LLAHE RARE PLANTS



[SPRING 2023 PLANT OFFERING]

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Spring Plant list 2023

Greetings,

It is a big capacity building year for Illahe Rare Plants. We built a dedicated alpine house at the nursery and made some much needed upgrades to the older growing facilities. We still have another greenhouse to build, but since we have some plants on hand and spring is knocking at the door, we figured it is time to get let everyone see what we are growing this spring. This inaugural spring catalog has been many years in the making, and we hope you find something that suits your garden. We will still offer our wonderful selection of summer dormant flower bulbs with a catalog in mid to late summer and we have a lot of great plants on the propagation benches coming for a great fall catalog of alpine and rock garden plants as well.

Shipping will start as soon as the catalog is published and we will continue shipping for 3 weeks following the publication of the catalog. We will do our best to update the list as plants begin to sell out. As always, some plants are available in limited quantities, so order right away if you see something you want.

Ordering specifics:

Domestic customers:

Ordering: Please use the fillable order form and email it to me. If a size option is listed, please specify which size you are after. All orders are filled in the order received, so get your order to me as quickly as possible for the best selection. Send orders to **illaherareplants@gmail.com**

Shipping: I will bill you for Priority Mail postage, with the cost depending on the order size received. You will get a total when your order is processed.

Payment: All plants and bulbs are available in limited quantities and you may not receive everything you want. You will be billed for your order, with a PayPal invoice, or Venmo if that is your preference, please specify on the order form. You will receive an invoice in the email and I will ship when you have paid. If payment is not received within three days of invoicing your order will be canceled.

International Customers: Unfortunately, due to time constraints with paper work and permitting, this spring's offering will only be shipping domestically. I do make frequent trips to B.C. Canada, so let me know if you are interested in something specific or want to do a group order. I plan to offer the fall catalog for international shipping if possible.

Please feel free to forward this list to anyone who might be interested.

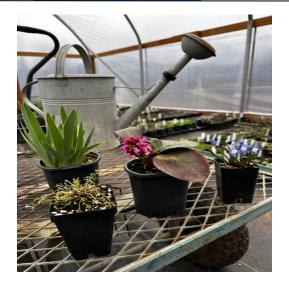
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Mark Akimoff

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Plant sizes:

Potted plants are available in
4.33" Shuttle pots, which are a slightly
Taller, rounder version of a 4" as well
As 2.25"x 3.25" Anderson rose pots.
Where a choice is available, please
Specify size on the order form.



Potted Plants and Trees:

- 1. **Agave parryi** Alplains70074.25 A hardy seed grown selection of this showy succulent from 6,800' in New Mexico's Mimbre Mountains. 2" -\$5
- 2. **Androsace albana** Cute little spring drumsticks of white, yellow centered flowers on this crevice/ rock garden/trough plant. Turkey-Armenia Sold Out
- 3. **Androsace sempervivoides 'Susan Joan' -** Spreading mat forming selection, tough and hardy with pink/yellow flowers in spring. Trough/crevice/rock garden. Sold Out
- 4. **Antennaria neglecta ssp. gaspensis -** An alpine pussytoes from Newfoundland and Quebec, makes wonderful mats of shiny, silver foliage, great in the rock garden.
- 5. **Aquilegia flabellata** Compact Columbine with beautiful blue and white flowers, from Japan-Korea. Rock garden/crevice garden/front of border. 2"-\$6
- 6. **Arbutus zalapensis var. texana** From our own seed grown specimen at Illahe, this exceptional specimen tree has been hardy down to 12 degrees. Great form for the rock garden, beautiful peeling bark, evergreen foliage, and fragrant flowers followed by showy berries. Exceptionally drought tolerant 2"-\$10
- Arenaria capillaris-Our own seed selection from Oregon's Western Cascades, growing on steep loose screes along East facing slopes with *Eriogonum umbellatum* and *Lilium washingtonianum*. Many starry white flowers above mats of creeping foliage. Sold Out
- 8. **Asphodelus aest vus** Tall spikes of pink/white flowers above strappy foliage Like a foxtail lily. Mediterranean species, for well-drained soil and sunny spot in the border/ back of rock garden. Band pot-\$8.00
- 9. **Aster 'Alice Haslam'** Outstanding dwarf, late summer/early fall bloomer smothered with electric rose-pink flowers, adds long season interest to the rock garden/front of border. Shuttle pot-\$8
- 10. **Bellium minutum** Tight mats of green foliage and masses of darling white daisies, great creeper for rock garden/crevice/trough/path edge. 2"-\$6

- **11.** Campanula aucheri Dwarf species with beautiful spring blue bell flowers, excellent for rock garden/crevice garden/trough. Iran/Turkey 2"-\$10
- **12.** Centaurea pindicola Silver grey leaves, and intricate white flowers on this mat forming species. Great moon garden, rock garden or front of the dry border. Balkans. Shuttle pots \$8
- **13.** *Centaurea simplicaulis -* Silver grey leaves, mat forming. light pink flowers Great moon garden, rock garden and tidy enough for a spot in the crevice garden. Turkey. 2"-\$6
- **14.** Chilopsis linearis Desert Willow, with awesome pink, foxglove like flowers. We have grown this as a patio plant in a large pot and also as an exceptional bonsai with some training. Super drought tolerant tree ours have been hardy to 17 degrees. 4"-\$10
- **15.** Chrysanthemum weyrichii Mat-forming mum with large pink daisies. Super showy and hardy species for the rock garden. Native to Japan/Sakhalin. 2"-\$8
- **16. Cymbidium goeringii** Hardy terrestrial orchid from Japan/Taiwan, fragrant green/white flowers in early spring. Band pot-\$25 limit- 1 per customer
- 17. Dactylorhiza hybrids Hardy terrestrial orchids with stunning purple mottled foliage and tall, showy flower spikes ranging from light pink to purple. These have mixed parentage likely of *D. fuschsii*, *D. maculata*, and *D. majalis*. Shuttle pots-\$15
- **18.** Dasylirion leiophyllum Large, succulent shrub with strap shaped leaves, for dryland/xeric garden, mature specimens have flower stalks to 20' tall. Desert Southwest. 2"-\$6
- **19.** Dasylirion wheeleri Slightly smaller than *D. leiophyllum*, this species matures at about 4-6', for dryland/xeric gardens. Desert Southwest. 2"-\$6
- **20.** Dianthus subacaulis Tight cushions of silver-grey leaves, and bright pink flowers, outstanding rock garden/crevice garden specimen. European alps 2"-\$6
- **21. Dianthus** x **hybridus** I grew this mix from a North American Rock Garden seed exchange and found them to be outstanding rock garden selections, some with greener/compact foliage and some with spreading silver/foliage great in moon gardens, rockeries and along paths. All have pink-white flowers. Shuttle pot-\$6
- **22.** *Draba hispanica* One of the earliest blooming with darling yellow flowers above tufts of green rosettes. Excellent early bloomer for crevice garden/rock garden, wall planting. Morocco. 2"-\$8
- **23. Draba novolympica** Blooms a bit after *D. hispanica* with shorter stems of bright yellow flowers. Excellent early bloomer for crevice garden/rock garden, wall planting Western US native. 2"-\$8
- **24. Dryas x suendermanii** A natural occurring hybrid between *D. octopetala* and *D. drummondii*, mat forming, creeper with creamy yellow slightly nodding flowers. A classic alpine for rock garden/crevice. 2"-\$12
- **25.** *Erigeron glaucus*-The seaside fleabane is a tough, creeping perennial, super drought tolerant and covered with light pink, yellow centered flowers from late spring to frost. Western Us Native. 2"-\$4
- **26. Frankenia thymifolia** Creeping, ground hugging sub shrub with small light pink flowers in late spring, great rock garden/crevice plant. Southern Spain-North Africa. \$8
- **27. Gypsophila cerastioides 'Pretty Maid'** Mounds of white flowers that fade to a soft pink, a tough perennial for the rock garden and well-behaved enough to try in a large crevice garden. Available in Shuttle pots/2" \$8/\$6
- **28. Hebe decumbens (**Syn, *Veronica decumbens*) Wonderful alpine species from New Zealand's South Island, this flat grower has black stems, red margined leaves and white flowers, stunning. 2"-\$8

- **29.** Hebe pinguifolia 'Pagei' I'm a huge fan of Hebe and after this winter's trip to New Zealand have my sights on a few more for the rock garden, this one is a standout, small shrub with grey green leaves and white flowers in early summer. 4"-\$8
- **30.** *Maihuenia poeppigii* Ground cover, succulent, cactus-shrub complete with spikes and large yellow flowers. Great Crevice Garden/rock garden plant. Chile/Argentina. 2" band pot-\$8
- **31. Nolina hibernica 'La sibirica'** Portland's legendary Sean Hogan of Cistus Design Nursery introduced this hardy species from 8,000' up in the Sierra Madre Oriental mountains of Mexico. 2"-\$8
- **32.** Papaver commutatum 'Ladybird' Caucasian, Scarlet poppy, large flowers painted like a lady bird beetle in scarlet and black. Annual for back of rock garden/border. 2"-\$4
- **33.** Papaver croceum ssp. chinense Iceland poppy with variable, yellow or white flowers, above distinctive hairy foliage, Showy species for the rock garden, spring bloom. Shuttle pots-\$6
- **34. Penstemon pinifolius 'Mersea Yellow'** Yellow flowered version of the Pineleaf penstemon, long lived, tough, drought tolerant, long blooming, absolutely must have in any rock/crevice garden. 2"-\$8
- **35.** Penstemon rupicola Our own selection from Southern Oregon's Siskiyou mountains near the Kalmiopsis, light pink flowers and super glaucous blue foliage, outstanding crevice garden plant. Sold out
- **36.** *Phlox subulata* 'Mcdaniels Cushion' Dynamite, pink flowers smother this creeping phlox. Excellent specimen for cascading over rock walls, rock garden edges and crevice garden. 2"-\$8
- **37.** *Phlomis fruticos*a-Jerusalem sage is an easy, spreading perennial with felty silver leaves, and yellow flowers in early summer. Superb space filler for the dry border or tough spot in the garden. Shuttle pot-\$4
- **38.** Rhodanthemum sp. Found this gem in an oceanside nursery in Gualala, California did not think it would be hardy but amazed us by withstanding sheets of ice and temps down to 12 deg. F. This super drought tolerant Moroccan daisy has outstanding silver foliage and covers itself with white daisies during the heat of summer. 2' across and 1' high. Great moon garden/rock garden/xeric plant. 2"-\$6
- **39.** Saxifraga paniculata Classic alpine species with white encrusted leave margins, stoloniferous habit and starry white flowers. 2"-\$6
- **40. Sedum divergens** native Oregon succulent, green leaves turn purple/red in the sun and show off the yellow flowers. Rock Garden/xeric plantings/Crevice gardens. 2"-\$4
- **41. Sedum kamschaticum** Robust stonecrop, with bright yellow flowers, rock garden/xeric planting/crevice garden. Shuttle pots-\$5
- **42. Sedum oregonense** Our wonderful native stonecrop, this selection is from the 5,000' near Mt. Jefferson, growing in scree slopes and rock crevices with *Allium parvum* and *Penstemon rupicola*. 2"-\$4
- **43. Silene** x robotii 'Rollies Favorite' Showstopping campion with large pink flowers starting in early spring. Compact foliage to 18" tall it's large enough for the border, but I use it in the rock garden alongside Daphne, Penstemon and Iberis for a stunning floral display. 2"-\$6
- **44. Silene acaulis 'Frances' -** Moss campion selection with very tight foliage and pale pink flowers. Superb rock garden/crevice plant. 2"-\$12

- **45. Silene acaulis 'Anne Spiegel'** Moss campion selection with, tight mat forming dark green foliage and light pink flowers,
- **46. Silene baumgarteniana** A nice compact catchfly with mounding flowers and pink flowers. For rock, trough, and crevice gardens. From the Mountains of Bulgaria. 2"-\$8
- **47.** *Silene keiskei* I have had this plant with me since I propagated it at the Berry Botanic Garden in the early 2000's. It's a hardy, tough plant for the rock garden, with mat forming foliage and loads of pink flowers from late spring into summer. Sold Out
- **48.** Symplocarpus foetidus var. latissimus The Asian skunk cabbage has super cool, mahogany/maroon spathes shielding a showy, knobby spadix. For moist/bog gardens. Shuttle pots-\$14
- **49. Thymus haussknecthii** An apparently little-known species form the Eastern Anatolian region of Turkey, it has silver leaves and sub shrubby habit. Very fragrant foliage. Studied for its medicinal effects, this is a slow growing species for the rock garden/crevice garden. 2"-\$8
- **50. Thymus pseudolanuginosus -** Wooly thyme creeps over the paths of the rock garden and the grey, felty leaves glow during the full moon. Shuttle pots-\$4
- **51.** Thymus serpyllum 'Elfin' Tight creeping habitat and pink flowers make this a great thyme for edging the paths of the rock garden. 2"-\$3
- **52. xTorelus** 'Bright Red' A fantastic intergeneric hybrid between Monkey flower (I still like to call them Mimulus) and *Torenia* (the wishbone flower), combining some of the best traits of them both. Does well in moist shade, rich soils. Shuttle pots-\$4
- **53. Veronica thymoides** Creeping, mat forming species from Turkey with darling blue flowers in spring. Rock Garden/Crevice Garden. 2"-\$6
- **54.** Yucca nana dwarf soapwort, one of the best for the rock garden especially if you are space limited. From Utah/Colorado. 2"-\$6
- **55.** Yucca reverchonii The San Angelo soapwort from West Texas into Mexico is a great specimen for the dry land/xeric garden. Clumps to 3' tall and wide but eventually flower spikes reach up to 8' tall. 2"-\$6
- **56.** Yucca torrei Another West Texas species for the dryland/xeric garden. This species can form a trunk and eventually get to 8' tall. 2"-\$6

Potted Bulbs-these are mostly in 2" Anderson Rose pots, a great size for tucking into crevice gardens and rock garden plantings. We will have our usual large summer/fall bulb catalog out this year, but for those looking to get a start on a fall show or get a better start to spring, these are an excellent value. Notesome of the early bloomers may be beginning to senesce.

- Allium cyathophorum ssp. farreri Purple flowered species, to about 14" tall, can take some summer water. \$4
- 2. Allium ex. Leach Botanical Garden A yellow flowered species something like Allium 'Moly' or maybe closer to Allium coryi, this was originally from Portland's famed Leach Botanical Garden. It's a great late spring bloomer that requires absolutely no care or summer water. Sold Out
- **3. Allium senescens var. glaucum** Super showy from its twisting mostly evergreen leaves, compact habit and sturdy drumsticks of purple flowers produced in profusion, great for trough, rock, crevice gardens. \$5
- **4. Allium unifolium** Light pink flowers, a great native west coaster for the dry garden. Increases moderately.\$4

- 5. Biarum tenuifolium ssp. abbreviatum Blackish spathes, flowers late summer early fall. Sold out
- 6. Chionodoxa 'Valentine's Day' Blue, starry shaped flowers, early, Pair with C. hungaricum 'Valentine', for a great early show in troughs, pots or rock garden \$3
- **7. Colchicum davisii** Pale pink but wonderfully tessellated flowers, this species from the Amanas mountains often blooms in early September here. Turkey Sold Out
- **8. Crocus kotschyanus 'Reliant'** A strong-flowering selection of the species, very reliable performer, putting out large soft pink blooms in September and naturalizing well. \$4
- 9. Crocus sativus I have been on a mission to grow saffron in my native Oregon for some time now in hopes of funding my eventual retirement with the world's most expensive spice. Having struggled with many of the Dutch forms for years, I finally found a Spanish selection that seems to increase well and set flowers. \$4
- 10. Crocus scepusiensis -early spring bloomer from Poland's Tatra mountains, when I was a kid we stayed a summer camp in the high Tatra's (my dads work involved a lot of travel to Eastern Europe and the soviet bloc). I was swimming at the lake with my brother and climbed up on a dock, only to have a rotten board break and stick a rusty screw through my foot, complete with a 2' long chunk of algae covered 2x4 attached to it, my brother was too scared to remove the wood and screw attached to my foot so I hopped a ¼ mile back to camp with it attached. I remember having the foot cleaned at a local hospital, no anesthetic and a tooth brush scrubbing iodine through the hole in my foot. I don't remember the wildflowers but I definitely remember the experience. Sold Out
- 11. Galanthus fosteri Dainty species, perfect for the rock and crevice gardens. Short statured and well-behaved. Turkey/Lebanon. Sold Out
- **12.** Hyacinthoides vincientina This is the finest of specimens for the rock/crevice garden, beautiful blue flowers with dark purple anthers above tufts of foliage, tidy and compact and a vigorous grower for a dry, sunny or partly shady spot. Portugal Sold out
- 13. Muscari pallens Small species, white to very pale blue flowers, increases modestly. Sold Out
- **14.** Narcissus Winter Blooming Mix This is a fantastic way to get your winter garden started with a mix selection of the N. cantabricus and its allies such as N. romieuxii and N. albidus, etc. All are winter blooming. \$4
- 15. Narcissus romieuxii 'Julia Jane' Deep yellow widely flared "hoop petticoat" flowers, very early.\$4
- **16.** Narcissus wilkommii A deep yellow Jonquilla species with a large corona, early-mid spring bloomer. Sold out
- **17.** Rhodohypoxis baurii 'Pintado' A sweet little selection with white/rose pink flowers. Great in trough/crevice/rock gardens. \$5
- **18.** *Triteleia peduncularis* Tall; big white-and-purple flowers on very long pedicels, inflorescence can be a foot across; plant deeply \$4
- 19. Zephyranthes la buffa rosa An interesting strain of the rain lily, these are mixed white and pinks, but they are quite hardy at least down into the teens, and have done well out in the garden in western Oregon where we get copious amounts of winter and spring rains. Showy flowers in the fall. Sold Out
- **20. Zephyranthes x morrisclintii** A hybrid between *Z. drummondii* and *Z. lindleyana*, these make beautiful white flowers like a miniature Amaryllis, let dry out and then give a good soaking to keep them producing flowers. \$5



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