

Awesome Annuals

Alyssum Easter Bonnet Series WOW! Introducing a new colour 'Lemonade' (soft yellow) & 'Peach' (which is, well, peach).

Ageranthemum Angelic Series
New colours, new flower forms.

Ball Superior plants are very weather tolerant.

Angelina Archangel Series: Well branched, continuous bloomer with large flowers, 3 times bigger than the other varieties.

Bacopa Utopia Fuseables™

'Blutopia' & 'Snowtopia' Classy blend of two colours: pink & purple, & raspberry & white respectively. Nice for combination baskets.

Begonia 'Million Kisses' Most vigorous trailing begonia. Disease free. New variety is 'Amour' (Red), our favourite!

Calibrachoa Cabaret Series 'Pink Vein Star' A bicolor pink/soft yellow. Blooms stay open in darker areas.

Calibrachoa Superbells Star Power Series 'Cherry Star' is a standout! Hot pink with yellow stripe. Proven Winner.

Celosia 'Intenz' Vibrant purple, similar to 'Venezuelan'.

Ideal for combination planters.

Coleus 'Sultana' Deep burgundy leaves with chartreuse netting pattern. Use for cut foliage.

Coleus 'Wasabi' Serrated chartreuse leaves hold colour well in the heat.

Dahlia

- **Mystic Series** 20-28" vibrant single blooms with black foliage. A garden knockout!

- **XXL Series** Giant blooms on very compact plants. It will steal the show this year.

Gazania

- **New Day Series** More vibrant colours on shorter plants.

- **Sunbather Series** Double anemone-type flowers that stay open at night and in rainy weather.

Geranium

- **'Calliope Dark Red'** SIMPLY OUTSTANDING! New type of geranium with extremely deep blood red flowers that hold their colour. Semi-trailing habit with outstanding garden performance.

- **'Frenza Fire', 'Frenza Dark Red' & 'Frenza Hot Coral'** 12-14" plants with compact, mounding habit. Great for hanging baskets, containers or bedding.

Lobelia 'Magadi' Very heat tolerant blue with an eye

Lobularia 'Silver Stream' New, more compact than others and ideal for mixed hanging baskets, pots, for ground plantings.

Nasturtium 'Double Darjeeling Gold' & 'Hermie'



*Cherry Star Superbells
Photo: provenwinners.com*



*Suncatcher Pink Lemonade
Photo: ballbort.com*

Grashoff' Fully double & ideal for hanging baskets.

Osteospermum 3D Series World's first double osteo!

Stays open day & night. Pink, silver/purple.

Pansy Cool Wave Series Trailing to 30". Midsized blossoms. Very weather tolerant.

Petunia 'Suncatcher Pink Lemonade' A MUST HAVE! Pink/yellow combo ideal for containers.

Setcreasea 'Pink Stripe' Rich deep purple & hot pink. Ideal to blend with succulents. A real eye-popper!

'Sunpatiens' New Guinea Impatiens Will tolerate full sun or shade. Most resilient variety to date.

Perennial Perfection

Achillea 'Peachy Seduction' Peach-pink blooms mid-June to Aug. Shade to part shade. Drought tolerant. Zone 5.

Agastache 'Blue Boa' Unlike any other Agastache! Long, wide flower spikes all summer attract hummingbirds & butterflies. Drought tolerant. Zone 6

Agastache 'Bolero' Bronze foliage with vivid rose/purple flowers. Blooms midsummer 'til fall. Deer resistant. Attracts hummingbirds, butterflies & bees. Grows 16" x 16"

Alcea 'Fiesta Time' Stunning pink & white variegated carnation-like flowers. Rust resistant. Zone 6.

Alstroemeria 'Inca Ice' Grows 2-3' tall & wide. Long-flowering creamy yellow/apricot pink flowers. Zone 5.

Aralia cordata 'Sun King' Big, bold golden accent in the shade! Deciduous. Zone 3.

Baptisia Decadence Series All are Zone 4 & grow approximately 2' high by 3' wide. **'Dutch Chocolate'** offers velvety chocolate/purple flowers.

Brunnera 'King's Ransom' Grows 22-24". 'Jack Frost' with silver & gold flecks & creamy margins. Zone 3.

Centaurea 'Black Sprite' Grey green silvery leaves. Exotic silky, spidery burgundy/black flower petals. Zone 3.

Coreopsis:

- **'Big Bang'** Star cluster blooms. Long-blooming creamy white with purple edging.

- **'Cosmic Evolution'** 2-3" creamy white with magenta flowers. Long blooming period.

Cyclamen coum:

- **'Something Magic'** Stunning variegated silver-green leaves. Blooms Dec. to March. Zone 5.

- **'Magic Mirror'** Totally silver leaves & rose-pink blooms.

Cymbalaria muralis 'Snow Wave' First variegated 'Kennilworth Ivy'. Great in baskets & containers. 3" tall with 12" spread. Zone 5.

Echinacea:

- **Double Scoop Series** Grow 28-30". Well branched, sturdy, doubles. Look for both **'Orangeberry'** & **'Bubble Gum'**. Zone 4.

- **'Pow Wow White'** Like 'Wildberry' this is extremely vigorous & long flowering. Shorter growing with 3-4" pure white blooms. Zone 4.

- **'Quills 'n Thrills'** Novelty! Quilled petals, huge flowers, long blooming period. Zone 4.

- **'Raspberry Truffle'** Newest cone *factious* series. Perfumed, pompom form 4" flowers with unique strawberry/peach colouring.

- **'Solar Flare'** Grows 24-26" tall & wide with 5-6" deep magenta/red blooms. Perfumed.

- **Sombrero Series** Sturdy, compact plants in vibrant 'Salsa' reds, hot corals and sunny yellows. Zone 4.

Gypsophila 'Festive Star' Short 12-18" plants. Full, long blooming (spring through fall). Zone 3.

Helenium 'Tie Dye' First improved bicolor, 8-10" across. Hot pink & white blooms from mid-summer 'til fall. Zone 4.

Hemerocallis 'Primal Scream' One of the most sought after daylilies today! 7.5-8.5" long, tangerine/orange gold-dusted blooms with green throats. Proven Winner. Zone 3.

Heuchera 'Solar Flary' Compact. Rich burgundy foliage with lime edging. Zone 4.

Heucherella:

- **'Solar Eclipse'** Compact. Rich burgundy foliage with lime edging. Zone 4.

- **'Redstone Falls'** Trailing. Great for baskets, beds & containers. Copper in summer, red & brown in fall. Zone 4.

- **'Yellowstone Falls'** Trailing. Chartreuse leaves with deep crimson markings. Good for baskets, pots or ground cover. Zone 4.

Hosta 'Empress Wu' Largest hosta in existence... up to 4'! Thick, dark green leaves. Zone 3.

Kniphofia:

- **Glow Series** Small habit for small spaces. Short grassy foliage & massive blooms all summer. Zone 6.

- **Popsicle Series** Compact habit. Blooms summer-fall. Grassy foliage looks great all season. Zone 6.

Leucanthemum

- **'Daisy May'** Super compact. 12-20" tall & wide. Blooms from early to late summer & fall with some deadheading. Zone 5.

- **'Banana Cream'** Huge 4-5" lemon yellow flowers mature to cream. Blooms all summer long. Great disease resistance. 15-18". Zone 5.

- **'Victorian Secret'** Unique white ruffled flowers. Compact & one of a kind. Long lasting. Zone 5.

Leycesteria 'Jealousy' Fantastic chartreuse foliage. Ideal container perennial or accent in the sun. Zone 6.

Ligularia 'Bottle Rocket' Compact flower clusters like a yellow bouquet on 28-30" stems. Very floriferous, robust, with very serrated foliage. More heat tolerant. Zone 4.

Nepeta 'Limelight' Hot lime foliage & blue flowers! Low habit for borders. Drought tolerant & deer resistant. Zone 6.

Oregano 'Amethyst Falls' Like 'Kent Beauty' but more

vigorous with larger flowers that bloom mid-summer through fall. An eye popper ornamental! 15"x18". Zone 5.

Polygonatum 'Double Stuff' Variegated Solomon's Seal with double the white marginal markings. It is a real standout in the shade. Fragrant white flowers. Zone 3.

Rodgersia 'Bronze Peacock' Dark foliage in spring with rich dark pink blooms. Zone 6.

Rudbeckia

- **'Early Bird Gold'** 24". The best rudbeckia so far. Blooms two weeks earlier & blooms longer. Zone 4.

- **'Little Gold Star'** Miniature 'Goldsturm'. 14-16" tall with better fall foliage.

- **'Little Henry'** Quilled gold flowers all sum long. Zone 4.

- **'Little Suzy'** Another fabulous dwarf 'Goldsturm'. 12-14" tall.

Salvia

- **'Burgundy Candles'** 26" strong stems & long flowering.

- **'Endless Love'** Violet blue flowers. Strong 22" stems. Blooms for weeks & again if pinched back. Zone 3.

- **Lyrical Series** 22" strong branches. Blues & silver tones. Reblooms.

- **'Sweet 16'** Long rose/purple flowers, continues to bloom as this basal-branching variety puts out new growth & subsequent blooms.

Sedum 'Winky' Dwarf selection of 'Andrew's Pinky'.

Grey-green foliage topped by pink new growth. Zone 3.

Tradescantia Wow! White Angelic, Lucky Blue, Regal Purple, Sunshine Charm. Sturdy golden foliage with a wide range of new flower colors. Zone 5.

Voluptuous Vines

Clematis 'Bijou'™ First pot clematis that needs no trellis for support. Ideal for hanging baskets or patio containers. Deep blue flowers. Zone 4.

Clematis alpina 'Stolwijk Gold' First with gold foliage! Rich blue flowers in late spring. 10'. Zone 3.

Celastrus 'Autumn Revolution' Self fertile with huge orange berries well into late fall. Outstanding! Zone 4.

2012 Award Winners

AARS Rose Winner: 'Sunshine Daydream' (grandiflora).

Hosta of the Year: 'Liberty'

Perennial of the Year: *Brunnera macrophylla*

'Jack Frost'

National Garden Bureau:

Year of Geraniums, Year of Heuchera & Year of Herbs.

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Vigorous Veggies

Beet 'Chioggia Guardsman'
Unique & delicious. Candy striped root interior. Bolt resistant. Italian heirloom variety.

Bean:

- **'Gold 'n Green Mix'** Slender French beans. Delicious!
- **'Inspiration'** Very high quality French. Exceptionally tender eating quality in hot summer weather.



*Chioggia Guardsman Beet
Photo: westcoastseeds.com*

Broccoli Three new main season varieties: **'Green Magic'**, **'Emerald Jewel'** & **'Bay Meadows'**. All heat tolerant with amazing cutting quality.
Brussels Sprout 'Gustus' New hybrid from Europe with high quality sprouts.

Cabbage:

- **'Chinese Mini Tender Gold'** 42-50 days. Bright yellow interior & green exterior. Very uniform and sweet.
- **'Gold Mark'** 50 days. 6" heads, mild sweet flavour. Long harvesting.

Carrot:

- **'Crofton'** NEW! 8" high quality, high sugar content.
- **'Rainbow Mix'** 7-8", sweet & tender with high sugar content & unique coloring
- **'Tendersnax'** 6" bunching baby carrots. High quality.

Cauliflower 'Hermon' Newest and one of the best quality self-wraps.

Corn 'Field of Dreams' Unique bicolor ornamental corn with green & white contrasting foliage. Ideal for containers.

Cucumber 'Diomede' 9" long, sweet slicer with great disease tolerance.

Flower Sprouts And now for something completely different! This new novel class of vegetable is a cross between Brussels Sprouts & Kale! They resemble colourful rosettes that grow along the stalks. These, mild, tender, bicolor green and purple veggies 'flower' like Red Russian kale. Steam, sauté, roast or stir fry them.

Leeks 'Belton', 'Vitaton', & 'Matisse' 3 new hybrid main season varieties with long white shafts. Easier peeling & very uniform.

Lettuce Simply Salad 'Alfresco Mix', 'City Garden Mix', 'Global Gourmet Mix', 'Bistro Salad Blend' All gourmet flavoured blends with exotic leaf shapes, colors & textures.
Lettuce 'Skyphos' New Boston Red. Bolt tolerant in the heat & excellent eating quality.

Onion 'Trekker' Large sweet globes that harvest early & keep well for a very long time! **Kelsae's** still a favourite!

Peppers Container Varieties:

- **'Basket of Fire'** Cascading plants smothered in spicy, hot peppers
- **'Cute Stuff Red'** 62 days. Mini bell green to red. Ideal for

stuffing. Yield is 3 times more than other peppers.

- **'Habanero Red'** Hottest pepper ever! At 1,359,000 Scoville Units this is searing! (Habanero is 300,000 units). Matures in 95-100days. Handle with care.
 - **'New Loco'** Highly decorative egg shaped, medium hot, spicy. Great for salads & vegetable medleys.
 - **'Sweet Heat'** Compact, bushy plant is earliest to bear fruit. Sweet, mild & spicy. Ideal for salsa.
- Potato 'Mr. Potato F1'** (Zolushka) 110 days. Good yields. Round/oval potatoes with excellent storage. From seed.
- Spinach 'Imperial Green'** Asian leaf type. Erect habit with long stems & dark green leaves. 55 days.
- Squash 'Celebration Orange Acorn'** Tasty! 40% higher soluble sugar content.



*Berries Galore
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Strawberry:

- **'Berri Basket'** New! Hot pink flowers with large, full flavoured berries
 - **'Berries Galore' F1** (Ball) Pink, rose & white flowers with large fruit
 - **'Temptation'** Runnerless & compact. Sweet, deep red 2" fruit.
- Tomato**
- **'Supersteak Hybrid'** 80 days. Fruit up to 2 lbs! VFN The one-slice-on-a-sandwich tomato.

- **'Ramblin' Gold Stripes'** 1.5 to 3 oz. Red fruit with gold stripes. Trailing-good for containers.
- **'Ramblin' Red Stripes'** 1-1.5 oz. Gold fruit with red stripes. For containers.
- **'Megabite'** 4-6 oz. Fruits. Very sweet. Grows 16-20". Ideal for containers.
- **'Defiant'** NEW! Blight resistant tomato. Delicious 5-7 oz. fruit. Beefsteak-like texture.

BOOST Series Burpee's 'Nutritious Collection'. These new introductions are all higher in antioxidants (including Beta-carotene, Vitamin C, Lutein, Carotenoids, Anthocyanins & Lycopene) than other varieties. They are tasty & truly unique! Look for: **Cucumber 'Gold Standard', Pepper 'Sweet Heat', 'Healing Hands' Salad Mix & Tomatoes 'Cherry Punch', 'Power Pops' & 'Solar Power'.**

Fantastic Fruits

Blueberry 'Pink Lemonade' First pink blueberry. A little taller. Very sweet berries. Nice addition to the fruit garden. Zone 4.

Haskap Ionicera caerulea Also known as Honeyberries. These amazingly hardy, fast growing & high yielding fruits are originally from Siberia. They are early to produce & have excellent flavour. Sweet fruit is like blueberries but with a much higher antioxidant level. A pollinizer is required. All zone 3.

- **'Borealis'** Larger fruit, more delicate skin than 'Tundra'. Sweet-tart flavour. Vigorous bushy growth.

- **'Tundra'** Very good tangy-sweet flavour, durable skin. Not as bushy as 'Borealis' but grows longer.
- **'Cinderella'** Nice large berries on a slightly smaller plant. Fruit is good fresh or in jams & jellies. Pollinator.
- **'Berry Blue'** Can be used to pollinate the others.

Dwarf Cherries

- **'Carmine Jewel'** A black cherry with small pits & good sized fruit. Highly productive.
- **Romance Series Cherry** Dwarf cherries growing only 7-8' tall & producing sour cherries. Zone 3.
- **'Romeo'** Deep black red. Ripens a little later. Best for juice.
- **'Valentine'** Bright red. Very tart pie cherry.

Introducing the world's first **Thornless Raspberry!** Part of the **'Brazzleberry' Collection.** Imagine Raspberries in a pot all summer! Stay tuned for more detail.

Happenin' Herbs

Basil Fairyherbs Collection @ This entire collection is perfect for outdoor growing & both leaves & flowers can be used. Regular leaf size unless otherwise noted.

- **'Dark Lady'** Dark purple leaf, sweet-spicy taste. Excellent for tea.
- **'Green Super Globe'** Smaller green leaf. Fruity-spicy.
- **'Harlekin'** Bi-colour leaf, very full flavour
- **'Ajaka'** Green leaf, sweet-spicy flavour
- **'Habana'** Small green leaf, aromatic taste
- **'Green Fortune'** Large green leaves, very spicy taste
- **'Wild Color'** Bi-colour with spicy-aromatic flavour
- **'Wild Red'** Green-purple leaves, aromatic-spicy taste
- **'Red Ball'** Purple leaves, aromatic taste
- **'Lhasa'** Smaller purple leaves, anise-like flavour

Glorious Grasses

Arundinaria donax 'Peppermint Stick' WOW! Broad variegation. The absolute showpiece of a container or as a ground specimen. 2' tall. Zone 6.

Carex 'Ice Cream' A sport of carex 'Evergold' with almost pure white appearance with tiny green center. Zone 6.

Hakonechloa 'Fubuki' White and green variegated with pink stripes in cool weather. Zone 5.

Pennisetum 'Cherry Sparkler' Similar to the new white & green 'Skyrocket' but with a pink blush on the foliage and burgundy red plumes. Annual grass (Zone 9).
Pennisetum r. 'Princess Molly' Dramatic tricolour foliage (olive green, purple, purple-black) & compact growing to 20" (Zone 9).



*Cherry Sparkler
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Brian Minter's Picks Exciting New Plants for 2012

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Super Shrubs (Deciduous)

Caryopteris 'L'il Miss Sunshine' Compact variety to 3'x3'. Golden foliage contrasts nicely with vibrant blue flowers. Zone 5

Cercis 'The Rising Sun' 12'x8'. Great tree for small gardens. Amazing foliage: rosy/apricot matures to golden tangerine by summer.

Daphne trans. 'Eternal Fragrance' 3'x3'. Compact, semi-evergreen with pink buds turning into very fragrant white blooms on new growth late spring 'til early fall. Dark green foliage. Needs rich, well-drained soil. Zone 6.

Gardenia 'Crown Jewel' First Zone 6 variety that will tolerate our winter conditions. Fragrant double white. Heavy bloomer on compact 3'x3' plants. Little or no pruning.

Hydrangea pan. 'Bombshell' 3'x4'. Very compact white. Long bloom time (summer 'til frost) with more flowers per plant than other P.G.'s. Low maintenance! Zone 3.

Hydrangea pan. 'Vanilla Strawberry' 7'x5'. Loose, triangular shaped blooms start white aging to pink, red, & russet tones. Midsummer to early fall. Zone 3.

Hydrangea mac. 'Pistachio' Ball's 'Next Generation Collection'. WOW! Unique multicoloured flowers re-bloom for a kaleidoscope of colour over long blooming period. Grows 3'x5'. Zone 5.

Hydrangea mac. Double Delights 'Wedding Gown' 3'x5'. Early to bloom & goes 'til frost. Double white lacecap suitable for shade gardens. Container plant! Zone 5.

Ligustrum 'Sunshine' 5'x5'. Broad leaved. Vibrant, dense-great for border or low hedge. Sterile cultivar. Grow in full sun. Zone 6.

Physocarpus 'Amber Jubilee' 5'x6'. New growth takes on shades of yellow-orange, maturing to lime green then purple in fall. Bears button-like white blooms. Zone 3.

Physocarpus 'Little Devil' 3'x4'. Very unique compact variety with tiny burgundy leaves contrasting nicely with button-like pink-white blooms. Zone 3.

Pieris 'Passion Frost' 5'x3'. Pendulous, six inch long rosy red flowers on variegated foliage. Great disease resistance. Zone 5.

Weigela

- **'My Monet Sunset'** 1'x1.5'. Colourful gold-red foliage & soft pink blooms. Zone 5.
- **'Rainbow Sensation'** 4'x4'. Compact-soft pink flowers in May. Pretty variegated foliage. Zone 4.
- **'Shining Sensation'** 5'x5'. Pink blooms May & June. Rich, dark shiny foliage will take the sun. Its arching habit is a lovely feature! Zone 5.