

MELROSE GARDENS

Introductions For 1960

FROSTED MINT (Roy Brizendine) (New Era X (Extravaganza x Wabash)) HC '59. The GREEN AMOENA that made such a commotion at the Oklahoma convention in 1959. Not a perfect flower for modern standards but a definite color break: S. clear white, F. green cleanly tinged brown.....NET \$15.00

COPPEROPOLIS (Sanford Babson) (Cordovan X ((Sultan's Robe x Tobacco Road) X (Sultan's Robe x Remembrance)) The brightest copper brown we have seen with huge flowers and very wide parts. The falls flare and the stem is beautifully branched. Vigorous growerNET \$25.00

EARTH ANGEL (Neva Sexton) (Swan Ballet X South Pacific) Another advance in white iris. This pure white with lemon beard has wide domed S. and perfectly round horizontal falls. both being gracefully fluted and ruffled. Nicely branched and 36" tall.NET \$25.00

PACIFIC PANORAMA (Neva Sexton) 42" tall (Swan Ballet X South Pacific). Probably the most spectacular iris we have seen in many a year. This won, almost unanimously, the Certificate for Guest Iris from outside the Region at our Regional meeting this spring. We call it a deep sea blue of medium tone and it is BLUE and very vibrant. Arching closed standards are in very correct proportion to the wide, wide flaring falls, the whole being fluted and ruffled. Add to this a sturdy, exceptionally well branched stem and vigorous growth and you have an iris that will be hard to surpass.....NET \$25.00

ASTRONAUT (Clara Rees) (Yellow Organdy X ((Hall 44-09 X Song of Songs)) HC '59. We picked this one out of the Rees seedling patch and are very happy to reintroduce it with the Rees Gardens. An iris with a great future and a dream of good form with such wide standards and falls that they often overlap at their base. Clear and clean, the color is light sulphur to lemon with a cream area in the falls 30" tall.NET \$15.00

NUDE WITH ORANGE (John Ohl) 36" tall (Sdlg. X Apricot Glory) We may have forced this name on John, but it was a natural! It is an artistic Masterpiece. The color is a smooth Polynesian flesh throughout with a bright orange beard. Form and branching are tops.....NET \$25.00

BLUE MIRAGE (Sass-Graham) 34" tall (Porcelain Blue X Wide World). A cool icy blue that deepens toward the center of the flower. The beard has a blue base and a bright blue lance darts down onto the falls. Wide tailored flower of heavy substance; good branching.....NET \$15.00

GOLDEN WINGS (Sass-Graham) 32" (Sib to Gabriel's Horn). An intense, near orange yellow with closed standards and horizontal falls and both are distinctly ruffled. Extremely bright in the garden and a flower with plenty of personality.NET \$20.00

SCARLET LETTER (Sass-Graham) 36" (Sdlg. of Revel). The petals are broad and well carried and a soft clear white with a bright coral red beard prominently displayed. Well branched and a vigorous grower.....NET \$25.00

HIGH SOCIETY (Sass-Graham) (Sib. to Commendable). The Aristocrat of neglectas. The S. are a clean delicate orchid and the flaring falls a rich velvety red purple with warm brown hafts.NET \$25.00

JUNGLE SHADOWS (Sass-Graham) Border Iris (Black Delight x Black Sdlg.). An exotic color break. The dusky grey base color overblended and flushed with lavender, brown, olive and purple, lightening toward the edges. A deep brown beard leads you into the mysterious heart of the flower.....NET \$15.00

CURTSY (Ruth Stephenson) Miniature Dwarf 9" HC '59. An appealing small one with S. pure white and F. medium violet. A prolific bloomer and a good garden subject.....NET \$5.00

SPRING MIST (Ruth Stephenson) 12" HC '59. Standard dwarf of excellent quality and form. The color is a smooth pastel lavender with a pearly quality.....NET \$5.00

HOW NOW (Ruth Stephenson) 13" (Whitone X Fairy Flax). Something a little different in Standard Dwarfs. A nicely shaped flower in warm white with a turquoise feather below the beard.NET \$5.00

GREEN TRACERY (Caroline Dorman) LOUISIANA IRIS. A large flower, wonderfully shaped, in warm cream with an intricate veining of green over the entire flower. Different and beautiful.NET \$25.00

FRINGED CLOUD (Jack Craig-Hager) JAPANESE IRIS 42" HC '59 (JC#1). Magnificent; a single that is so broad of petal that it gives all the effect of a double. The waving petals are white with a wide border of blue.....NET \$10.00

PENNY ARCADE (Kleinsorge) 26" (Thotmes III X Cascade Splendor) BORDER IRIS. Charming in its bright copper penny brown coloring and full form, this little iris is sure to be a favorite along with Pinata.....NET \$10.00

1959 INTRODUCTIONS

TALL BEARDED IRIS:

PINK DRIFT (Sass-Graham) HM '59 30" vivid and enticing pink.NET \$10.00

COMMENDABLE (Sass-Graham) 36" pastel amoena of real quality.NET \$17.00

BRONZE OVERLAY (Sass-Graham) 36" hot bronze overlaying lighter color.....NET \$5.00

SOFT LIGHT (Sass-Graham) 36" soft cream yellow with a glow.NET \$7.50

GENTLE LADY (John Ohl) 36" Silk and Satin in lavender, cream and pink.NET \$15.00

DAWN ROSE (Bennett Jones) 38" sparkling raspberry rose pastel.NET \$12.50

CHAMPAGNE FLIGHT (Babson) 42" champagne color with brown veins.NET \$17.50

CRAZY CLOWN (Babson) 40" buff and pink veined red on haft.NET \$5.00

DWARFS AND MINIATURE TALL BEARDED;

BORDER IRIS AND INTERMEDIATES

TOMORROW (Helen Stevens) 5½" a pure white aphylla out of Thisbe.NET \$5.00

DANCING BEE (Earl Roberts) 11" HM '59. S. Lemon, F. pastel violet.....NET \$6.00

PINK ELF (C. Jonas) Intermediate. Small dainty pink, good color.NET \$5.00

BROWN BANTAM (Jonas) First brown in the Standard Dwarf Class.NET \$5.00

DESERT QUAIL (Earl Roberts) HM '59 MTB. S. yellow, F. plicated white.NET \$3.00

LITTLE DOGIE (Earl Roberts) SDB plicata from Cretica.NET \$6.00

PINATA (Kleinsorge) Border Iris. This one has proven everything we have said about it including an HM in '59 S. lavender, F. gold and buff.....NET \$10.00

FRENCHI (Bennett Jones) HM '59, "as flamboyant as a Parisian chanteuse." Rounded red purple falls and orchid pink S., with a red beard. Border iris.....NET \$10.00

DOLL FESTIVAL (Babson) Border Iris with cream buff S, fuschia F.NET \$5.00

ROBERT MELROSE (J. Melrose) Border. S. bright amber, F. blended plum and brown.....NET \$5.00

ARILBRED INTRODUCTION:

WINDSHADOWS (Ralph Conrad) 40" huge flower on sturdy stalk in exotic grey lavender. Deep bronze beard and hafts. Magnificent.....NET \$20.00

BEARDLESS IRIS INTRODUCTIONS:

WAKEROBIN (Walker Ferguson) Spuria. HM '59. Fine big ruffled white.NET \$15.00

THRUSH SONG (Ferguson) HM '59 Spuria. Deep glowing violet; yellow and bronze blaze.....NET \$15.00

GOOD NATURE (Ferguson) Spuria. Bright sulphur yellow. Wide.NET \$15.00

WHOOPEE (Caroline Dorman) Louisiana Iris. Very wide carmine flower with big deep yellow signal. Flat open form. NET \$5.00

DAYLILY INTRODUCTIONS:

- GLOW WORM (W. B. Davis) Gleaming orange scarlet, neat clump.NET \$7.50
- GLADSONG (W. B. Davis) Deep velvety peach, or velvety melon.NET \$25.00
- ROSE LESLIE (W. B. Davis) Salmon buff veined rose salmonNET \$7.50
- DEBBIE (W. B. Davis) Wide 3" flower; maize dusted purple.NET \$10.00

1958 INTRODUCTIONS

- HIDDEN FIRE (Sass-Graham) delft rose out of pink breeding.NET \$5.00
- GABRIEL'S HORN (Sass-Graham) HM '58 vivid orange yellow.NET \$15.00
- BLUE SHADE (Sass-Graham) intense vibrant violet blue.NET \$2.50
- MARION HAMILTON (Earl Roberts) smooth peach velvet.NET 7.50
- INNUENDO (Sanford Babson) blended of beige, brown and rose.NET \$12.50
- NONA (Roy Davidson) chartreuse yellow of fine form and subs.NET \$15.00
- FILAGREE (J. Melrose) Very laced yellow self. Best We've seen.NET \$15.00

MEDIANS AND DWARFS:

- PEARL CUP (Harold Knowlton) Border Iris 26", domed, pure white standards, ruffled, pale blue falls, edged white.NET \$2.00
- CRICKETT (Harold Knowlton) Border Iris 27". Flaming orange yellow with a smooth red brown glaze over the falls.NET \$2.00
- LITTLE ROSY WINGS (Geddes Douglas) Standard Dwarf 12". Rosy standards and flaring rose red falls.NET \$1.00
- PARAKEET (E. Roberts) very limited supply. MBT. Buff and violet.NET \$3.00
- BARIUM GOLD (Roberts) yellow pumila with an orange beardNET \$2.50

SPURIA IRIS:

- PEACHES AND CREAM (Taylor) cream and deep yellow NET 5.00

DAYLILY INTRODUCTIONS:

- SID DuBOSE (W. B. Davis) warm cinnamon orange. Fine form.NET \$10.00
- BEN HAGER (W. B. Davis) Biggest red maroon, very wide and showy.NET \$10.00

NOVELTY SHOP:

- BLAZE AWAY (Babson) Amber with a feathered maroon signal.NET \$3.50
- GUNSMOKE (E. Roberts) Smoky plum brown with orange beard.NET \$3.50

1957 INTRODUCTIONS

- DUTCH DOLL (Sass-Graham) HM '59. Outstanding violet and white plicata.NET \$10.00
- TROPICANA (Sass-Ohl) Fancy plicata in wine and cream shades.NET \$3.50
- MALLOW LACE (Sass-Graham) Still one of the best of the lace varieties on the market. Deep mallow pink with heavy lacing on petals.NET \$20.00

MINIATURE DWARF:

- BROWNETT (Earl Roberts) bright variegata pumila.NET \$2.00

SPURIA IRIS:

- RUFFLED GOLD (Taylor) Proving to be one of the best in the deep yellow class.NET \$3.00

DAYLILY INTRODUCTION:

- TROPIC SUN (W. B. Davis) Velvety orange, notable for its depth of color and wide lily like form.NET \$5.00

1956 INTRODUCTIONS

- QUIEN SABE (Alice White) MTB fine little yellow blend with open S.NET \$1.00
- AMETHYST STAR (Sid DuBose) LOUISIANA IRIS. Amethyst with all parts of equal width and a six pointed star. Proven popular.NET \$3.50

FRIENDS, to all, GREETINGS:

We regret that we cannot put out a full catalog this year, but if we are to keep you as friends, it is best that we do not. Some of our plants will be in good condition this year, but others did not get planted until as late as March, so you see our predicament. We have finished moving with the help of a great many friends, but we have a long way to go before the new place is the way we want it to be. However, we have wonderful soil here and plenty of irrigation water, so you know that the plants will be fine specimens when we can offer them to you again. **FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO ORDER FROM US THIS YEAR JUST USE THE 1959 CATALOG AND ADJUST THE PRICES ACCORDINGLY.** If some of the plants you want are not in good enough condition to send we will refund your money or let you know soon enough to make further choices. **ALL OF THE INTRODUCTIONS LISTED ABOVE WERE PLANTED EARLY AND WILL BE TOP RHIZOMES.**

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NOTE NEW ADDRESS;

OUR NEW LOCATION:

From Stockton, go out East Main Street or turn off Highway 99 at the Main Street overpass and go East. We are 5 miles from Highway 99. Main Street becomes Copperopolis after it gets out of town. Watch for a settled area with houses and streets to the north of Copperopolis Road. We are on Best Lane, just beyond this settlement turn right. If you cross Jack Tone Road, you've gone a half mile too far.

TERMS OF SALE:

Cash with orders. No discounts on Introductions herein listed. Take the discounts offered in our 1959 catalog on any order made from that catalog EXCEPT WHERE THE PRICES ARE MARKED NET such as the bulbous iris and introductions listed there. A postage and handling charge of .50 will be charged for all orders under \$10.00.

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