



2023 RSBG Spring Plant Catalog

The RSBG is pleased to announce the return of [online ordering](#) and our latest selection of *Rhododendron* species, hybrids and companion plants. We provide the finest and largest selection of documented and verified as true to name clones of *Rhododendron* species in North America. We also offer a large selection of species grown from seed, the majority of these from wild populations. Seedlings provide an exciting opportunity to acquire taxa new to cultivation and to grow those desirable species that are not readily produced through asexual propagation. Our ever-expanding collection of non-rhododendrons or “companion plants” provides the opportunity to acquire an outstanding range of rare and hard to find treasures selected from around the world.

Your purchases directly fund the mission of the Rhododendron Species Foundation (RSF). We hope you enjoy the catalog and are happy with the plants you receive.

Thank you for your support!

Steve Hootman, Executive Director & Curator

Please Note Changes for International Orders:

Shipment to Canada: Plants may be shipped to Victoria International Airport via [Seawings Express](#). Plants must be picked up by the customer from Victoria International Airport. Please see below for details.

We are resuming the Canadian order pick-up at the garden. The date we have scheduled for this is **March 25** from **1-2pm**. During this time, we will have a WSDA inspector on-site to issue a phytosanitary certificate for your order and the additional plants you might purchase from the sales area. All international orders must be placed via mail, fax, or e-mail.

How to Order Plants:

Online Ordering: Visit <https://rhodygarden.org/plant-catalog/> to shop and pay for your order on our website. You will be charged for your plants and shipping (if applicable) when you submit your order. Online orders must be placed at least three business days before the desired shipping date.

Mail Orders: Please mail your order form to RSF, P.O. Box 3798, Federal Way, Washington 98063-3798 USA.

Fax Orders: You may also fax your order form to 253-838-4686. Please include your credit card information on the order form if sent via fax.

E-mail Orders: You may submit your completed order form via orders@rhodygarden.org but please do not e-mail your credit card information. Call 253-838-4646 to submit your credit card information.

How to Change Your Order: If you would like to change or cancel your order, please email us at Orders@RhodyGarden.org at least 3 business days before the scheduled shipping date.

Order Minimum: There is a \$50 order minimum to ship plants.
There is no minimum purchase requirement for plant pick up.

Members: Members get more! See below for plant ordering perks. Not a member yet? [Join online!](#)

- Members are given early access to the catalog, meaning that they are more likely to receive all the plants that they order. This benefit applies to our biannual catalogs.
- Associate Members—those members who are affiliated with the RSBG through another organization such as an ARS chapter, must submit their orders through their Associate group, one order per group.
- The higher the level of membership, the bigger the perk. Members giving \$250 or more receive the earliest access to the catalog – a full week before general Members. Eligible Membership levels:
 - Sustaining
 - Patron
 - Benefactor

Non-Members:

- Non-Members will receive access to the catalog after the early Member release.

Key Dates

Catalog Opens to Upper-Level Members (Sustaining, Patron, and Benefactor): Wednesday, January 11

Catalog Opens to All Members: Wednesday, January 18

Catalog Opens to Everyone: Wednesday, January 25

Plant Shipping Dates (Domestic): 1/30 (*Member orders only*), 2/6, 2/13, 2/27, 3/6, 3/20, 4/3, 4/17, and 5/1

Plant Shipping Date (International): Monday, March 27

Plant Pick Up Dates: 2/18 and 2/19 (*Member orders only*), 3/11 and 3/12, 3/25 and 3/26, 4/8 and 4/9, 4/22 and 4/23, and 5/6 and 5/7

Canadian Pick Up Date: Saturday, March 25 (WSDA Inspector onsite 1-2pm)

Deadline for Canadian Orders: Wednesday, March 15

Deadline for Domestic Orders: Wednesday, April 26

Plant Pick-Up

Plant pick-up is available as an alternative to shipping. Customer must choose one of seven pick-up dates during the checkout process of online ordering OR note the pick-up date of their choice on their paper order form.

Plant Pick Up Dates: 2/18 and 2/19 (*Member orders only*), 3/11 and 3/12, 3/25 and 3/26, 4/8 and 4/9, 4/22 and 4/23, and 5/6 and 5/7

Canadian Pick Up Date: 3/25 (WSDA Inspector onsite 1-2pm)

Plants must be picked up between the hours of 10am and 4pm. Plant orders will be located by the Visitor Center on our plant holding tables. The Visitor Center attendant will assist you with pick-up.

Shipping and Payment

All orders will receive a confirmation of receipt.

Online Orders – All online customers are required to pay for their plants and shipping (if applicable) at the time that the order is placed. We accept major credit cards through our secure online store. Online orders must be placed at least three business days before the desired shipping date.

Paper/Fax/Emailed Orders - Customers are required to provide their credit card information at the time that an order is submitted. Please call our office at 253-838-4646 to provide your credit card information (or include your credit card information on your mailed or faxed form). We accept MasterCard and Visa bankcards. Payment information must be provided for your order to be processed. You will not be charged for your order until it is shipped or picked up in person.

A receipt will be included with your plants. The receipt will show the plant subtotal, plus shipping and handling charges. For shipments within Washington State, sales tax will be added to the plant subtotal and shipping cost.

Shipping to Canada via Seawings Express

For customers able to pick up their plants at the Victoria International Airport:

We have had many requests to ship plants to Canada in the past, but we have not been able to do so due to the difficulty in customs and the extremely high shipping costs. However, we may have a possible solution to this problem—the use of a broker. Please note that this service is only possible for customers able to pick up their order at Victoria International Airport.

Seawings Express is a company that specializes in cross-border shipping. They have an office in Blaine, Washington, as well as their main office in Victoria International Airport. Here is what we will do if you wish to order plants from us:

- Place your order using the order form on our website. We cannot accept orders through our online store as it is not set up for international shipping. **Be sure to let us know on your order form that you would like to use Seawings Express.**
- Contact [Seawings Express](https://www.seawings.ca/) (visit <https://www.seawings.ca/> for specific instructions) prior to the shipping date to let them know that your package is coming. This contact information is crucial since they will reach out to you as soon as your package arrives at customs at the Victoria

International Airport. The cost for their service is explained on their website; Seawings Express will charge you separately for the shipment of plants to Victoria International Airport. Please note:

- As the customer, you are responsible for working with Seawings to ensure that the package is sent from Blaine to Victoria International Airport, and you are required to maintain communication with Seawings Express about pick up.
 - Seawings Express will not re-pack the package.
 - We will put the phytosanitary certificate on the outside of the box so it will be accessible at the time of the pick-up
 - They will not ship the package to your home. It must be picked up in person at the Victoria International Airport.
- On March 27, we will ship your order to Seawings Express in Blaine, WA. They will export the package to Canada Customs in Victoria International Airport. On the day of the shipping, we will send you an invoice via e-mail since this will be required at the time of the pick-up. We will charge your credit card on this day as well. Below is what will be charged.
 - Phytosanitary certificate \$40
 - Shipping and Handling fee to Blaine, WA
 - Total cost of the plants you ordered
 - Once you hear from Seawings Express that your package has arrived, head to the Seawings office at the Victoria International Airport (location can be found at <https://www.seawings.ca/>). Be sure to bring a copy of your invoice. You will receive the Bill of Landing slip and the phytosanitary certificate (Be sure to ask for this, most customers do not require this so they may forget to give this to you) from the Seawings office first, then head to customs. At customs, you will pay GST and PST (on plant cost only).

We will not take responsibility once the package leaves our nursery, unless there is a problem with shipping to Blaine, WA.

Please note that *Pleione*, *Juniperus*, and *Vaccinium* are not allowed to be shipped to Canada. If you have any questions, please contact Atsuko at atsuko@rhodygarden.org. Thank you for supporting the RSBG.

The Plants

You may order as many as desired of each selection. All plants are healthy and generally two to three years old in a standard one-gallon container, excluding those with a B following the price (\$8.00-B for example). These selections are generally one or two years old from a cutting or seed in a three-inch square pot, six inches deep (a "Band pot") and priced lower accordingly.

Other than the seedlings, our plants are vegetatively propagated from verified species growing in our collection. They are usually 2-4 years old and growing on their own roots unless otherwise indicated. Seedlings cannot be guaranteed to be always correctly named but every effort is made to provide the proper identification.

Alternates: We will not substitute plants without your authorization. Please list your alternate selections on the order form if you will accept substitutions.

Guarantee

Plants are guaranteed to be in good health when shipped and true to name; however, the authenticity of seedlings from wild collected sources cannot be guaranteed.

Packing and shipping may damage tender shoots. ***We are not responsible for damage in transit. In the event of breakage or loss, please enter claims with the carrier and notify us immediately. If you are not satisfied with your plants for any reason, please call or fax the RSF office WITHIN THREE (3) DAYS OF RECEIVING YOUR ORDER. We want you to be happy with your Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden ordering experience.***

Understanding the Descriptions

All plants have been propagated and grown at the Rhododendron Species Botanical Garden, either from cuttings, grafts or seed. The format used in the descriptions is as follows:

Species name—in large italic type. Some species names may be followed by “affinity”. This means that this particular accession or seedlot shows an obvious relationship to the species listed but does not quite fit the description.

Species description—may include size, flower color, habit, geographic distribution in the wild, etc.

Cultural Information—A set of three numbers enclosed within parentheses. *The first is the hardiness rating in Fahrenheit degrees. This gives an approximation of the lowest temperature the plant can withstand without substantial damage. (See hardiness note below.) The second number R1, R2 or R3, is the ease of cultivation rating. This is a system developed here at the RSBG to provide the average gardener with a quick and easy method of selecting the appropriate plant material.*

R1—easy and reliable using standard methods of cultivation

R2—easy if certain specific cultural requirements are met; these are usually given in the general description (“sharp drainage” or “requires shade” for example)

R3—can be difficult even for the experienced grower

The *third number* is the approximate *height in ten years from a two-year old plant*. This is estimated using the average rate of growth for that particular clone (or species) under typical garden conditions.

A Note on Hardiness—Average annual minimum temperature is generally accepted as the key factor in determining the hardiness of a plant, but there are other important factors such as moisture levels, age of the specimen, health, exposure, snow cover and soils. Thus, the minimum temperature given for an accession should be used only as a rough guideline to whether or not it will thrive in a given locale. Many of the minimum temperatures given are estimations based on data available in the literature (often from Great Britain) and our own observations here at the garden. We would like to be able to provide a more accurate hardiness rating for each species and individual clone. You can help by providing us with any information on cold and/or heat damage and tolerance observed in your climate and under your various growing conditions.

Accession (clonal) or seedlot number—this is designated either with the accession number in boldface (for clonally propagated material) — **1964/012** for example; or with a seedlot number in boldface (for seedlings) — **351sd2003** for example.

Price—Price per plant, in U.S. dollars. Note that a “B” following the dollar amount indicates a band pot (3-inch) instead of our standard one-gallon container.

Key to Icons



Adaptable & Easy



Fall Color



New




Fragrant




Steve's Picks

DWARF AND SMALLER-GROWING SPECIES

___ ***changii*** JN#11029 A very recently introduced species. This is a relatively hardy and dwarf *Maddenia* with yellow flowers and beautiful foliage. It is close relative of the more familiar *R. valentinianum* and the also recently introduced *R. valentinioides* but from a completely different region and with a very distinct appearance. As seen in the wild this is a fairly compact shrub with smooth and peeling reddish-brown bark and smooth and glossy leaves to about 1.5 inches in length. These have a prominent ciliate margin and are quite attractive. The funnel-shaped flowers appear in clusters of three to four and range from a pale to deep yellow. Found growing with the rhododendrons *platypodum*, *ochraceum* and *longipes* so should be hardy. (0\1\2) RSBG#240sd2012 \$29.00 


___ ***charitopes* ssp. *tsangpoense*** Dwarf and mounding shrubs with glossy dark green leaves covered with a white coating of wax beneath. Smooth and peeling, red-brown bark and delicate purplish flowers in mid-spring. Best in light shade, a choice dwarf shrub with beautiful flowers, foliage and bark. (0\1\3) RSBG#1973/286 \$18.00

___ ***cinnabarinum* ssp. *xanthocodon* (Concatenans Group)** Beautiful blue-green and fragrant foliage on mounding, dome-shaped plant. The flowers of Concatenans Group typically range from apricot to chrome yellow but this form with vermilion flowers. These flaring bell-shaped trumpets contrast perfectly with the bluish foliage in mid-spring. A very ornamental plant with striking flowers and a compact, bushy habit. Best in light shade. (0\1\3) RSBG#1982/161 \$29.00


___ ***degronianum*** "Chi Chi Bu" Fine foliage on this named form we received from Warren Berg. Our first offering of this accession about which I have very little information other than it has a thin plastered indumentum. (-15\1\3) RSBG#1987/025 \$23.00 


___ ***glaucophyllum* var. *glaucophyllum* forma *alba*** BLM# A compact and mounding species with fragrant glossy foliage with a pure white lower surface, smooth and peeling red-brown bark and white bells in spring – very nice. The rarely offered pure white-flowered form of this normally pink species. (0\1\3) RSBG#2002/089 \$21.00


___ ***glaucophyllum* var. *tubiforme*** KCSH#0337 Fragrant glossy foliage with a pure white lower surface, smooth and peeling red-brown bark and pink bells in spring – very nice. From seed collected in the wild, this variety of this widespread Himalayan species is rarely seen in gardens. Sun or shade. Fantastic bark and foliage on this relatively dwarf species. (0\1\3) RSBG#537sd2003 \$19.00


___ ***groenlandicum*** The common and widespread native "*Ledum*" of northern North America. This species is found in bogs and wet forests where it forms a dense dwarfish evergreen shrub with the stems and narrow leaves covered with long red-brown hairs. The small white flowers are borne in dense rounded heads looking like golf balls when in full bloom. Grown from seed collected in the wild right here in western Washington. (-25\1\3) RSBG#190sd2019 \$14.00 

___ ***hanceanum* (Nanum Group)** A very dwarf and compact plant with shiny foliage and cream flowers in mid-spring. Forms a very tight and compact mound with the bonus of bronzy new growth. Best in light shade. (0\1\2) RSBG \$24.00

___ ***hippophaeoides*** 'Haba Shan' Rounded to somewhat erect-growing evergreen shrubs with small and elliptic, glaucous pale green leaves. Deep lavender-blue flowers in small clusters in mid-spring, often re-blooming in the autumn. This is one of the best of the lapponicas for all-around garden use. It grows a bit larger than most of its close relatives but is still dwarf enough for a rock garden or the smaller urban garden. Very floriferous and easily grown, tolerant of wetter soils (with drainage), full sun for best results. (-10\1\4) RSBG#2013/281 \$24.00 

___ ***insigne*** A compact-growing species with incredible foliage and very beautiful flowers which appear in early summer after most other species have finished flowering. The leaves, which are retained for up to seven years, are quite glossy above with deeply impressed veins, coated beneath with a compact silvery to coppery indumentum. The flowers are pink with darker stripes on each lobe. Our first offering in many years. (0\1\3) RSBG \$26.00 

___ ***keiskei*** 'Yaku Fairy' This famous 1970 Award of Merit form is a dense and prostrate mound with pale yellow flowers in mid-spring. A choice rock garden or container specimen. Easy and hardy in the garden. (-15\1\1 foot across) RSBG#1974/014 \$23.00 

___ ***leucaspis*** A low and mounding evergreen shrub usually growing wider than high with smooth and peeling red-brown bark. The elliptic, two-inch long leaves are densely covered on the upper surface and margins with bristly hairs and the new growth emerges a bright purple highlighted with silvery hairs. The flowers (early spring) are white with dark brown anthers and shaped like a flattened bell. Requires excellent drainage, but tolerant of sun or shade. A selected form from the famous Scottish garden Crarae. Very attractive in all features. (+5\2\2) RSBG#1965/398 \$17.00 

___ ***megeratum*** ("Bodnant form") A great dwarf species with a low mounding habit, flattened bell-shaped flowers and small rounded glossy leaves fringed with long hairs. This is the famous small-leaved and yellow-flowered form from the fabulous collection at Bodnant in Wales. Excellent in a container. (0\R2\2) RSBG#1965/261 \$32.00 🙌

___ ***moupinense*** Dwarf evergreen species with funnel-shaped white to pale pink flowers in late winter/early spring. An epiphytic species in the wild and one of the first to bloom each spring. Easy in sun or shade with sufficient drainage and relatively drought tolerant once established. (+5\R1\3) RSBG \$21.00 🌱

___ ***mucronulatum*** 'Crater's Edge' An outstanding dwarf form of this variable species. This is a selected clone collected by Warren Berg from the top of Cheju Island, Korea. This plant has a dense dwarf habit, small dark green leaves and deep red-purple flowers in early spring. Quite tough and adaptable. Very slow-growing and suitable for bonsai with excellent fall foliage color. (-15\R1\2) RSBG#1989/011 \$28.00 🙌

___ ***oblongilobatum*** JN#11080 The first introduction into cultivation of the real *oblongilobatum*. These are grown from seed collected in the wild from the type location for this species in central Yunnan. Originally described as a variety of the *valentinianum* complex (which includes *valentinianum*, *changii*, *valentinioides*, etc.) in subsection Maddenia but the flowers have a sharply deflexed style which places it in subsection Boothia alongside species such as *sulfureum* and *chrysodoron*. Beautiful, rounded and glossy leaves with hairy margins on dwarf plants. Deep yellow flowers in mid-spring. NOTE: previously offered as "*valentinianum* var. *oblongilobatum*" (+5\R2\2) RSBG#213sd2012 \$29.00

___ ***proteoides*** Extremely slow-growing and dwarf evergreen shrubs. Like a tiny version of *R. roxieanum* with a thick woolly, reddish brown indumentum on the underside of the leaves. The attractive new growth is heavily indumented on both surfaces. The white to cream flushed rose and spotted flowers typically take years to appear. Forms a round dense mound when well grown and considered by many collectors to be the most choice (and difficult!) dwarf or alpine species. Requires a highly organic but extremely well-drained soil in a cool but bright position for successful cultivation. (-10\R3\8 inches) RSBG \$45.00

___ ***pseudochrysanthum*** An easily grown and very attractive species from the mountains of Taiwan with a dense dwarf mounding habit and beautiful foliage. White flushed pink flowers in mid-spring, hardy and relatively heat tolerant. A beautiful all-around species and great in a container. Silvery new foliage on this compact selection. (-10\R1\2) RSBG#1973/400 \$27.00 🌱

___ ***saluenense* ssp. *chameunum*** JN#264 This alpine species forms a dense mound of small and shiny, fragrant foliage. Purple to reddish-purple flowers in late spring or early summer. Very rarely offered and very slow-growing. Best in excellent drainage with summer irrigation. (-5\R2\1) RSBG#2004/262 \$27.00

___ ***saluenense* ssp. *chameunum*** This alpine species forms a dense mound of small and shiny, fragrant foliage. Purple to reddish-purple flowers in late spring or early summer. Very rarely offered and very slow-growing. Best in excellent drainage with summer irrigation. Flowers bright red-purple with darker flecks in this AM clone (1945) from Exbury. (-5\R2\1) RSBG#1973/246 Large plants for \$34.00

___ ***spinuliferum*** A very distinct species with bullate hairy leaves and upright clusters of unusual, tubular red to orange or pink flowers in mid-spring. Very striking and always draws attention. Tolerant of full sun and drier conditions once established. This selection with bright red flowers. (+5\R1\4) RSBG#1969/834 \$29.00

___ ***tephropeplum*** R#18408 A dwarf mounding species with dark green scaly leaves, smooth and peeling brown bark and masses of purplish to rose or pink flowers. The new growth emerges a striking deep rose-purple with silvery scales. A beautiful species for sun or light shade with very attractive foliage, bark and flowers. This selection with smaller and more narrow, olive-green leaves and a more upright habit than typical. One of my favorites. (+5\R2\3) RSBG#1994/403 Large plants for \$29.00 🙌


___ ***valentinioides*** YUGU#061 Deep yellow waxy flowers with deeply bullate, glossy green leaves, each leaf with a fringe of long hairs on their margins. Much larger growing and more vigorous than its close relative - *valentinianum*. Smooth and peeling reddish-brown bark, this has proven to be quite hardy for a Maddenia in our climate. A stunning foliage plant with the darkest yellow flowers I have seen in a rhododendron. Grown from seed collected in the wild from the exact location Peter Cox and I first introduced it into cultivation in 1995. (+5\R2\5) RSBG#138sd2019 \$26.00 🙌


___ ***williamsianum*** One of the finest, easiest and most attractive of all species. Rounded leaves, bronzy new growth and delicate rose, bell-shaped flowers on this form from the collection at Caerhays. Easy in sun or shade and relatively drought tolerant once established, this is one of the best and most ornamental of all species for general garden use. (-5\R1\3) RSBG#1966/606 \$24.00 🌱


___ ***williamsianum*** One of the finest, easiest and most attractive of all species. Rounded leaves, bronzy new growth and light pink, bell-shaped flowers on this form which is also a bit more low-growing than the above. Easy in sun or shade and relatively drought tolerant once established, this is one of the best all-around species for general garden use. (-5\R1\3) RSBG#1973/301 \$24.00 🌱


MEDIUM-GROWING, SHRUBBY SPECIES


(Many of these, such as members of Subsections Cinnabarina and Triflora, may become quite large with time but can safely be cut back as needed to reduce their overall size)


___ *augustinii* ssp. *augustinii* 'Playfair' Large, upright evergreen shrubs with masses of beautiful flowers in mid-spring. This selection has large deep blue-purple flowers with a large greenish blotch and is one of the last forms of this variable species to flower in spring. Easily grown in sun or shade and very floriferous. Great with white and pink flowered rhododendrons. Our first offering of this outstanding selection. (0\1\6) RSBG \$24.00 


___ *augustinii* ssp. *augustinii* 'Cerulean Mist' An RSBG selection. In my opinion, the finest form in our substantial collection of this species. The large flowers are as close to a true blue as you will see in *augustinii*. A real winner. (0\1\6) RSBG#2004/145 \$24.00 


___ *augustinii* ssp. *augustinii* 'Barto Blue' An outstanding selection of this always beautiful species. A fine form with dark blue-purple flowers. Easily grown in sun or shade and very floriferous. Great with white and pink flowered rhododendrons. (0\1\6) RSBG#1975/309 \$24.00 


___ *augustinii* ssp. *augustinii* 'Electra's Son' As above. This is a relatively newly named form that I have not seen in flower. I would assume that it is derived from the famous clone 'Electra' and has very attractive flowers. (0\1\6) RSBG#2000/055 \$24.00 



___ *catawbiense* Tough and extremely cold-hardy evergreen shrubs flowering in late spring or early summer. This American native can be quite lovely in flower and is remarkably weather-proof. Smooth green leaves and typically with lilac-purple flowers. These are grown from seed collected wild in Mitchell Co., NC sent to us by our friend Don Hyatt. (-2\1\4) RSBG#185sd2019 \$19.00 



___ *cinnabarinum* ssp. *cinnabarinum* (Roylei Group) 'Magnificum' Large upright-growing evergreen shrubs with superb pendulous flowers in late spring. These are tubular in shape and quite variable in color, ranging from red, plum-crimson, salmon-pink, pink, yellow-orange and apricot to various bicolor and even tricolor combinations. This selected clone has large, glaucous red-orange flowers and bright blue-green foliage. (0\2\5) RSBG#2002/059 \$35.00 

___ *concinnum* (Pseudoyanthinum Group) Easy and vigorous hardy species with deep purple to reddish or pinkish funnel-shaped flowers (mid-spring). One of the hardest of the Trifloras. This is a floriferous, adaptable and vigorous species that forms a large and bushy upright shrub – perfect with *augustinii*, *rigidum* and/or *davidsonianum*. Plants in this Group typically with deep wine-red flowers. (-10\1\6) RSBG#1973/070 \$16.00 


___ *davidsonianum* 'Ruth Lyons' Large upright to spreading evergreen shrubs. Easy and floriferous, tolerant of sun or shade, and relatively drought resistant once established. This is the very floriferous and slightly fragrant AM form with vibrant widely funnel-shaped deep rose flowers with magenta and golden flecks in mid-spring. Great with *augustinii*. (0\1\6) RSBG#1964/220 \$19.00 

___ *fansipanensis* DJHV#110 This is another exciting new species from the rich forests of northern Vietnam. This was originally collected in the early 1990s by Keith Rushforth, Tom Hudson, etc. as "*arboreum* ssp. *delavayi* affinity" but several gardens (including the RSBG) have flowered these original collections and it is obvious this is a completely new species. The elliptical leaves of this shrubby plant are somewhat reminiscent of the foliage of *arboreum* but the indumentum is distinctly different (thin, cinnamon-colored and somewhat spongy) and the flowers range from pink to lavender with dark purple nectar pouches. The new growth and stems are densely coated with cinnamon indumentum. Seems to be quite hardy, having survived undamaged in the open at the RSBG through the past few harsh (by our standards of course) winters. (0\1\5) RSBG#102sd2007 \$28.00 

___ *glischroides* A rarely encountered woodland species with stunning hairy and bullate foliage with red bristly stems and petioles. The pink flowers have a darker blotch and a bristly pedicel. This is a very attractive species requiring excellent drainage and some overhead protection for best results. Our first offering, these are great looking specimens. (+5\2\4) RSBG Large plants for \$46.00  


___ *ariersonianum* Open-growing evergreen shrubs with bristly-pubescent and glandular branchlets. The lower surface of the leaves is covered with a thick layer of whitish to pale brown woolly indumentum. A very free-blooming species with deep rose to scarlet or crimson flowers in early to mid-summer. Very distinct and attractive and often used in hybridizing for its large and brightly colored blossoms. Quite tolerant of sun and heat. Our first offering in many years. (+5\1\4) RSBG#1977/284 Large plants for \$37.00  

___ *heliolipsis* CDHM#14509 A distinct and unusual species with pink to purple funnel-bell-shaped flowers in early summer. The glossy deep green, fragrant foliage is quite scaly and very attractive. An upright growing shrub, tolerant of sun. (0\1\5) RSBG#102sd2012 Large plants for \$29.00


___ *henanense* affinity Our first offering of this species which is quite rare in cultivation. The leaf margins, petioles and young growth of this species are all covered with long bristles and it is a very attractive foliage plant. I have not seen this in flower but they should be 


white. Should be quite cold hardy as it is native to northern China. These are grown from seed collected in the wild (as *purdomii* - but it is not this member of subsection Taliensia). (-20\R2\3) RSBG#143sd2017 \$29.00


___ ***hylaenum* JN#12135** This is a rarely grown and even more rarely offered species closely related to *hookeri* and *faucium*. Tubular bell-shaped pink flowers in early spring. The most outstanding feature of this species is the remarkable bark, smooth, liquid-brown with no flaking or peeling – from the smallest twig to the base of the sinuous trunk. These are grown from seed collected in the wild. Best in mild coastal gardens or similar situations. (+5\R1\4) RSBG#148sd2013 \$29.00


___ ***irroratum* ssp. *irroratum* YuGu#063** An easily-grown and floriferous species with beautiful flowers in early spring. The flowers range in color from white to pink to cream and are often heavily spotted. Plants grown from seed collected in this location are among the finest forms I have seen, with pink buds opening to white flowers with some reddish spots – beautiful in early spring! Very long-lasting flowers in a very tight and rounded truss. Easy and vigorous, tolerant of sun or shade. Grown from seed collected in the wild. (+5\R1\5) RSBG#139sd2019 \$26.00 


___ ***irroratum* ssp. *pogonostylum* JN#11073** This subspecies differs from its more widely grown relative ssp. *irroratum* in its deeper pink flowers and in having tomentum on the ovary (but you knew that already). This should have a vigorous and upright but shrubby growth habit and perhaps substantial heat tolerance as it has a more southern natural range than that of ssp. *irroratum*. From seed collected in the wild. (+5\R1\5) RSBG#265sd2012 \$24.00


___ ***keysii* AC#5371** A *cinnabarinum* relative with a vigorous, bushy habit and narrow dark green leaves. The highly unusual, pendulous flowers are arranged in dense clusters in the leaf axils of the upper stems, appearing in late spring to early summer. They are narrowly tubular in shape and orange to reddish in color with yellow or green lobes. Quite attractive and very different from any other rhododendron. Easy in sun or shade and seems to be relatively drought resistant once established. Grown from seed collected in the wild. (0\R1\6) RSBG#109sd2005 \$25.00 


___ ***lanatoides*** A unique and spectacular species, still quite rare in cultivation. This *lanatum/flinckii* relative is native to the eastern Himalaya and like its close relatives features incredibly beautiful foliage. This species differs in that the glossy leaves are a lot longer and narrower and they feature an even thicker indumentum. The small white flowers have a red blotch and/or spots and appear in very early spring but this species is grown for its remarkable foliage. Best in a cool but bright position with well-drained organic soil. (-5\R2\3) RSBG \$39.00 


___ ***latoucheae* SEH#18013** This rarely grown species is a member of Section Choniastrum which includes the widespread (in the wild) but rarely grown species such as *moulmainense* and *championae*. This has typical Choniastrum smooth and glossy foliage with large, flat-faced flowers of pink to rose in mid-spring. Has been hardy for us for many years now. From seed collected in the wild. (+5\R1\6) RSBG#148sd2018 \$21.00 


___ ***longipes* var. *longipes* SEH#119** A relatively new species to cultivation. This can be considered a compact form of the widespread and variable *argyrophyllum* with similar pure pink flowers in late spring. The leaves of this species tend to be narrower in shape than those seen in typical *argyrophyllum*. A rounded and slow-growing species with demure but beautifully clear pink, bell-shaped flowers in mid- to late spring. Probably tolerant of near neutral soils. Easy in light shade. Our first offering in many years. (-5\R1\3) RSBG#1999/144 \$27.00 

___ ***lutescens* 'Bagshot Sands'** One of the best forms of this popular species. Masses of large yellow flowers in early spring and featuring long willowy leaves, a vigorous, bushy habit and bright purple-red new growth. Easy in sun or light shade. (0\R1\8) RSBG#1974/079 \$23.00 


___ ***mucronulatum* 'Cornell Pink'** A selected form of this floriferous and easily grown deciduous species with masses of bright pink flowers in early spring. Tough and hardy with good fall foliage color and some heat tolerance. Sun or shade. (-20\R1\6) RSBG#1973/193 \$26.00 


___ ***mucronulatum* "Ozawa Deep"** A selected form of this floriferous and easily grown deciduous species with masses of dark pink flowers in early spring. Tough and hardy with good fall foliage color and some heat tolerance. Sun or shade. (-15\R1\6) RSBG \$26.00 


___ ***niveum*** Compact rounded evergreen shrubs with densely white-felted branchlets. The attractive foliage emerges silvery white or tannish and this is retained as a dense woolly grayish to tan indumentum on the lower surface. The amazing flowers (mid-spring) are unlike those of any other species. They are borne in a dense and compact, rounded inflorescence and are typically colored a shade of purple which has been described as similar to "grape Kool-Aid". One of the "classics" in the genus with stunning foliage and flowers. Best in light shade. One of the rarest species in the wild. Found only in a few isolated populations in the eastern Himalayas. These are grown from our own hand-pollinated seed. (0\R1\3) RSBG \$32.00 


___ ***rubiginosum* DGEY#286** Large, upright growing shrubs or small trees with very densely scaly foliage and young stems. The leaves and stems are fragrant when crushed or on a hot sunny day. The widely funnel-shaped flowers (mid-spring) come in various shades of pink or lavender and even white flushed pink, usually with darker spots or a blotch. A very ornamental and easily grown species for sun or shade, 

providing a great display of flowers every spring. Quite variable over its extensive range in SW China and adjacent N Burma where it occurs in various habitats from 7,500 to 14,000 ft. Grown from seed collected in the wild. Very vigorous young plants with attractive scaly foliage. (0\R1\6) RSBG#371d2001 \$24.00


___ *sichotense* 'Midwinter' (formerly *dauricum*) An AM & FCC winner, this is our earliest form to flower in the garden. Masses of rose-purple flowers in January in the PNW. An evergreen form of this variable species which has long been grown under the name *dauricum*. The fragrant foliage turns purple-bronze in the autumn/winter. Hardy and easy, sun or light shade. (-25\R1\5) RSBG#1974/008 Large plants for \$27.00 

___ *siderophyllum* YUGU#065 A rarely offered Triflora, this species is very floriferous with the white to white flushed pink flowers appearing in early spring. These are grown from seed collected in the wild from a population with the best flowers I have observed in this widespread but rarely cultivated species. (+5\R1\6) RSBG#141sd2019 \$19.00 

___ *species nova* (Subsection *Argyrophylla*) SEH#18037 A new introduction from a newly explored region in southern China. This species is obviously a member of subsection *Argyrophylla* but does not match the descriptions of any currently known species in that large group. I did not see the flowers but this forms a dense rounded shrub with shiny oblanceolate leaves that are somewhat reminiscent of its close relative *ririei* but lacking the distinct indumentum of that well-known species. Our first offering. (0\R1\4) RSBG#170sd2018 \$24.00 


___ *sphaeroblastum* var. *wumenqense* CDHM#14557 Slow-growing mound-shaped shrubs with outstanding foliage. The leaves are dark green and shiny on the upper surface with a brownish indumentum beneath. Bright blue-green new growth. White to pink flowers with red spots in mid-spring. Grown from seed collected in the wild. (-10\R2\3) RSBG#275sd2013 \$29.00 


___ *striqillosum* "Grieg form" One of the finest species in the genus. Scarlet flowers with black nectar pouches in early spring. A superb foliage plant with equally impressive flowers. This species is best in light shade with good drainage. (-5\R1\5) RSBG#1975/178 \$28.00


___ *yunnanense* 'Openwood' One of the best all-around garden plants in the genus. This easily grown species is adaptable and very floriferous. Masses of rose-lavender flowers on this selected form. A vigorous and upright growing shrub. This clone the winner of the Award of Garden Merit from the RHS. Fine in sun or shade - this species makes a great hedge or screen. (0\R1\8) RSBG#2013/164 \$25.00 


TREE-LIKE AND BIG-LEAF SPECIES



(These species are ultimately very large plants that generally do not respond well to heavy pruning and so require quite a bit of space)

___ *decorum* ssp. *decorum* KR#7714 Large evergreen shrubs or small trees. The large fragrant flowers (late spring to early summer) are white to pink or rose, often flushed and/or marked with colorful flecks. An easily grown, vigorous and free-blooming species, tolerant of a wide range of conditions including full sun. From seed collected in the wild. (0\R1\8) RSBG#644sd2003 \$24.00 

___ *fortunei* ssp. *fortunei* H2MD#108 This is a large and vigorous, upright evergreen shrub with smooth, bright green foliage. The large and showy fragrant flowers are white flushed pink to deep pink in mid- to late spring, providing a grand display. This is an easily grown, floriferous garden plant with heat and cold tolerance. One of the best all-around species for gardens. These are grown from seed collected in the wild in a newly explored region. (-10\R1\8) RSBG#185sd2015 \$34.00 

___ *fortunei* ssp. *fortunei* SEH#18040 As above but this form with longer and more narrow foliage. This is a large and vigorous, upright evergreen shrub with smooth, bright green foliage. The large and showy fragrant flowers are white flushed pink to deep pink in mid- to late spring, providing a grand display. This is an easily grown, floriferous garden plant with heat and cold tolerance. One of the best all-around species for gardens. These are grown from seed collected in the wild in a newly explored region. (-10\R1\8) RSBG#173sd2018 \$34.00 

___ *glanduliferum* A newly introduced species forming large, upright-growing shrubs with very large leaves. The spectacular fragrant flowers are white to pink and occur in impressive inflorescences of up to 18 flowers in **mid-summer**. These showy blossoms are followed by vigorous new growth with remarkably large leaves. Fine in sun or shade, the foliage is much larger in the shade. A strong-growing, adaptable garden plant. (-5\R1\7) RSBG \$31.00 

___ *jingqangshanicum* Large shrubs closely allied to the familiar *calophytum* with similar very large leaves but slightly different in shape and with a shiny upper leaf surface. The early spring flowers differ from those of *calophytum* in their slightly different shape and in the fact that they are a solid pinkish-purple in color. Quite rare in the wild, two separate expeditions have failed to locate this species in the Jinggang Shan of western Jiangxi where it is endemic. This appears to be an isolated, far eastern extension of the *calophytum* complex. Grown from hand-pollinated seed produced here in the RSBG. (-5\R1\6) RSBG \$39.00  

___ ***leigongshanense*** CDHM#14658 A newly introduced species forming large, upright-growing shrubs. The spectacular fragrant flowers are white to pink and occur in impressive inflorescences of up to 18 flowers in **mid to late summer**. These showy blossoms are followed by vigorous new growth with remarkably large leaves. Grown from seed collected wild in a newly explored region. Fine in sun or shade, the foliage is much larger in the shade. A strong-growing, adaptable garden plant. **NOTE:** This was collected and previously sold as the closely related *glanduliferum*. This newly described species is distinguished from *glanduliferum* by the long stipitate glandular hairs on the lower leaf surface and by the new growth which does not emerge until late summer. (-5\R1\7) RSBG#271sd2013 Only a few - nice large specimens for \$47.00



___ ***macabeanum*** Of all the fantastic big-leaf species in cultivation, this is one of the best all-around garden plants. Easy to grow in light shade, this species has large rounded leaves with a whitish to buff woolly indumentum on the lower surface. Large and showy yellow flowers, usually with a purple blotch. These are grown from hand-pollinated seed produced here at the RSBG. (+5\R1\6) RSBG \$29.00

___ ***magnificum*** KR#11322 One of the rarest of the big-leaf species in cultivation, closely related to *protistum* ("*giganteum*"). The similar large leaves develop their thin indumentum at a much younger age than that species and the flowers also appear much sooner in its long life. The large flowers (early spring) range in color from rose to deep reddish-purple. These are grown from seed collected in a newly explored region of the eastern Himalaya and represent one of the first re-introductions of this rare species from the wild. (+15\R1\7) RSBG#252sd2018 \$38.00

___ ***polytrichum*** SEH#18038 A newly introduced species that appears to be quite rare in the wild. This is a strong grower and will probably end up being a very large plant in the garden. Jens Nielsen thinks this might more correctly be called *R. chihsonianum* which was long thought to be a relative of *R. auriculatum*. Very large, glossy and hairy leaves (almost bristly looking – very different from anything else that I have seen). The original introduction (JN#) has bloomed here with very large and white, lightly fragrant flowers (in mid-spring!) proving it is actually a Fortunea and not a member of subsection Maculifera as was assumed. This second introduction, from a different region, has deep pink flowers according to images in the local tourist guidebook. Best in light shade or woodland conditions. (-5\R1\5) RSBG#171sd2018 \$38.00 One of the finest new introductions in the past decade or more.



___ ***ponticum*** An easily grown large shrubby species with smooth and shiny, deep green foliage. The flowers (early summer) are typically in various shades of purple. A great species for light to deep shade in our climate. Very tough and a great source of color after the rush of spring bloom. From seed collected in the wild, this form with larger and very glossy foliage. (0\R1\5) RSBG \$21.00



___ ***pudorosum*** A very rarely offered big-leaf species. This is a very slow-growing and relatively compact grower known only from a small area in SE Tibet. Considered one of the hardest of the big-leaf species - it has been introduced from the wild only twice. The leaves feature a thin, plastered indumentum and the flowers are pink to purple-pink in early spring. (-5\R1\3) RSBG Large one-gallon plants for \$58.00



___ ***rex ssp. ficolacteum*** JN#12208 A beautiful and impressive species blooming in mid- to late spring. One of the finest species in the genus with great foliage, beautiful flowers, and excellent hardiness for a "big-leaf". These are grown from seed collected in the wild. White to lilac or rose flowers and dark glossy green foliage with deep rusty brown indumentum. (-5\R1\5) RSBG#118sd2013 \$36.00



___ ***serotinum*** YuGu#060 A newly introduced, very ornamental and distinct species from the S Yunnan/N Vietnam frontier. The quite large, white and fragrant flowers appear in mid-summer. This vigorous species has foliage similar to that of *R. hemsleyanum* but with narrower leaves and a more upright and narrow growth habit and much larger flowers. One of the fastest growing of all species. These are grown from seed collected in the wild. (0\R1\8) RSBG#137sd2019 \$35.00



___ ***sinofalconeri*** YuGu#055 A relatively newly introduced big-leaf species with large, pale to deep yellow flowers in mid-spring. Very vigorous and attractive with great flowers and foliage. Reported hardy to +8 F along the east coast and showing some signs of heat tolerance in the southeast. A very vigorous grower, best in light shade like any other big-leaf. Stunning in foliage and flower. These are grown from seed collected in the wild from the original location of the "Yunnan form" with rounder leaves and a paler indumentum than the "Vietnam form". (0\R1\7) RSBG#134sd2019 \$38.00 Beautiful young plants.





MADDENIAS AND OTHER "MARGINALLY-HARDY" SPECIES



(Including both smaller and larger-growing species but excluding the big-leaves: many of these are epiphytic in the wild and so make great subjects for container culture)


___ ***burmanicum*** KW#21921 A relatively hardy *Maddenia* with dark green leaves and yellow-green flowers in mid-spring. Smooth and peeling red-brown bark. Heat and drought tolerant once established. From the original collection of this species on Mt. Victoria in Burma. One of the toughest of the *Maddenia* and a compact grower, I grow more impressed with this species with each passing year. (+5\R1\4) RSBG#1999/095 Large plants for \$32.00





___ *camelliflorum* GR#0834 Open-growing evergreen shrubs with smooth and peeling reddish bark and densely scaly leaves. The small waxy flowers (early to mid-summer) are camellia-like with a broad tube and widely spreading lobes. They range in color from white to cream, pink or wine-red. A very distinct and unusual species unrelated to any other. From seed collected wild in the Eastern Himalaya where it grows as an epiphyte and thus requires excellent drainage in cultivation. (+5\R2\4) RSBG#182sd2008 Large plants for \$28.00



___ *championae* Evergreen shrubs or small trees with stiff, bristly branches. The leaves are covered with bristles, this is especially evident on the margins and petioles. The foliage is quite striking and cannot be mistaken for any other species. The large openly funnel-shaped flowers are white to pale pink with yellow spots and a slight fragrance. Requires excellent drainage. (+5\R2\4) RSBG#1979/048 Only a few – our first offering in over a dozen years. \$42.00  


___ *dendricola* (“*taronense*”) ‘Taron Temptation’ DGEY#046 This is a *Maddenia* with attractive glossy and hairy foliage and a vigorous growth habit. The large and showy, lightly fragrant flowers are spectacular – white with a strong rose flush - the highlight of the Rutherford Conservatory when in full bloom. The only seedling to germinate from our collection of wild seed on the Yunnan/Burma frontier in 2001. Requires excellent drainage and quite happy in a container. (+15\R2\5) RSBG#2013/490 Large plants for \$34.00  


___ *edgeworthii* KCSH#0392 Over-the-top ornamental evergreen shrubs with smooth and peeling bark. The distinctive foliage is extremely attractive with a heavily puckered (bullate) texture above and a thick tawny indumentum below. The large and fragrant white to white flushed pink flowers appear in mid-spring. Requires sharp drainage. Great in a container or on an old stump or log. From seed collected in the wild in the eastern Himalaya. (+10\R2\6) RSBG#587sd2003 \$21.00 


___ *excellens* YuGu#031 A *Maddenia* closely related to *nuttallii* but typically with narrower foliage that is more strongly glaucous-white beneath. Very large and fragrant white flowers with a strong yellow-orange blotch in mid-spring to early summer. Smooth and peeling bark. One of the hardiest of the larger-flowered maddenias. Grown from wild collected seed. Requires excellent drainage. Has survived outdoors in the ground for many years at the RSBG. This is the more “typical” form (if such a thing can be said about this enigmatic species) with very large leaves and blooming in early summer. (+5\R2\6) RSBG#121sd2019 \$21.00 



___ *formosum* var. *formosum* ‘Khasia’ C&H#320 Superb Award of Merit selection (1988) with large funnel-shaped white flowers flushed yellow in the throat. Attractive bark and glossy foliage on this *Maddenia*. (+10\R2\5) RSBG#1998/012 Large plants in band pots for \$14.00-B 

___ *hancockii* One of my very favorite species. This has typical *Choniastrum* foliage (smooth and deep green with no scales) and would be hard to differentiate from its close relatives out of flower. In bloom, it displays large clusters of huge, very open, pure white flowers with a prominent yellow-orange blotch. Untested by us outside but many of the *Choniastrum* species are proving to be substantially hardier than expected. A strong and bushy, upright grower. (+10\R1\7) RSBG#1998/710 \$16.00-B  


___ *johnstoneanum* ‘Double Diamond’ This is an amazing clone with pale creamy yellow (almost white) double flowers. The long-lasting flowers are like small roses with layer upon layer of petals. Blooms over a long period. Attractively hairy foliage with smooth and peeling bark. Very hardy for a maddenia and stunning in flower. (+5\R1\5) RSBG#1977/693 Large plants for \$28.00 

___ *liliiflorum* SEH#18043 Erect or mounding evergreen shrubs with striking glossy and peeling reddish-brown bark. The large trumpet-shaped white flowers (early summer) are waxy, long-lasting and fragrant. Although still fairly new to cultivation, this attractive late-season blooming species has great potential for relative hardiness and drought tolerance. Grown from seed collected in the wild in a newly explored region. Rarely offered species, one of the hardiest *Maddenias*. We have had this out in the garden for at least 15 years with no cold damage - I highly recommend this species – a must have. (0?\R2\5) RSBG#176sd2018 Large plants for \$36.00 

___ *maddenii* ssp. *crassum* YuGu#030 Fragrant large trumpet-shaped white flowers in late spring to early summer and shiny foliage with a robust growth habit. Among the hardiest of the maddenias and much easier to grow than most of its close relatives. From seed collected in the wild in a newly explored region at about 10,000 ft.! This is the highest I have ever observed this species, these should be quite cold hardy. (0?\R1\8) RSBG#120sd2019 \$19.00 

___ *pseudociliipes* KR# Only recently introduced, this is a rare *Maddenia* in cultivation. The one or two (per inflorescence) white flushed pink, fragrant flowers, are impressive against the relatively small leaves. Requires excellent drainage. A rarely offered species, these are grown from seed collected in the wild. The smaller leaves and stature make this a fine plant for containers. The hardest and most compact form of this species in our collection. (+5\R2\3) RSBG#2013/084 \$15.00  

___ Subsection *Maddenia* (species nova? or *lyi* affinity?) YuGu#012 An as yet un-identified species from a poorly explored region. Large white and probably fragrant flowers and hairy foliage. Smooth and peeling bark. Most of the *Rhododendron* species from this new region are turning out to be substantially hardier than expected. (+5?\R1\4) RSBG#106sd2019 \$15.00

___ *veitchianum* ‘Ashcombe’ Large and vigorous evergreen shrubs with smooth and shiny reddish brown bark. The large fragrant flowers are white, often with a yellow blotch and typically frilled or wavy along the outer part of the lobes. Quite variable in terms of blooming season 

and requiring excellent drainage. Magnificent large white flowers with an orange-yellow blotch on this 1962 FCC clone. (+25\R2\6) RSBG#1974/001 \$11.00-B

AZALEAS (Deciduous and evergreen species)

___ *arborescens* Upright deciduous shrubs with smooth bark and stems. The leaves are shiny dark green on the upper surface, brightly colored in the autumn. The fragrant flowers (early to mid-summer) are white to white flushed pink with a long narrow tube and spreading lobes. The Smooth Azalea is a fine late-blooming, fragrant species for sun or the woodland garden. Native to the mountains of the eastern USA from Pennsylvania to Alabama where it occurs from 1,000 to 5,000 ft. These are grown from seed collected wild in Pennsylvania from a plant with pale pink flowers. (-10\R1\5) RSBG#100sd2015 \$19.00



___ *calendulaceum* One of the easiest and showiest of the North American azaleas, this deciduous species has large, widely funnel-shaped flowers in late spring to early summer. The blossoms range in color from yellow to orange and red or combinations of the above. A real splash of late season color. Bright fall foliage color, best in sun in the Pacific NW. These are grown from seed collected in the wild by our friend Don Hyatt from a plant named "Duke Rankin" with large orange flowers featuring a yellow blotch. (-25\R1\5) RSBG#108sd2015 \$19.00



___ *calendulaceum* 'Cherokee' One of the easiest and showiest of the North American azaleas, this deciduous species has large, widely funnel-shaped flowers in late spring to early summer. The blossoms range in color from yellow to orange and red or combinations of the above. A real splash of late season color. Bright fall foliage color, best in sun in the Pacific NW. This selection with large soft apricot flowers flushed orange-yellow on the upper lobe. (-25\R1\5) RSBG#1994/054 \$29.00



___ *calendulaceum* One of the easiest and showiest of the North American azaleas, this deciduous species has large, widely funnel-shaped flowers in late spring to early summer. The blossoms range in color from yellow to orange and red or combinations of the above. A real splash of late season color. Bright fall foliage color, best in sun in the Pacific NW. These are grown from seed collected in the wild by our friend Don Hyatt from a plant named "Roan Mountain Lava" with large golden-orange, ruffled and frilled flowers. (-25\R1\5) RSBG#224sd2016 \$19.00



___ *calendulaceum* One of the easiest and showiest of the North American azaleas, this deciduous species has large, widely funnel-shaped flowers in late spring to early summer. The blossoms range in color from yellow to orange and red or combinations of the above. A real splash of late season color. Bright fall foliage color, best in sun in the Pacific NW. These are grown from seed collected in the wild. (-25\R1\5) RSBG#101sd2015 \$14.00



___ *hypoblematosum* SEH#18019 First introduction into cultivation of this dwarf and compact evergreen azalea. This species features very small and deep green leaves with a hairy surface. As seen in the wild, this was quite compact and it is proving to be thus so far in cultivation as well. Native to Jiangxi Province in eastern China so should have pretty good heat and cold tolerance. Rather smallish flowers for an azalea but a beautiful foliage plant. Grown from seed collected in the wild. (0?\R1\2) RSBG#154sd2018 \$29.00



___ *indicum* An evergreen azalea with rose-red to bright scarlet flowers in early summer. This clone grown from seed collected wild in Japan. A heat tolerant species with very narrow, fine-textured foliage. (0\R1\3) RSBG#2010/011 Large plants for \$26.00



___ *kiusianum* W#11260 We have not recorded flowering data for this clone collected in the wild by Ernest Wilson. (-10\R1\18 inches) RSBG#1990/081 \$21.00



___ *kiusianum* 'Miyamakikoshi' A low-growing and mounding evergreen azalea with deep green, small leaves. A very easily grown species, floriferous and adaptable to a wide range of conditions. Native to mountain slopes in Japan and quite variable with many selected forms. This form with large pale lavender-pink flowers late in the "kiusianum-season". (-10\R1\18 inches) RSBG#1979/067 \$21.00





___ *luteum* 'Golden Comet' The best form of this always lovely species. Large, deep yellow, highly fragrant flowers in mid-spring. Bright red fall foliage color. Easy in sun or light shade. Cold and heat tolerant, this selection is resistant to powdery mildew. A superb plant for most rhododendron-growing regions. (-10\R1\4) RSBG \$23.00






___ *molle ssp. japonicum* One of the most spectacular of the deciduous azaleas. This subspecies has very large, brightly-colored flowers that range in color from reddish to salmon-orange – variable in color but always quite striking and showy. The flowers appear in late spring and the foliage is colorful in the autumn. Easy and adaptable but best in sun. Rarely seen in gardens but one of the finest azaleas in my opinion. Grown from seed collected wild in the mountains of Japan. (-5\R1\4) RSBG#176sd2019 \$29.00







___ ***nakaharai*** 'Mariko' Carmine-colored flowers in mid-summer on this low creeping evergreen azalea. The fuzzy-hairy, deep green glossy leaves densely cover the spreading stems of this tidy bit of rabbit food. A beautiful little ground cover with cold and heat tolerance that is easy in sun or light shade. An Award of Merit form. (-5\1\6 inches) RSBG#1974/085 \$21.00 


___ ***nakaharai*** 'Mt. Seven Star' Bright brick-red flowers in mid-summer on this low creeping evergreen azalea. The fuzzy-hairy, deep green glossy leaves densely cover the spreading stems of this tidy bit of rabbit food. A beautiful little ground cover with cold and heat tolerance that is easy in sun or light shade. (-5\1\6 inches) RSBG#1975/267 \$23.00 


___ ***oldhamii*** PM#140909 This evergreen azalea has long reddish hairs on the leaves for an attractive and distinctive "fuzzy" look. The flowers (early summer) are large and funnel-shaped, brick-red to coral-pink with spots. A very ornamental species with large leaves and flowers compared to most evergreen azaleas. Quite heat tolerant and good for regions such as California and the southeast. From seed collected in the wild in its native Taiwan. (0\1\4) RSBG#132sd2009 \$23.00 

___ ***rivulare*** YuGu#070 This Tsutsusi (evergreen) azalea is new to cultivation. This species features hairy foliage that emerges a striking silvery-blue with red hairs. Pretty sure this striking color combo will fade as the plant matures but even then, the foliage is quite attractive. The flowers are lavender with a purple blotch and appear in large clusters in late spring. Tolerant of full sun and probably quite tolerant of hot and humid summers considering where it is found in south-central China. Grown from seed collected in the wild. (0\1\4) RSBG#144sd2019 Large gallon plants for \$27.00 


___ ***schlippenbachii*** A compact-growing, horizontally branched deciduous species with distinctively-shaped obovate foliage arranged in whorls on the branch tips. The stunning flowers are typically white to pink or rose with reddish spots. Excellent fall foliage color and quite hardy. In my opinion, the Royal Azalea is one of the most beautiful of all species. Long-lived, relatively slow-growing and best in sun or light shade. (-25\1\3) RSBG \$32.00 


___ **Section Tsutsusi** SEH#18033 This is an unknown member of Section Tsutsusi grown from seed collected in the wild in a newly explored region. This has a very vigorous habit with deep green elliptic leaves covered with golden hairs. I have not seen the flowers. An exciting opportunity to grow a plant from a new region. (+5?\1\3?) RSBG#166sd2018 \$23.00 


___ ***stenopetalum*** A rounded evergreen azalea with light green, ovate, softly hairy leaves. I have no record of the flowers of this clone we received from Warren Berg. Formerly known as *macrosepalum*. Easy in sun or light shade. (0\1\4) RSBG#1977/642 \$19.00 

___ ***stenopetalum*** 'Kochozoro' This is similar to the familiar 'Linearifolium' but has normal sized, very fuzzy leaves and the floral petals are quite a bit wider and are an unusual, but very distinct and attractive, creamy-green with a pink stain at the base. A rare offering of this beautiful selection from Japan. (0\1\4) RSBG#1981/102 \$23.00 

___ ***stenopetalum*** 'Linearifolium' A very distinct and deservedly popular evergreen azalea. The long and narrow, hairy leaves are matched by the similarly-shaped lavender petals of the flowers in mid-spring. An amazing foliage plant. Best if staked for a year or so until an adequate root system develops, after this it is quite dependable. (0\1\4) RSBG#1965/447 \$27.00


___ ***stenopetalum*** 'Ladylocks' A rounded evergreen azalea with light green, ovate, softly hairy leaves. Lovely large and fragrant lavender flowers completely cover this Polly Hill selection grown from Japanese seed. Formerly known as *macrosepalum*. Easy in sun or light shade. (0\1\4) RSBG#1982/118 \$23.00 


___ ***stenopetalum*** 'Leucantha' A rounded evergreen azalea with light green, ovate, softly hairy leaves. Formerly known as *macrosepalum*. Easy in sun or light shade. This form with pure white flowers, very showy. Our first offering in many years. (0\1\4) RSBG#1981/103 Large plants for \$27.00 

___ ***yedoense* var. *poukhanense*** This is a large rounded evergreen azalea (deciduous in colder climates) that is typically wider than high. The broadly funnel-shaped flowers (mid-spring) are rose to lilac-purple or rarely white. A tough and extremely adaptable species that I have seen thriving in climates as different as Atlanta, GA, Boston MA and here in the Pacific Northwest. A floriferous species with large showy flowers. Tolerant of sun or shade. Native to central and S Korea where it occurs in various habitats from 150 to 3,600 ft. This selection with rose-pink flowers. (-25\1\3) RSBG \$27.00 

VIREYAS


(Tropical, usually epiphytic rhododendrons best grown like orchids)


___ ***atropurpureum*** A relatively dwarf tropical evergreen shrub with pendulous dark red tubular-funnel shaped flowers. The small dark green leaves are elliptic to rounded in shape. Native to the high mountains of New Guinea where it grows at elevations ranging from 11,500 to 12,600 ft. (+25?\2\3) RSBG#1997/112 \$26.00-B 


___ ***aurigeranum*** A large and vigorous species with thick olive-green leaves and very large and showy flowers of pure saffron-yellow. Easy and floriferous. (+32\R1\5) **RSBG** \$20.00-B 



___ ***beyerinckianum*** A rarely-grown species native to New Guinea where it is very widespread and variable. The attractive foliage is densely covered with golden-brown scales and the flesh pink flowers are in the shape of a curved tube. (+32\R2\3) **RSBG#1985/047** \$23.00-B



___ ***blackii*** This species has rounded, almost sessile (appearing to lack a stem) leaves in whorls of three around the stems. The new growth is covered with golden brown scales and the tubular funnel-shaped flowers are deep red. Native to Papua New Guinea where it occurs terrestrially and occasionally epiphytically from 8,200 to 11,150 ft. (+32\R2\3) **RSBG** \$21.00-B



___ ***christianae*** Large tropical evergreen shrubs with smooth shiny green foliage. The flowers are narrowly bell-shaped and range in color from deep yellow, yellow flushed orange, orange or salmon, to orange-lobed with a yellow throat. A free-flowering and easily grown species. This form has yellow flowers. (+32\R1\4) **RSBG#1982/208** \$21.00-B 


___ ***dielsianum*** A popular and very easily grown species with brownish scales on the stems and narrow leaves. The pendant pink flowers are freely produced. A great plant for the beginner. (+32\R1\3) **RSBG#1985/022** \$19.00-B 


___ **'Doris Mossman'** A *stenophyllum* hybrid with masses of orange flowers and very narrow foliage. (+32\R1\3) **RSBG** \$21.00-B 


___ ***hyacinthosum*** Large tropical evergreen shrubs with broadly elliptic to ovate leaves. The white salverform flowers have a pink flush at the base and smell strongly of hyacinths. An attractive but very rare species in cultivation. Native to Papua New Guinea where it occurs both terrestrially and epiphytically from 5,900 to 7,500 ft. This clone features three inch long, fragrant white flowers strongly flushed pink on the tube and lobe margins. (+32\R2\4) **RSBG#2017/023** \$32.00-B  



___ ***jasminiflorum*** A smaller-growing and bushy vireya with thick rounded leaves and masses of fragrant white flowers. An easily grown, floriferous species for the beginner. (+32\R1\2) **RSBG** \$22.00-B  


___ ***jasminiflorum ssp. oblongifolium*** As above but with differently shaped leaves and larger flowers. The fragrant flowers on this selection are white flushed deep pink. Our first offering. (+32\R1\2) **RSBG** \$32.00-B  



___ ***kawakamii*** A dwarf and compact evergreen shrub with small obovate and smooth green leaves. The small but interesting yellow flowers are bell-shaped with widely flaring lobes. An unusual and relatively hardy species requiring excellent drainage. Found only on the island of Taiwan where it occurs as an epiphyte in rainforest from 6,000 to 8,500 ft. (+10\R2\2) **RSBG#1979/026** \$15.00-B 


___ ***laetum*** Large tropical evergreen shrubs or small trees (typically much smaller in cultivation) with shiny, deep green leaves. Very floriferous with large flowers of deep, pure yellow. Easily grown and extremely floriferous, this is one of the best vireyas for the beginner. (+32\R1\4) **RSBG#1978/088** Large plants for \$31.00-B 


___ **'Littlest Angel'** A *viriosum* x *pauciflorum* hybrid with tubular-campanulate, vivid red flowers and a compact and dwarf habit. Our first offering. (+32\R1\2) **RSBG** \$21.00-B 


___ ***loranthiflorum*** Densely-branched tropical evergreen shrubs with obovate smooth green leaves in pseudowhorls. The fragrant flowers are pure white with a long tubular corolla and abruptly flared lobes. An easily grown and floriferous vireya, ideal for the beginner. (+32\R1\4) **RSBG** Large plants for \$34.00-B  

___ ***malayanum*** This smaller growing, rather long-stemmed and sprawling species has narrow, olive-green foliage covered with copper-brown scales. The lower surfaces of the leaves are so scaly they are a solid copper-brown in color. The narrowly tubular and pendulous flowers are pinkish-purple in this form of this extremely variable species. Our first offering in many years. (+32\R2\2) **RSBG** \$29.00-B 


___ ***mendumiae*** A truly spectacular species from the Philippines. This erect growing species has smooth and shiny foliage with large and very fragrant flowers of pure white. A stunner known only from the type location so probably quite rare in the wild. Only recently discovered and named. (+32\R2\3) **RSBG** \$32.00-B  

___ **'Miss Muffet'** I can find very little information about this hybrid. It has glossy foliage and rose-purple flowers with narrow tubes. Our first offering. (+32\R1\3) **RSBG** Large plants for \$29.00-B 

___ ***multicolor*** A relatively compact vireya with interesting small flowers shaped like small funnels. These range in color from white to yellow, pink or red. Narrow and glossy foliage with a prominent midrib. This form with pale yellow flowers. (+32\R2\2) **RSBG#2008/114** \$29.00-B 


___ ***poilanei*** **CDHM#14725** **First introduction into cultivation.** This is an almost prostrate species that I observed growing on vertical cliff faces and which has the strangest growth habit (for a vireya) of growing along the top of the container— both above and below the 


soil line - popping up and out on the edges (like a groundcover). Tiny glossy leaves and deep yellow single flowers. Should have quite a bit of hardiness. A very unique and distinct species. (+15\R2\6 inches) RSBG#174sd2012 \$12.00-B



___ **polyanthemum** A really spectacular species with stunning foliage and flowers. The new growth emerges densely covered with tan scales, quickly changing to a bright orange-brown for an extremely attractive appearance. The fragrant red-orange flowers are arranged in very large (softball-sized) clusters. (+32\R2\4) RSBG \$24.00-B 


___ **praetervisum** A striking species with long and leathery, polished deep green leaves. The long pendant tubular flowers are pinkish-violet. Quite distinct and attractive. (+32\R2\3) RSBG#1988/049 \$18.00-B




___ **radians** GR# The small smooth leaves are arranged in whorls of three around the stems. The long and very narrow pure white flowers emerge from the most amazing buds, each reddish in color with long overlapping and reflexed bud scales like small pineapples. (+32\R1\3) RSBG#2012/068 \$22.00-B


___ **rarilepidotum** A rarely grown species native to Sumatra which features large inflorescences of dark reddish-orange flowers and glossy foliage. A vigorous and easily grown species with a relatively dense growth habit. (+32\R1\4) RSBG \$32.00-B 



___ **retusum** An upright growing but relatively dwarf species with small rounded leaves and an abundance of red flowers over a long blooming season. An easily grown and floriferous species. (+25?\R1\2) RSBG \$17.00-B 


___ **rousei** The small, glossy, deep green leaves are arranged in whorls around the stems. The pure white, openly funnel-shaped flowers are borne in terminal clusters and are very attractive, appearing repeatedly throughout the year. This very rare species was not introduced into cultivation until 1989 when it was first collected in the Philippines. Our first offering. (+32\R1\2) RSBG \$34.00-B  

___ **rushforthii** A newly named and introduced species from Vietnam with completely unique, smooth and elliptic blue-gray foliage. The small flattened, deep yellow flowers appear in arching umbels from the branch tips. A remarkable foliage plant that we have grown in the ground, exposed and unprotected in the garden, for the past several years. (+10\R1\3) RSBG \$14.00-B 



___ **ruttenii** This rarely cultivated species is rather similar to the familiar *jasminiflorum* but with larger flowers. An easily grown species which was not introduced into cultivation until 1987. The highly fragrant flowers are pure white. (+32\R1\3) RSBG#2008/128 \$27.00-B   



___ **'Saxon Glow'** A *saxifragoides* hybrid. This is a very dwarf plant with deep green and glossy leaves and red flowers. (+32\R1\1) RSBG \$16.00-B 



___ **stevensianum** A rarely offered dwarf species with small rounded leaves in pseudowhorls. The flowers are curved and pink-purple in color. A compact and easily grown species that is relatively new to cultivation. (+32\R1\1) RSBG#2017/088 \$21.00-B  

___ **suaveolens** A distinctive species with attractive rounded and smooth green leaves in whorls flush against the stems. Long and narrow, highly fragrant white flowers in big, star-like clusters. A very attractive plant. (+25?\R2\3) RSBG \$24.00-B 

___ **taxifolium** This smaller growing (but bonsai tree-like) species has extremely narrow, deep green and shiny, "grass-like" leaves unlike any other rhododendron. The bell-shaped flowers are pure white. As the name implies, it actually looks like a small yew tree. Always attracts attention – one of the most unusual of all species. (+32\R2\2) RSBG \$29.00-B



___ **'Tropic Alpine Ruby'** A dwarf and relatively compact hybrid with dark red flowers. Our first offering. (+32\R1\1) RSBG \$19.00-B  



___ **tuba** This upright shrubby species has white flushed pink, long and curved, trumpet-shaped fragrant flowers that hang in large clusters from the tips of the branches. This easily grown vireya reliably produces its stunning flowers in early winter. The elliptic leaves are arranged in pseudo-whorls around the stem. Native to Papua New Guinea. (+32\R1\4) RSBG \$17.00-B  


___ **wrightianum** A rarely offered dwarf species with small leaves in pseudowhorls. The flowers are narrowly tubular and pendant in clusters of three or four. Each flower is a striking deep blackish red in color – very striking. A compact and easily grown species. (+32\R1\1) RSBG \$29.00-B  



HYBRID RHODODENDRONS


(A special selection of new and unusual or historically significant, or just hard-to-find hybrids from around the world)


___ **'Biskra'** This is an original Rothschild hybrid (*cinnabarinum* Roylei Group x *ambiguum*) that, due to the *ambiguum* in its parentage, is considered one of the hardiest of the *cinnabarinum* hybrids. A beautiful plant bearing clusters of large, hanging and waxy, vermilion bells in late spring. Very free-flowering and easily grown in light shade. Relatively resistant to powdery mildew. (-5\R1\5) \$21.00  



___ **'Bodnant Yellow'** A classic Lord Aberconway hybrid, one of many in the "Lady Chamberlain Group". This selection was made from the cross *cinnabarinum* (yellow form) x 'Royal Flush Group' (orange form) which actually makes it three-quarters *cinnabarinum*. Fine butter yellow flowers with a reddish flush at the base of the tube. Now rarely seen in gardens. Winner of a First Class Certificate in 1944. (+5\R1\5) \$22.00  


___ **'Carmen'** A classic and beloved dwarf hybrid. This Rothschild cross (*sanguineum* ssp. *didymum* x *forrestii*) is dense and compact, growing wider than high with attractive foliage and stunning, waxy, dark red flowers in mid-spring. Best in light shade/morning sun with excellent drainage. (0\R2\1) Large plants for \$33.00 




___ **'Cowslip'** A classic hybrid (*williamsianum* x *wardii*) with pale primrose-yellow, bell-shaped flowers in mid-spring. Attractive rounded leaves and a compact habit. Easily grown, this is our first offering of this lovely selection. (-5\R1\3) \$27.00  


___ **'Crane'** Another excellent Glendoick hybrid (*keiskei* 'Yaku Fairy' x *racemosum* 'White Lace'). This very hardy dwarf selection has masses of pure creamy-white flowers emerging from pale yellow buds in mid-spring (basically a white version of 'Ginny Gee'). A floriferous and easily grown cultivar - best in sun or light shade. (-5\R1\2) \$17.00 





___ **'Eldorado'** An interesting Rothschild hybrid between two fine species - *valentinianum* and *johnstoneanum*. This is a floriferous plant with attractive and hairy foliage and bright yellow flowers covered with brown scales in late spring. (+5\R1\3) \$18.00 



___ **'Glendoick Gold'** A new semi-dwarf "yak" hybrid from Glendoick. The "first really deep yellow yak" this has rounded trusses of deep bright yellow in late spring. Should be quite hardy and even heat tolerant. (-10\R1\3) \$28.00  




___ **'Glendoick Ruby'** A new semi-dwarf hybrid with stunning, large, waxy-red flowers with a large calyx of the same color and no stamens. Shiny foliage with a thin buff indumentum on the lower surface of each leaf. A nice compact grower – one of the best of the new Glendoick hybrids in my opinion. (0\R2\2) \$31.00 


___ ***griffithianum* x *huanum*** This is a hand-pollination done here at the RSBG utilizing one of our darkest purple forms of *huanum* combined with our hardiest form of *griffithianum* in an attempt to develop either a fragrant and large flowered purple or a more intensely colored 'Loderi' type. Either outcome would be quite outstanding. Please let us know how your plant survives and what the flowers look like when it blooms. (0? \R1\5) \$23.00   



___ **'Lady Chamberlain'** A classic Rothschild hybrid. This selection was made from the cross *cinnabarinum* (Roylei Group) x 'Royal Flush Group' which actually makes it three-quarters *cinnabarinum*. The tubular-funnel shaped flowers are pendulous in shades of orange and the foliage is bright glaucous blue. Now rarely seen in gardens. Our first offering. (+5\R1\5) \$29.00 


___ **'Lalique'** A stunning hybrid (Loderi seedling) from New Zealand that is rarely offered in North America. The lightly fragrant flowers are borne in a large inflorescence and are white delicately flushed with pink and lavender with wavy edges. Easily grown and best in light shade, our first offering. (0\R1\5) \$42.00    


___ **'Malahat'** A medium-growing hybrid (Gill's Triumph' x *strigillosum*) with glowing scarlet-red flowers in early spring. The flowers have a darker throat and dark red spots and the long narrow leaves have a thin coppery-brown indumentum beneath. Easily grown and best in light shade, our first offering. (0\R1\5) Nice large plants for \$38.00  


___ ***maoerense* x *griffithianum*** This is a hand-pollination done here at the RSBG utilizing *maoerense* for its large and intensely colored deep lavender pink flowers combined with our hardiest form of *griffithianum* in an attempt to develop a good solid pink and relatively hardy "Loderi"-type. Please let us know how your plant survives and what the flowers look like when it blooms. (-5? \R1\7) \$23.00   

___ **'Molten Gold'** A medium-growing hybrid with pinkish-purple flowers in mid to late spring. This plant is admired and grown for its strikingly variegated foliage with the green leaves boldly and broadly streaked with bright yellow. Easily grown and best in light shade to avoid foliar scorching. (-10? \R1\3) \$28.00 


___ **'Peter Bee'** A compact, very dwarf evergreen shrub with small smooth green leaves. The flowers are bright yellow and produced in profusion in mid-spring. This is a selection from a cross made by Warren Berg (*hanceanum* 'Nanum' x *keiskei* 'Yaku Fairy'). It was selected by Peter Cox during a visit and Warren decided on this name to commemorate his longtime friend. (-10\R1\1) \$21.00  


___ **'Pintail'** A Glendoick "Bird" hybrid (*racemosum* x 'Snipe') with flowers of brightest pink in multiple trusses from the upper leaf axils in early spring. A fairly compact but upright grower with small medium-green leaves. Easy and floriferous. Best in sun. (-5\R1\3) \$17.00 


___ **'Plover'** This is one of the finest of the Glendoick "Bird Hybrids". This is described on the Glendoick website as "The first deep pink dwarf with significant scent suitable for growing outdoors at Glendoick". It has smallish, hairy and bullate foliage with beautiful flowers in mid-spring. A great new plant (*edgeworthii* x *dendrocharis*). (0?R1\2) \$29.00 


___ **'Quail'** Another excellent Glendoick hybrid (*keiskei* 'Yaku Fairy' x *glaucophyllum*). This very hardy dwarf selection has masses of bright red buds opening to deep reddish-pink flowers. Very free flowering and best in light shade. A floriferous and easily grown cultivar. Our first offering. (0R1\2) \$27.00 


___ **'Royston Red'** A compact and mounding shrub with smooth, deep green and rounded leaves. A fine cross (*forrestii* x *thomsonii*) from the famous Royston Nursery (Mary and Ted Greig) on Vancouver Island. The bell-shaped flowers (mid-spring) are bright red. (0R1\3) \$23.00


___ **'Tessa Roza'** A semi-dwarf hybrid ('Praecox' x *moupinense*) with large bright pink flowers in early spring. A vigorous grower with reddish-bronze bark and shiny foliage. (-5R1\3) Large plants for \$29.00 


___ **'Vanessa Pastel'** A famous Aberconway hybrid with cream colored flowers flushed pink with a red throat in late spring. An Award of Merit selection from the Royal Horticultural Society. (+5R1\5) \$19.00 

___ **'Waxbill'** A dwarf Glendoick hybrid (*keiskei* 'Yaku Fairy' x *spinuliferum*) with pale pink tubular flowers and bronzy new growth. A strong grower but remains compact. Wider than high in habit. An excellent new hybrid with very unusual flowers. (0R1\2) \$17.00 

___ **'Wheatear'** A dwarf Glendoick hybrid (*keiskei* 'Yaku Fairy' x *spinuliferum*) with deep pink tubular flowers and bronzy new growth. A strong grower but remains compact and wider than high in habit. An excellent new hybrid with very unusual flowers. (0R1\2) \$17.00 


___ **'Wine & Roses'** An excellent new hybrid from Ken Cox at Glendoick. This is a semi-dwarf, very compact-growing hybrid with glowing pink flowers in rounded trusses in mid-spring. The leaves are brightly reddish-purple beneath and the new growth is bronzy. A beautiful, very free-flowering and distinct foliage plant which Ken considers "the best of the dwarf hybrids with red leaf-undersides and the only one so far with pink flowers". Easily grown but best out of the hot afternoon sun. (0R1\3) \$27.00 


___ ***yakushmanum* x *lanatum*** A truly stunning foliage plant. And how could it not be a great foliage plant considering it is the offspring of two of the very finest foliage plants in the genus. The leaves are shorter and wider than a typical *yakushmanum* and the thick and dense indumentum that covers the lower leaf surface and stems is a bright orange-brown. I have not seen the flowers but probably white in mid-spring. Nice compact growth. (-5R1\3) \$27.00 

___ ***yuefengense* x *qriersonianum*** This is a hand-pollination done here at the RSBG (by a former employee and not authorized by yours truly as there were no specific goals in mind – it was just "for fun"). That being said, the results are relatively uniform and fairly interesting with characteristics halfway between the two very different appearing species. Should be an early summer bloomer and probably in shades of pink. (0?R1\3) \$21.00 

COMPANION PLANTS

(A unique selection of interesting plants,
many representing new introductions from the wildest regions of the world)

___ ***Acer sterculiaceum* ssp. *franchetii* ex. SEH#129** A rarely offered species of maple that is equally rarely seen in collections. This forms a medium-growing to large tree with deciduous leaves that are somewhat bullate and with toothed margins. The leaves are primarily three-lobed but with two small lobes at the base as well. Yellow fall foliage color. One of my favorite maples and very distinct in foliage. Native to forests in the Sino-Himalayan region. Grown from seed collected from a tree grown from my collection of wild seed in this region in 1995. (-10?) RSBG \$34.00 

___ ***Adiantum aleuticum* var. *subpumilum*** This rarely offered variety represents a truly dwarf maidenhair, usually less than six inches tall and spreading very slowly into a very small-scale groundcover. The glossy black stalks hold aloft typical, but greatly dwarfed maidenhair foliage. Deciduous and best with good drainage in a relatively rich organic soil in light shade. Native to coastal bluffs and cliffs on Vancouver Island. These were grown by our own Atsuko Gibson from spore collected in our Alpine Garden. A perfect plant for a container or tucked in amongst rocks in a rockery. (-20) RSBG \$38.00 

___ ***Agapetes cauliflora* SEH#27042** A white-flowered species with blue-green new foliage on long and arching, densely hairy stems. The pendulous tubular white flowers have green tips and are followed by red "blueberries". We have had this outside for a few years, so it appears to be relatively hardy for this genus. This species is very similar in appearance to *A. malipoensis* but smaller-growing and with smaller leaves. (+10) RSBG \$18.00-B

___ ***Agapetes hosseana*** 'Red Elf' A plant which is known in the trade as a selected form or hybrid of *Agapetes serpens*. We finally obtained cuttings a few years ago only to realize it is simply a very typical form of the lovely *Agapetes hosseana*, a species which we were already growing from seed collected wild in northern Thailand. This species has small, glossy and deep green, rounded-elliptic leaves arranged along long arching pendulous stems. The beautiful and interesting, narrowly tubular red flowers hang in clusters along the pendulous stems. The red flowers are highlighted by the brilliant deep green corolla lobes. *Agapetes* are epiphytic in the wild and best in a hanging basket or on an old stump. (+20) **RSBG** \$14.00-B

___ ***Agapetes malipoensis*** SEH#27016 A white-flowered species with blue-green new foliage on long and arching, densely hairy stems. The pendulous tubular flowers have green tips and are followed by red berries. We have had this outside for a few years, so it appears to be relatively hardy for this genus. This species is very similar in appearance to *A. cauliflora* but larger-growing and with larger leaves. (+10) **RSBG** \$18.00-B

___ ***Agapetes serpens*** A rhododendron relative with small, glossy and deep green pointed leaves arranged along long arching stems. Beautiful and interesting tubular bright red flowers lined with darker red chevrons hang in clusters along the pendulous stems. Epiphytic in the wild and best in a hanging basket or on an old stump. One of my very favorite plants, always attracts attention. Drought tolerant once established and it is best to strongly pinch it back for the first couple of years. Native to the eastern Himalaya where it grows from the branches of large rhododendrons and other trees. A very fine and distinct ornamental. **The flowers of this form are noted to be deep red with flaring lobes.** (+15) **RSBG** \$12.00-B

___ ***Agapetes serpens*** 'Nepal Cream' Similar to the above selection but with creamy white flowers. (+15) **RSBG#2001/5001** \$14.00-B

___ ***Andromeda glaucophylla*** A seldom-grown relative of the familiar Bog Rosemary – *Andromeda polifolia*. This species is similar but often forms a slightly larger plant than most forms of Bog Rosemary seen in cultivation. Narrow, bright blue-green leaves and pink pitcher-shaped flowers in clusters at the ends of the shoots. Best in a moist soil in full sun. Native to bogs, lakeshores and other moist areas from Greenland south to the northern USA (east of the Mississippi). Our stock plant was grown from seed collected wild in Muskoka, Ontario, Canada. (–30) **RSBG** \$17.00 🙌

___ ***Andromeda glaucophylla*** 'Nana' A seldom-grown relative of the familiar Bog Rosemary – *Andromeda polifolia*. This species is similar but with glaucous, broadly elliptic foliage on a dense, mat forming, very dwarf and slowly spreading, evergreen groundcover only a few inches in height. Pink pitcher-shaped flowers in clusters at the ends of the shoots in mid-spring. Best in a moist soil in full sun. Native to bogs, lakeshores and other moist areas from Greenland south to the northern USA (east of the Mississippi). (–30) **RSBG** \$17.00 🙌

___ ***Arctostaphylos densiflora*** 'Howard McMinn' A superb form of this California native manzanita selected for its abundance of white flushed pink urn-shaped flowers and red young stems. Like all manzanitas – the bark is stunning. Full sun and excellent drainage, no extra water necessary in the growing season once established. (+5) **RSBG** \$24.00

___ ***Arisaema sikokianum*** This woodland perennial "Jack-in-the-Pulpit" has to be seen to be believed. The deep purple glossy "hood" of the spathe surrounds the pure glistening white of the club-like spadix – a striking color combination. The plant rises to around one or two feet in height in early spring from an underground, tuber-like structure. In addition to the "out of this world" flowers, the foliage is often marked with silver streaking. Best in woodland conditions and soil (similar culture to trilliums, hostas, etc.). (–15) **RSBG** \$24.00-B 🌿



___ ***Arisaema taiwanense*** A fantastic woodland perennial "Jack-in-the-Pulpit." This is a large species that can reach 4-5 ft. in height if provided with good soil and plenty of water during the growing season. The stem is mottled purple-brown and the whorled leaves are shiny and have a long terminal "drip tip." The deep reddish-chocolate and glossy "hood" of the spathe appears below the narrow leaves. One of the easiest and most ornamental of the jack-in-the-pulpits. Best in woodland conditions and soil (similar culture to trilliums, hostas, etc.), we have had this in the garden for many years. (–15) **RSBG** \$12.00-B 🌿



___ ***Brassaiaopsis hispida*** Our first offering of this intriguing genus in the Araliaceae (ginsengs, scheffleras, aralias, etc.). This has the general appearance of a *Schefflera* species (an evergreen shrub or small tree with very large and ornamental leaves). This species features thorny stems and large and palmate, deeply lobed leaves with jagged margins. The flowers of *Brassaiaopsis* are typically borne in long and pendulous chains of small "golf ball-like" clusters but I have not seen this particular species in flower. Native to lower elevation forests in the Sino-Himalaya and probably best as a container plant in areas prone to colder temps (less than 20F?). (+20?) **RSBG** \$23.00-B 🌿 🙌



___ ***Brassaiaopsis bodinieri*** affinity As above but this species with broader lobes and the margins are finely toothed instead of jagged. (+20?) **RSBG** \$37.00 (in one gallon containers) 🌿 🙌



___ ***Briqgsia speciosa*** (ex. SEH#) A member of the Gesneriaceae (African Violet family) native to south-central China where it grows on mossy cliffs and rock faces. This is an evergreen herbaceous perennial with a basal rosette of deeply rugose, toothed and felted leaves from which arises a very short stem with several very large, inflated "snapdragon-like" flowers of deep blue-purple. The flowers are quite large for the size of the plant, a real stunner! A striking plant for a container, terrarium or shaded rockery. Should be quite hardy. Probably the most spectacular wild gesneriad I have ever observed in the wilds of China. (0?) **RSBG** \$21.00 🙌




___ ***Camellia japonica*** '**Bob Hope**' One of the most striking camellias in our collection. This selection features very large and very dark red flowers in mid- to late spring. Very glossy foliage, best in light shade. Quite lovely and uncommon in cultivation. Our first offering of one of the most commented upon plants in the garden (when in flower). (0) **RSBG** \$37.00  





___ ***Camellia*** '**Scented Sun**' One of the few fragrant-flowered camellias. This cultivar has very large fragrant white flowers that age to pale pink and finally a deep pink before falling (the entire flower falls off in this selection). A large boss of yellow stamens completes the package. Easy and best in light shade due to the relatively late blooming season (June in the RSBG). (0) **RSBG** \$29.00  


___ ***Camellia*** '**Waterlily**' One of the earliest flowering camellias in our collection. This cultivar has very large, pure pink, formal, semi-double flowers (tight whorls of concentric petals with no central stamens) that appear in late February to early March with us. A strong upright grower with the bonus of the entire flower falling off when it is finished (no unsightly brown flower remnants hanging on for weeks). (0) **RSBG** \$29.00  


___ ***Carpenteria californica*** The "California Bush Anemone" is a superb evergreen shrub to small tree with masses of large and pure white "anemone-like" flowers in early summer, these set off with a boss of yellow stamens. Native to California and tolerant of sun with little or no summer irrigation in our climate. Also features peeling gray bark. (0) **RSBG** \$24.00  




___ ***Chamaedaphne calyculata*** '**Nana**' The "Leatherleaf" is a rhododendron relative native to bogs and moist woods in colder parts of the northern hemisphere. It bears colorful foliage densely coated with scales giving the entire plant a "coppery" look. Sprays of small white flowers perch at the ends of the arching branches in early spring. Slowly forms a dense clump. Easy in sun and well-drained soil if you lack a bog. This is the dwarf form - rarely available. (-30) **RSBG#2000/5124** \$17.00 



___ ***Chrysosplenium macrophyllum*** A very unusual and rarely encountered evergreen perennial groundcover for shade in a moist soil or with summer irrigation. The plant sends out long runners (not invasive!) that form new young plantlets (like a strawberry). The fleshy leaves are around six inches in length and obovate in shape and covered with scattered hairs. In earliest spring, small upright inflorescences of light pink (fading to white) flowers are produced. This plant was given rave reviews by Roy Lancaster in *The Garden* magazine. (0) **RSBG** \$16.00


___ ***Clethra acuminata*** (Cinnamon clethra) The southern Appalachian relative of the commonly cultivated Summersweet (*Clethra alnifolia*). This rarely grown deciduous shrub has similar panicles of **fragrant** white flowers in summer. Yellow fall foliage color. I particularly admire the glossy, smooth and peeling mahogany bark. Native to cliffs and mountainsides. Larger-growing than *C. alnifolia*. These are grown from seed collected wild in Kentucky. (-5) **RSBG#193sd2021** \$9.00-B    



___ ***Columnnea microphylla*** A member of the Gesneriaceae (African Violet family) native to the cloud forests of Central America where it grows on mossy cliffs and as an epiphyte in trees. This is an evergreen herbaceous perennial with slowly creeping and long pendulous stems. The paired small leaves are round and the whole plant is softly hairy. Bright scarlet, tubular flowers with yellow throats appear at every leaf joint. (+25?) **RSBG** \$17.00-B 

___ ***Disporopsis perneyi*** This is a delightful small and fully evergreen relative of lilies, *Smilacina* (False Solomon's Seal) and *Polygonatum* (True Solomon's Seal). This glossy-leaved, choice woodland perennial will very slowly increase, spreading slightly each year to form a small-scale groundcover. Hanging white bell-like flowers in spring. A very attractive small companion for rhododendrons and other woodland shrubs. Perfect with ferns and hostas and even **tolerant of dry shade**. (0) **RSBG** \$9.00 

___ ***Hedychium densiflorum*** A stunning ginger-lily with a seven-inch long terminal raceme of fragrant deep orange "orchid-like" flowers in late summer. A bold foliage plant that will reach three or more feet in height. This is one of the hardiest species, we have large colonies scattered among the big-leaved rhododendrons that have sailed through the past few severe winters with no damage. These are grown from seed collected from plants grown from a wild collection in the eastern Himalaya (KCSH#0386). Very uniform and beautiful deep orange flowers in dense inflorescences. A great companion to rhododendrons. Sun or light shade. (0) **RSBG** \$11.00-B   

___ ***Iris cristata*** A superb companion plant for rhododendrons and other woodland plants. This very dwarf, slowly creeping iris has narrow, bright green leaves only 3 or 4 inches in length. The bright blue flowers appear on very short stalks in mid-spring. Forms a slowly spreading groundcover under rhododendrons and amongst wildflowers and ferns also great in a rockery or in a trough. (-15) **RSBG** Blooming size plants for \$14.00  

___ ***Itea ilicifolia*** An interesting and very beautiful evergreen shrub that is rarely seen in cultivation. This species has glossy, holly-like, coarsely-toothed foliage but with a thinner, softer texture than most commonly cultivated hollies. Long and pendulous racemes of small whitish flowers hang from the branch tips in late summer. The racemes can be up to a foot in length and provide an absolutely stunning display when in full blossom. Best in sun with some heat to properly ripen the wood. Native to western China. (+5) **RSBG** \$23.00 

___ ***Juniperus recurva* var. *coxii*** (ex. **KCSH#0384**) Our first offering of what is a very rare conifer in cultivation. This is an extremely ornamental and attractive evergreen tree with long pendulous branches and a pendulous, though upright-growing, terminal leader.  

Beautiful peeling bark and bright, blue-green foliage. These are grown from seed collected from the specimens here in the garden grown from my collection of seed in the eastern Himalaya. **RSBG** (-10?) \$23.00

___ ***Lilium mackliniae*** A rarely grown species lily named by the famous plant hunter Frank Kingdon Ward for his wife. Endemic to the Naga Hills of NE India where it grows on grassy slopes amongst various rhododendrons including *macabeanum* and *johnstoneanum*. This species grows to around two feet in height with nodding and open bell-shaped flowers ranging from exquisite pale to deep pink or rarely white in late spring – stunning. A fantastic and choice species of great beauty and charm. Best in a well-drained but organic soil with summer irrigation, sun or light shade. (0) **RSBG** Blooming-size bulbs for \$14.00 🌱👍

___ ***Lilium pardalinum* ssp. *vollmeri*** SEH#16014 A west coast native species, this lily is typically found in moist habitats. This is a “turk’s cap” species with strongly reflexed tepals, these typically in shades of orange to yellow-orange, spotted with magenta. This is an excellent species for the garden with rhizomatous bulbs that slowly increase to form nice clumps. Native to the Siskiyou and Klamath mountains. These are grown from seed collected in the wild. (0) **RSBG** \$16.00 🌱👍

___ ***Magnolia obovata* (syn: *M. hypoleuca*)** The Japanese Big-leaf Magnolia, this is a deciduous tree up to around 80 feet in height (after many decades!). While this species does not have leaves quite as large as those of the North American *M. macrophylla*, they are still quite large and impressive. The large white fragrant flowers (late spring to early summer) are equally impressive, up to ten inches across once the tepals have reflexed out. This is a stunning plant in the landscape and is rarely offered for sale. These are seedlings from our grove of five specimens of wild origin growing near the Visitor Center in the garden which are always among the most asked about plants in the garden. (-5) **RSBG** \$32.00 🌱👍

___ ***Meconopsis* ‘Lingholm’** This highly sought after selected perennial form of the Himalayan Blue Poppy has incredible flowers - each a stunning rich blue and up to six inches wide. A real show-stopper. The large golden hairy rosettes of foliage send up flowering stalks to over three feet from late spring to early summer. We now have hundreds of mature and established, blooming specimens of this beautiful plant growing successfully in our “Meconopsis Meadow” at the RSBG. Best in a rich soil that does not dry out. (-20) **RSBG** \$11.00-B

___ ***Meconopsis paniculata* (ex. KCSH#0377)** A relative of the famous Himalayan Blue Poppy differing in the very tall stalk bearing numerous large, usually yellow flowers atop evergreen rosettes of strikingly handsome, very hairy, foliage. Similar cultural requirements. From plants grown from seed collected wild in the Sino-Himalaya. A very rarely offered plant from the high alpine slopes of the Himalayas. (-20) **RSBG** \$9.00-B

___ ***Paeonia mairei* (ex. SEH#058)** This is a fantastic herbaceous peony with stunning large flowers and glossy deep green foliage. The leaves rise to around one or so feet in height and have a pattern of deeply impressed veins. The flowers (mid-spring) are single with deep rose-pink petals and a bright gold boss of stamens. The individual flowers can be up to five inches across. One of the few peonies that performs best in shade (treat it like a woodland wildflower). A really choice species. (-15) **RSBG** \$12.00-B 🌱



___ ***Paxistima canbyi*** An interesting evergreen ground-covering shrublet that slowly spreads by underground runners to form a very dense mat of narrow and glossy, toothed leaves. Native to the Appalachian Mountains in the eastern US, there is only one other species in this genus – *Paxistima myrsinites* which is a large evergreen non-running shrub native to western mountains (Rockies, Cascades, etc.). Fine in light or even deep shade and somewhat tolerant of dry conditions once established. Not for full sun locations. Unlike its western relative *P. canbyi* is quite rare in the wild. A fantastic and rarely offered plant for the woodland garden or rockery. (-15) **RSBG** \$24.00 🌱👍


___ ***Petrocosmea cryptica*** A member of the Gesneriaceae (African Violet family) native to China where it grows on mossy cliffs and rock faces. This is an evergreen herbaceous perennial with a very tight basal rosette of shiny and softly hairy, toothed and felted leaves from which arises very short stems topped with small white “snapdragon-like” flowers. A striking plant for a container, terrarium or shaded rockery. (+10) **RSBG** Blooming-size plants \$27.00 🌱


___ ***Pleione formosana*** This is one of the best and easiest of a genus of beautiful dwarf terrestrial orchids that can be grown successfully outdoors in many climates (we have had a clump blooming outside for many years in the Alpine Garden here at the RSBG). Probably best in a container or on an old stump or log. Will be shipped as a blooming-size dormant bulb. (+5) **RSBG** \$12.00

___ ***Podophyllum aurantiocaulis*** A newly introduced and quite stunning perennial Asian Mayapple with large and leathery, glossy green foliage. Each boldly toothed leaf is attached to its stem in the middle (like an umbrella). Unlike the more commonly grown *P. pleianthum* the hanging flowers of this species are pure white and the egg-sized fruits are bright red. Looks best in shade with a rich moist soil for the largest and most robust foliage. A real special feature in the garden. (0) **RSBG** \$16.00-B 🌱


___ ***Podophyllum pleianthum*** A stunning perennial Asian Mayapple with large and leathery, glossy green foliage. Each boldly toothed leaf is attached to its stem in the middle (like an umbrella). The hanging clusters of large dark red flowers are followed by egg-sized yellow fruits. Looks best in shade with a rich moist soil for the largest and most robust foliage. A real special feature in the garden. (0) **RSBG** \$13.00-B 🌱


___ ***Polygonatum vietnamicum*** A newly described species of Solomon's Seal, this species can attain heights of 10-12 feet in a rich soil with summer irrigation. What is even more outstanding however are the large flowers which hang in clusters from the axils of the long and narrow, whorled leaves. The stunning flowers are up to 1.5 inches long(!) and tubular in shape, bright red in color with solid green lobes - a striking combination. Perfect planted under large rhododendrons or other shrubs or small trees as the long stems of the Solomon's Seal will appreciate the support provided by their woody neighbors. (-5) **RSBG** \$11.00-B  



___ ***Primula kisoana*** A creeping (but not invasive) and low-growing deciduous groundcover primrose from the montane forests of Japan. This choice species has soft and fuzzy, maple-like leaves typically topped by clusters of deep lavender flowers in spring. Very desirable and perfect under rhododendrons or in the woodland garden. (-10) **RSBG** \$12.00-B 


___ ***Primula kisoana forma alba*** A creeping (but not invasive) and low-growing deciduous groundcover primrose from the montane forests of Japan. This choice species has soft and fuzzy, maple-like leaves topped by clusters of pure white flowers in spring. Very desirable and perfect under rhododendrons or in the woodland garden. (-10) **RSBG** \$12.00-B 



___ ***Primula moupinensis* SEH#086** A creeping semi-evergreen primrose that forms a solid mat of foliage under rhododendrons and other shrubs. Sends out numerous runners and quickly forms a nice-looking, low maintenance groundcover. Small pale pink flowers in early spring. Requires shade and summer irrigation in dry summer climates (similar culture to rhododendrons). My collection from 9,500 ft. in the Sino-Himalaya. (-5) **RSBG** \$9.00-B


___ ***Primula prolifera*** A fantastic primrose with whorls of bright yellow flowers in early summer. One of the candelabras, the flowering stems can reach over three feet in height. Very easy and showy in a moist soil in sun or light shade. One of the easiest of the species primulas, this provides a bold splash of color after the rush of spring. Perfect with blue or purple iris. Tolerant of soggy, even wet soils. (-10) **RSBG** \$9.00-B 


___ ***Primulina dryas*** A member of the Gesneriaceae (African Violet family) native to China where it grows on mossy cliffs and rock faces. This is an evergreen herbaceous perennial with a basal rosette of softly hairy leaves featuring white marbling in the veins providing a stunning display of variegated foliage. The flowers are borne upon short upright stems and are blue and white in color. A striking plant for a container, terrarium or shaded rockery. (+10) **RSBG** Blooming-size plants \$27.00 



___ ***Pyrrosia species (lingua affinity?)* SEH#12547** A slowly creeping evergreen fern with entire leaves (not dissected and "ferny" looking) that are lanceolate in shape and up to a foot or so in length. The foliage is quite thick and leathery and the lower leaf surface has a silvery-rufous indumentum. Slowly spreads by aboveground rhizomes and eventually forms a small-scale, very dense groundcover. Seems to be quite hardy here so far and best in shade. My collection from SE Asia. (0?) **RSBG** \$39.00  

___ ***Saxifraga hirsuta* 'Watermelon Froth'** A slow-growing and very low-growing evergreen groundcover which slowly creeps along in sun or shade as long as the soil does not become too dry. The thickly textured whorled leaves are deeply toothed and quite attractive. In early summer large panicles with masses of tiny, starchy pink flowers shoot up from the tight mat of compact foliage. Each individual flower is quite small but the overall appearance is quite striking. Our own selection, this clone really stands out from all the others we have grown. (-10) **RSBG** \$14.00 


___ ***Schefflera lociana* YuGu#037** First introduction into cultivation of this rare species. The foliage is smaller and finer in texture than the familiar *S. delavayi* but quite smooth and shiny on the upper surface. Typical large inflorescences of masses of small greenish flowers followed by purple-black berries. Hardiness unknown at this point although it was growing with rhododendrons and other temperate plants in its native habitat. From seed collected wild in a newly explored region along the Yunnan/Vietnam frontier. (0) **RSBG#126sd2019** \$29.00-B  


___ ***Sinopanax formosanus*** Our first offering of this monotypic genus in the Araliaceae (ginsengs, scheffleras, aralias, etc.). This has the general appearance of a *Schefflera* species (an evergreen shrub or small tree with very large and ornamental leaves). This species features large, palmate and leathery leaves with a tan indumentum beneath (looking sort of like giant evergreen maple leaves). Native to the high mountains of Taiwan and so quite a bit more tolerant of cold temps than its semitropical look would lead you to believe. A magnificent foliage plant as a stand-alone specimen or as an accent. Best in light shade but sun tolerant in the Pacific NW. (+5?) **RSBG** \$47.00 


___ ***Speirantha convallarioides*** Another woodland member of the lily family, this is a Chinese species with short (to ten inches or so) but glossy and fully evergreen leaves arising from a very slowly spreading underground stem (we're talking very slowly). Small clusters of pure white, starchy flowers in early summer atop six-inch high stems. A real collector's item for the shady garden - quite distinct and rarely offered. These are divisions from an ancient plant that I have grown for many years in my own garden, the origin of which is long lost in the haze of my fading memory. I think that I have finally reached the point where I have actually forgotten more about plants than I currently seem to know. Scary. (0) **RSBG** \$19.00 

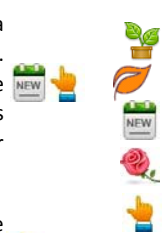
___ ***Stewartia malacodendron*** One of the only two species of *Stewartia* native to North America. The "Silky Camellia" is a rarely cultivated, multi-stemmed small deciduous tree native to shaded bluffs and ravines in the southeastern USA. Quite uncommon in the wild. This species has large white flowers in late spring, these offset with a boss of bluish stamens - quite stunning. Best in light shade.  


Rarely offered, these are grown from seed sent to us by our good friend Peter Norris. The seed was collected wild in northern Georgia. Our first offering. (-10) **RSBG** \$49.00


___ ***Styrax huanus* ex. EN#** Small to medium-sized deciduous trees with an upright and picturesque habit and smooth gray-brown bark. The large, rounded leaves have a few large teeth on the terminal end and a downy layer of hairs on the lower surface. This extremely rare tree (in cultivation) provides a fantastic floral display in late spring when the long drooping terminal racemes of fragrant pure white flowers emerge from the branch tips – truly stunning. This very ornamental tree is easy in cultivation if provided with a well-drained soil in sun or partial shade. Native to eastern Sichuan. (-5?) **RSBG** \$16.00-B 


___ ***Tetracentron sinense* ex. SEH#100** This is a very rare tree in cultivation and is the only member of this genus which is itself the only member of its ancient family. The rounded-ovate deciduous leaves are bullate with a long drawn out tip and the small yellow flowers are borne in pendulous catkin-like spikes in mid-summer. The foliage changes to shades of yellow and chocolate-brown in the autumn. A beautiful species and one of the most interesting of flowering plants. Rarely seen even in arboreta. These are grown from seed collected from a tree in the RSBG grown from my collection of seed in the wild. To quote Bean “it is more than just a botanical curiosity, being handsome in foliage and a picture of great elegance and beauty”. Very special offer. (0) **RSBG** \$34.00 


___ ***Vaccinium glaucoalbum*** This is an evergreen blueberry native to the slopes of the Himalaya Mountains. Typical blueberry flowers of white flushed pink that form actual blueberries. The truly outstanding ornamental feature of this dwarf shrub is the strong bluish cast to the foliage and new growth – quite striking. Great in sun or the woodland garden and perfect with rhododendrons. This form selected for its particularly blue foliage. (0) **RSBG** \$27.00 

___ ***Vaccinium kachinense* SEH#1501** Our first offering of this amazing evergreen blueberry from the cloud forests of the China/Burma frontier. This epiphytic species, like most epiphytic *Vaccinium* and *Agapetes* species, eventually forms a massive lignotuber at its base. This new introduction features glossy, long and relatively narrow leaves in whorls around the long and arching stems. The leaves have deeply impressed veins and are quite attractive. The new growth emerges a glossy reddish-purple with green veins. The hanging panicles of blueberry flowers are pinkish white and rather small individually but the overall appearance is quite eye-catching. Best in a container in colder regions. A stunning foliage plant. (+10?) **RSBG** Only a few this year. \$34.00-B 

___ ***Vaccinium sikkimense* SEH#26033** This is an alpine, evergreen blueberry with beautiful glossy blue-green foliage and typical white flushed pink flowers followed by clusters of blueberries in mid-summer. A very low-growing (to three feet) and slowly-spreading shrub that should be more widely grown. Long a personal favorite, this is best in sun or light shade with summer irrigation. Occurs with alpine rhododendrons such as *forrestii* in the high mountains of the Sino-Himalaya. (0) **RSBG** Large plants for \$29.00 

___ ***Vaccinium/Agapetes* species SEH#27030** An evergreen epiphytic blueberry from the cloud forests of SE Asia. This epiphytic species has glossy and small rounded leaves along the stems. The new growth emerges bright red. The hanging panicles of flowers are quite attractive and very different in appearance compared to those of most the other “blueberries” with which I am familiar. As with the rhododendrons native to this region, this should have some hardiness. Excellent drainage required for success. (+5?) **RSBG** \$14.00-B 

___ ***Ypsilandra thibetica* SEH#165** This is a small herbaceous perennial forming a basal rosette of evergreen, lily-like leaves. The unusual but quite showy cream-white flowers with striking bright blue anthers appear on ten inch, upright racemes in late winter to early spring and are highly fragrant. The flowers are followed by long-lasting reddish calyces that extend the floral display for many weeks. Quite striking and with an incredible fragrance. I keep this in a container so that the plant can be brought indoors during the doldrums of winter. In this way the fragrance and delicate beauty of the flowers can be enjoyed to the fullest. Quite tolerant of normal garden conditions out of the full heat of the sun. From my own introduction of this fantastic plant. Native to SW China where it occurs on shaded, mossy cliffs. (0) **RSBG** \$19.00 

___ ***Zenobia pulverulenta*** A special selection of this ornamental rhododendron relative. This clone has stunning, bright chalky blue foliage and new growth. Large white bells in terminal racemes in early summer. Bright orange and yellow fall foliage color – best in sun with summer irrigation. Native to the coastal plain of the southeastern USA. (-10) **RSBG** \$24.00 

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