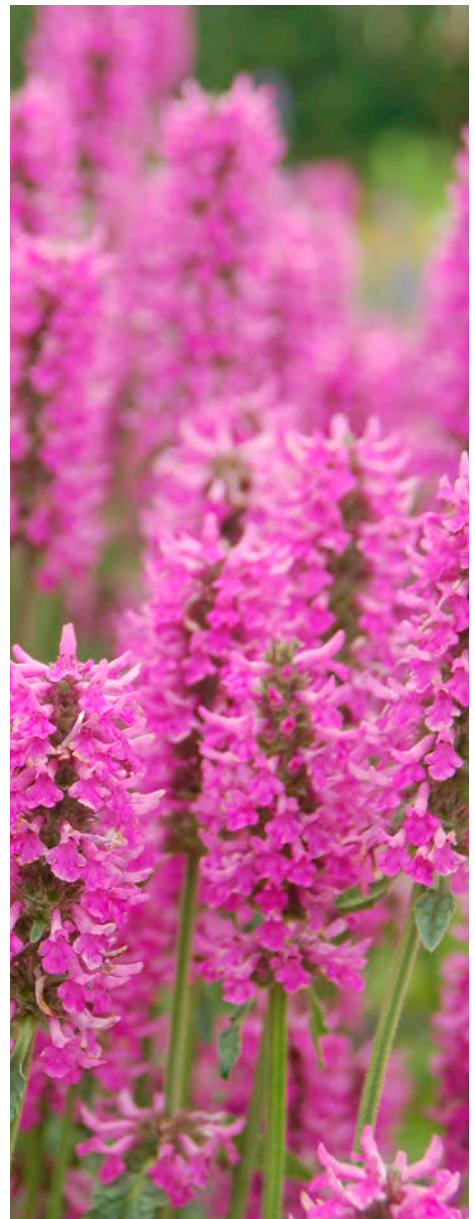
SEDUM 'YELLOWSTONE'
gold foliage in May



SESLERIA 'TINY DANCER'
a small spring bloomer



STACHYS 'SUMMER CRUSH'
vigorous pink and white flowers



STACHYS 'SUMMER ROMANCE'
softer color



SOLIDAGO 'SUGAR KISSES'
a great cut flower



**Vernonia
'Over My Head'**
no royalty
2024 introduction
Ironweed

Vernonia 'Southern Cross' has a strong vase shape to its habit, held in place with thick stems that keep it tidy.

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'**
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, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Kurt Bluemel, New Moon Nursery, Twixwood

**Veronica
'Kiss The Sky'**
PP#31,665
\$0.15 royalty
2016 introduction
Speedwell

This hybrid has traits from two of our previous intros. Slightly gray-green foliage gives it a very clean look throughout the season. Vigorous plants are taller, growing 24 inches plus with exceptionally long sky blue flower spikes beginning in mid-June. In late summer plants re-bloom but with deadheading the bloom can be nearly continuous. Full sun; well drained soil.

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



**Veronica
'Pure Silver'**
incana
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'**
PPAF
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 Green Leaf Nursery (Aris), Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Pioneer Gardens, Quality Cuttings

**Veronica
'Spike'**
PP#27,814
\$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 Green Leaf Nursery, Intrinsic Perennial Gardens, Twixwood

**Veronicastrum
'Queen of Diamonds'**
virginicum
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, Quality Cuttings, Twixwood



VERONIA 'OVER MY HEAD'
eight-foot stems



VERONIA 'SOUTHERN CROSS'
deep green foliage



VERONICA 'KISS THE SKY'
long sky blue flowers



VERONICA 'PURE SILVER'
extra clean silver foliage



VERONICASTRUM 'QUEEN OF DIAMONDS'
very upright plants



VERONICA 'SEASIDE'
thick blue flowers on larger plants



VERONICA 'SPIKE'
heavy bloom!



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