



Iris Albicans

Known as Cemetery Iris as is planted on Muslim cemeteries.

Two different species use this name; the commoner is just a white form of Iris germanica, widespread in the Mediterranean. This is widely available in the horticultural trade under the name of albicans, but it is not true to name.

True Iris albicans which we are offering here occurs only in Arabia and Yemen.

It is some 60cm tall, with greyish leaves and one to three, strongly and sweetly scented, 9cm flowers. The petals are pure, bone-white. The bracts are pale green. (The commoner interloper is found across the Mediterranean basin and is not entitled to the name, which continues in use however. The wrongly named albicans, has brown, papery bracts, and off-white flowers).

Our stock was first found near Sana'a, Yemen and is thriving here, outside, in a sunny, raised bed.



Iris chrysographes Black Form

Clumps of narrow, iris-like foliage. Tall sprays of darkest violet to almost black velvety flowers, Jun-Sept. Ht 40cm. Moist, well drained soil. Part shade.

Deepest Purple which is virtually indistinguishable from black. Moist soil. Ht. 50cm

Iris chrysographes Dykes (William Rickatson Dykes, 1911, China); Section *Limniris*, Series *Sibericae*; 14-18" (35-45 cm), B7D; Flowers dark reddish violet with gold streaks in the signal area giving it its name (golden writing); Collected by E. H. Wilson in 1908, in China; *The Gardeners' Chronicle* 49: 362. 1911. *The Curtis's Botanical Magazine*. tab. 8433 in 1912, gives the following information along with the color illustration.

"The handsome *Iris* here figured was discovered in Western Szechuan in 1908, where it was found by Mr. E. H. Wilson growing in thickets near Kuan Hsien at elevations of from 7,000 to 11,000 feet above sea level. The plant from which the material for our plate was obtained was grown by Mr. W. R. Dykes in his garden at Charterhouse, Godalming, from a seedling raised by Miss Wilmott in her garden at

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Warley Place, Essex. It came into flower towards the end of May, 1911. A freely floriferous species and at the same time one of the most richly colored of these now in cultivation, *I. chrysographes* promises to prove a favorite garden plant. As Mr. Dykes has pointed out in the *Gardeners' Chronicle*, the species is a member of the "Sibirica" group, and is closely allied to *I. Forrestii*, Dykes, but differs in colour of flower and in habit; it also flowers somewhat earlier than *I. Forrestii*. Among the more familiar species in collections it also approaches rather closely to *I. laevigata*, Fisch., but may be at once distinguished by its narrower, more sharply pointed spathes. The rich dark purple flowers with their velvety texture render the plant a very conspicuous object; the colour is well set off by the central line and the broken flanking streaks of golden yellow. These flanking streaks vary somewhat in number and extent, sometimes they are almost absent and only the central golden yellow line appears. Another species closely related to *I. chrysographes* is *I. Delavayi*, Micheli, from Yunnan, which has, however, a different capsule and seeds, and as a garden plant is readily distinguished by its taller stature and by its blue purple flowers with white markings. Mr. Dykes finds that *I. chrysographes* is not difficult to grow in any


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	<p>soil that is fairly rich in humus and is not heavily charged with lime. It appears not to demand either the excessive moisture or the very retentive soil in which <i>I. Delavayi</i> best succeeds.</p> <p>Description.---Herb; rhizome rather slender, giving off several rather slender unbranched stems, hollow with a narrow lumen, about 1 ¼--1 ½ ft. high, bearing 1-2 reduced leaves and 1-2 flowers. Leaves linear, much narrowed upwards, acute, curving outwards, 1 ¼-1 ½ ft. long, ¼-1/3 in. wide, green. Spathes narrow, green, acute, 2-2 ½ in. long. Pedicels 1-1 ½ in. long. Perianth with tube about 5 lin. Long; outer segments much deflexed; blade oblong- or almost obovate-elliptic, 2 in. long, 1 in. wide, brilliant dark purple-violet, velvety papillose, marked in the center with golden yellow lines and streaks; claw linear-oblong, 1-1 ¼ in. long, reddish purple, finely dotted with golden yellow; inner segments erect, oblong, obtuse, narrowed below into a claw, altogether 2 ¼- 2 ½ in. long, 4-5 lin. Wide, dark purple-violet. Style with deep purple arms, their crests with ovate blunt lobes. Stamens with filaments about 8 lin. Long, anthers 6 lin. Long. Ovary 8 lin. Long. References: Dykes, <i>The Genus Iris</i> 26. 1913, illustrated in color; Barr 1915; Van T. 1916; Van W. 1916; 1938; Per. 1924; 1938; Starker 1938; F & F 1939; A.M., R.H.S. 1914, shown by Dykes; <i>Journal of the Royal</i></p>
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	<p>Horticultural Society 40: 2, cxxxiii. Nov. 1914; Waddick & Zhao, Iris of China, 1992, illustrated in color; syn. Goldvein Iris. Chromosome counts: n=20, 2n=40-Simonet 1932</p> <p>Iris chrysographes cultivars: 'Black Beauty', 'Black Knight', 'Black Velvet', 'Bowles' Black', 'Chrysograhes Nigra', 'Chrysograhes Picturata', 'Id', 'Inshriach', 'Kew Black', 'Rubella', 'Southcomb Velvet', 'Stjernesud'.</p>
	<p>Iris chrysographes Black Beauty Description: Deepest indigo blue flowers, with elegant gold markings. June. Ht. 46cm. Sp. 30cm. Moist soil. Sun or part shade.</p> <p>Michael Loftus' personal rating: Michael Loftus rating 9/10</p> <p>Growing Conditions: This plant is suitable for growing under all the following conditions: Seaside gardens. Hardiness: Hardy. Sun. Moist soil. Bog. Heavy clay. Neutral soil. Acidic soil.</p> <p>Foliage: Leaf colour: Green. Deciduous. Flower: Flower colour: Black. Suitable as cut flower. Single flower. Flowering season: Jun. Flower has no Scent. Seed: Decorative heads: Brown. Seed Months: Jul. Aug. Animal Resistant:</p>

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	<p>Special Uses: Plant is deer proof. Plant is rabbit proof. Plant is naturalising.</p>
	<p>Iris Chrys. 'Black Gold' Tall sprays of darkest blue to almost black velvety flowers are delicately marked with golden lines. Flws: May/Jun. Ht 2-3ft. Moist, well drained soil. Part shade.</p>

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Iris chrys. 'Black Knight'
Tall bearded iris. Large very dark velvety blue flws, almost black. Fragrant. Ht 3ft. Flws May-Jun. Clumps of grey green sword like foliage. Well drained soil, sunny position.



Iris chrys. Inshriach Form

A striking species and the closest that any Iris comes to having black flowers. They are not true black, but such is the depth of colour of their velvety deep-purple petals that they appear so.

The yellow scribing on the crest gives the Latin name which means "golden writing". The Inshriach form was selected for its solid, deep colour by Jack Drake at the nursery of the same name. The narrow, foliage perfectly complements the flowers which are made throughout the summer.

Well-drained yet moist, humus-rich soil on the acid side, for perfection. This should not dry out when in growth.

Our plants will be single-nosed, established divisions made last year which are freshly-lifted from the open ground for sale, an important factor as they transplant badly unless handled quickly and correctly.



Iris Ensata Caprician Butterfly

Delicate white blooms with deep purple centres and striking purple veining make this RHS AGM variety unmistakable. Prized for their large, open flowers, these oriental beauties are the last to flower in the Iris family, but well worth waiting for. The exquisite blooms of Iris ensata 'Caprician Butterfly' are perfect for adding to cut flower arrangements. Japanese Iris enjoy a reliably moist, boggy soil making them ideal for marginal planting around ponds. Height: 90cm (36"). Spread: 30cm (12"). Bareroot plants supplied.

A very beautiful, unusual iris. Large, double white flws with purple-blue veins. Small curling, purple blue styles and yellow signals. Flws: Jun-Jul. Ht 80cm. Well drained, rich, acidic soil. Full sun or light shade.

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Iris Ensata Edens Harmony
White flowers with a pink blush
Height 85cms

Iris Ensata Edens Starship
Deep purple flowers with yellow centre
Height 85cms

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Electric Rays at Sans Souci Nursery



Iris Ensata Electric Rays

1990, Aitken
'Electric Rays' (J. Terry Aitken, R. 1990)
Sdlg. 83J-1-12. JI (6 F.), 40" (102 cm), M
Medium violet, with light blue rays
extending from yellow signal to 1/2" from
edge; ruffled. 'Knight In Armor' X 'Reign Of
Glory'. Aitken's Salmon Creek 1990.
Honorable Mention 1992; Award of Merit
1994; Payne Medal 1997.

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Iris Ensata Hue and Cry
Carried above clumps of strap-like foliage, the pretty purple blooms of this eye-catching RHS AGM variety have prominent white veins and yellow and white centres. Prized for their large, open flowers, these oriental beauties are the last to flower in the Iris family, but well worth waiting for. The charming blooms of this showy Japanese Iris are perfect for adding to cut flower arrangements. Iris ensata 'Hue and Cry' enjoys a reliably moist, boggy soil making it ideal for marginal planting around ponds. Height: 90cm (36"). Spread: 30cm (12"). Bare root plants supplied.

1970, Maddocks
'Hue And Cry'(F. Maddocks, R. 1970) Sdlg. M1633. JI, 36" (91 cm), ML Satsuma plum red, boldly veined white, small white area surrounding yellow spear. Sdlg. X sdlg. Melrose Gardens 1970. Honorable Mention 1971, Payne Award 1973

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Iris Ensata Kumo-no-obi

Beautiful light purple flowers in July
Height 90cms

?, Yokohama
'Kumo-No-Obi' (Yokohama Nursery) JI.
Double. Color Class 3.

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Iris Ensata Moonlight Waves

White flowers with a lime green centre
Height 80 cms

1910, Wallace

'Moonlight Waves' (Wallace, R. 1910) JI
(dbl), . . . Wallace 1910.

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Iris Ensata 'Umi-kaze'
White orchid-like flowers with purple
edges. Flws: Jun-Jul. Ht 90cm.

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Iris Ensata 'Rakka-no-Utage'
A beautiful Japanese cultivar. Heavily ruffled double flws in shell pink with hints of pale lilac. The colour pales to near white in the petal centres to show off the yellow signals. Flws: Jul-Aug. Ht 3ft. Well drained, rich, acidic soil. Full sun or part shade.

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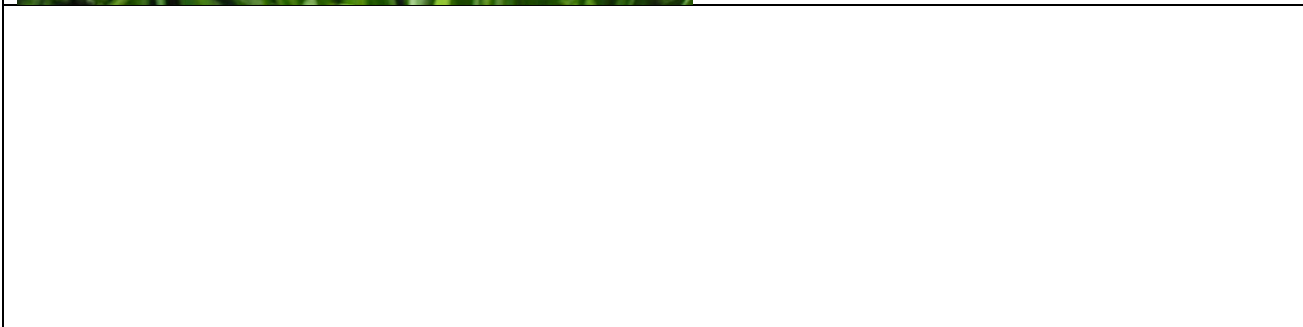


Iris ensata Rose Queen (x3 Beth Chatto)


Is a hybrid with *I. laevigata* but needs less soggy soil than *I. laevigata*. Tall branching stems carry beautiful flowers with broad drooping falls in soft brownish-rose in midsummer. 76 cm.

1989, Society for Japanese Irises

'Rose Queen' (Society for Japanese Irises, R. 1989) JI (3 F. diploid), 38" (97 cm), Midseason bloom. Standards rose pink (RHS 77D); Falls rose pink (77D) veined darker (77B), giving overall effect of 77C, yellow green (154B) signal. Unknown parentage. Originally introduced in 1915 under erroneous name "*I. laevigata* Rose Queen".



Iris Fulva
Common Name(s): Tawny Iris, Copper Iris
Synonym: *Iris ecrystata*
Position: Full sun
Soil: Moist but well-drained to damp soil
Flowers: Summer
Flower Colour: Copper-red
Hardiness: Fully hardy
Habit: Semi-evergreen perennial

	<p>Height & Spread: 90cm x 50cm Perennial with showy, coppery-red/orange flowers in early summer. (£12.95 from Kelways)</p>
	<p><i>Iris foetidissima citrina</i></p> <p>The normal species is one of only two Iris actually native to the UK and has a variety of common names based on the smell of the bruised leaves and “roast beef”.</p> <p>In the wild form the flowers are often inconspicuous and rather dingy purple-grey. This horticultural form has lost some of its purple pigments and has flowers of a lovely and distinctive yellow shade. It makes more flowers and the yellow colourations (with purple contrast) really makes them stand out amongst the leaves.</p> <p>Long after flowering, large swollen pods burst open to reveal a treasure chest of rows of bright red berries when they burst open in autumn. Many of the seeds persist, clinging to the pods through the winter.</p> <p>Easy to grow in almost any soil, this will take shade and dryness, even in combination and this selected form is far better than the straight species, which anyway has an RHS Award of Garden Merit, AGM.</p>



Iris Hoogiana Antiope

(Regelia Iris)

These are happy in a warm, sunny, well drained site where they flower and increase well. Limey soil is not essential, good drainage is.

We find that Regelia species like to be left alone after planting to establish, after which they flower regularly. Shallow planting will enable the rhizomes to ripen well for flowering, but do not worry as the plants will find their own level in time.


Glasshouse cultivation is not essential and species such as Iris hoogiana do well outside but all species thrive if bedded out under glass. Easy and lovely, in addition to which some are beautifully fragrant.

Available for ordering from our Autumn list only.)

In 1999 very distinct orphan was noticed in Antoine Hoog's old Van Tubergen stock of Iris hoogiana purpurea. This was suspected to have been either a new straight hoogiana mutant or a previously non-flowering, hybrid plant which remained unnoticed in the VT stock for dozens years. The orphan was christened Antiope. The

	<p>old VT stock had, in the past, contained other cultivars (as rogues) but Antoine's research indicated that none of the old named cultivars matched the colour scheme of Antiope, which was clearly something new and different.</p> <p>When the first batch of seedlings from Antiope flowered, they seemed very similar to each other, (Amphion is one of these). This perhaps backed up the suggestion of Antiope being a straight hoogiana mutant. In subsequent years however, the variability and colouring which displayed in further flowerings began to suggest that Antiope was perhaps a hoogiana x stolonifera hybrid and that the seedlings were displaying segregation, towards one putative parent or the other.</p> <p>It is notable that all of the siblings lack a yellow beard, which I always accepted to be typical of hoogiana, but it matches stolonifera. Even Zethos, which most closely resembles hoogiana, has the white beard more typically thought of as being from stolonifera.</p> <p>The exact parentage will, of course, remain as supposition but the seedlings seem to fit the hypothesis and the progeny are superb garden plants with superbly patterned, scented flowers. In the case of Antiope, you</p>
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	<p>have a pale blue-washed background edged with golden-bronze veining and contrasting with deep imperial purple falls, again edged with bronze veining, darker than that found on the standards. The flowers are scented in sunshine and it is sun and good drainage that the revel in.</p>
	<p>Japonica Ledgers Variety [3 from Sissinghurst]</p> <p>This is one of the crested Iris -flowers are white marked with blue and orange dots . The petal edges are fringed and the falls have a raised area or crest. Leaves are in fans</p> <p>Height 60 cms</p> <p>Flowers in April/May</p>

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Iris japonica Variegata [5 from Tropical Britain]

A strikingly bold architectural foliage plant, Iris japonica 'Variegata' is a very attractive horticultural cultivar with broad fans of dark-green sword-like leaves with a creamy-white, ivory or pale yellow variegation that typically runs down the edges of the leaves forming wide margins. It has small, very delicate and fringed, orchid-like flowers that are white with purple and orange markings. Floating above the foliage on thin stems, they are called Butterfly Flowers by the Chinese.

Iris japonica, the type species, is found throughout Asia from Japan, through China to Myanmar and was first named by Carl Peter Thunberg, the Swedish botanist in his 1784 publication, 'Flora Japonica'. Thunberg, who was the foremost of Linnaeus' "Apostles" and arguably the greatest botanical explorer and collector of his day, had been commissioned to collect specimens for Dutch botanical gardens and after three years collecting in South Africa had set sail via Java for Japan, then an extremely closed society and virtually inaccessible to foreigners. In 1775, he arrived at Dejima, a tiny artificial island in the harbour at Nagasaki that as the site of a Dutch trading factory was the only place

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	<p>foreigners were permitted. He stayed for fifteen months and despite the severe restrictions placed upon travel and collecting was able to gather enough information to publish 'Flora Japonica' upon his return to Europe. However, much of the material he described would have been from cultivated gardens and some from naturalised plants introduced into Japan from China. Such was possibly the case with <i>Iris japonica</i>, the first specimen of which reached the British Isles from Canton.</p> <p>It is not always clear who first introduced various species into the UK and <i>Iris japonica</i> may have been originally introduced by either Dr John Duncan or his younger brother, Dr Alexander Duncan, both East India Company surgeons based in Canton, who, as correspondents of Sir Joseph Banks, regularly sent botanical consignments to Kew. <i>Iris japonica</i> is first recorded as being grown at Kew in 1792, however its original introduction is usually attributed to Thomas Evans, (b.1751 - d.1814).</p> <p>Evans was an interesting character in the history of exotic gardening in the UK. From humble beginnings, he was originally a clerk in the Treasury Department of the East India Company and was based at East</p>
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India House, on Leadenhall Street. He had a highly-commendable passion for growing rare and exotic plants and through the offices of the company he developed several contacts in Canton and amassed a considerable collection which he housed in greenhouses that he built in the garden of his house in Crombie's Row in Stepney. Sir James Edward Smith, in his 1804 book, 'Exotic Botany', mentions Evans in a description of *Cymbidium hyacinthinum*: 'A native of the island of Trinidad, for which we are obliged to our liberal friend Thomas Evans Esq., of the East India House, in whose choice collection it first flowered in the autumn of 1803.' And in her wonderful book, 'Gifts from the Gardens of China', Jane Kilpatrick describes at length the remarkable botanical enthusiasm of Thomas Evans.

As well as *Iris japonica* and the root-hardy *Begonia grandis* ssp. *evansiana*, Evans was responsible for the introduction to the UK of *Ardisia crenata*, *Bletilla striata*, *Michelia figo*, *Musa cocchineae*, *Reineckia carnea*, *Rosa multiflora* var. *carnea* and *Rubus roseifolius* 'Coronarius'.

In previous taxonomical classifications the crested Iris had been known both as *Iris evansia* and *Evansia chinensis*. Richard Anthony Salisbury, the British botanist who

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	<p>had opposed the Linnaen system, renamed <i>Iris japonica</i> in 1812 as <i>Evansia chinensis</i>, to honour Thomas Evans. Salisbury, the first honorary secretary of the RHS, was a controversial character in British botanical history and most of his generic names have been overturned. An extract from page 297 of the 1886 'Journal of Botany, British and Foreign', cites: "there was a tacit understanding on the part of the botanical leaders of the period, including Brown, Banks and Smith, that Salisbury's botanical work and names should, as far as possible, be ignored."</p> <p>In 1913, W. R. Dykes in his monograph, 'The Genus <i>Iris</i>', returned <i>Evansia</i> to the genus <i>Iris</i>. Today the members of subgenus <i>Limniris</i> subsection <i>Lophiris</i> - to which <i>Iris japonica</i> belongs - are collectively still known as <i>Evansia</i> irises.</p> <p><i>Iris japonica</i> 'Variegata' is an easy <i>Iris</i> in cultivation but not as hardy as other more common <i>Iris</i>s. It should be planted in a sheltered spot, in full sun or half-shade in a moist, well-drained rich soil and fed regularly during the growing season. Its rhizomes prefer to be half-exposed above the soil so a thick mulch during the winter months will help to protect them from the frost.</p>
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	<p>Additional Information</p> <p>Order Asparagales Family Iridaceae Sub-Family Iridoideae Synonyms Iris chinensis, Evansia chinensis, Evansia fimbriata, Iris fimbriata, Iris squalens, Iris japonica subsp. japonica var. typica, Iris japonica subsp. dalica, Iris japonica f. pallescens, Iris tectorum variegata 'Cruella', Geographical Origin Horticultural cultivar - type species from Asia: China, Japan, Myanmar Cultivation Full sun or damp semi-shade. A warm sheltered spot. Moist rich well-drained soil. Mulch well in winter Eventual Height 40 cm Eventual Spread 40 cm Hardiness May need protection during very cold spells. Rhizomes should be mulched for protection</p>
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IRIS lazica

Deep blue flowers. Oct-March. Glossy dark green leaves. Tolerates some shade.

Elegant scented mauve flowers. Glossy green foliage. Tidier than *I. unguicularis* foliage. Dec-March. Ht. 30cm. Sp. 30cm.

Will grow in shade and tolerates clay.

Beware of slugs. Pick in bud.

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Louisiana Black Gamecock

Deep purple falls with lighter standards and gold signals. Ht 60cm. Sp. 30cm. Although in Louisiana grows in bog. In our colder climate best in well drained but not too dry soil.

1980, Chowning

'Black Gamecock' (Frank Chowning, R. 1978). Seedling FC77-12. LA, 24" (61 cm), Late bloom. Blue-black (RHS 103A) self; narrow gold line signal. Unknown parentage. Melrose Gardens 1980. Honorable Mention 1982; Award of Merit 1986; DeBaillon Medal 1989.

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Iris Louisiana Sea Wisp

Pretty blue flowers
Height 80cms

1983, Rowlan

'Sea Wisp' (Henry Rowlan, R. 1983). Sdlg.
80 LA-12. LA, 36" (91 cm), M. Wisteria blue
(RHS 92C), raised yellow line signal edged
white. 'F. A. C. McCulla' X 'Dixie Deb'.

Rowlan Irises 1984.



Iris Berlin Tiger
(Species Hybrid)

Interesting hybrid from *Iris pseudacorus* bred by Thomas Tamberg from Germany, whom has introduced many iris hybrids. Vigourous with long strap like leaves. The flowers are a deep yellow with brown veins throughout the petals. Height up to 120cm. Thrives in damp to very wet soils and even in water.

Iris 'Berlin Tiger' (SpH)

08, Tamberg

'Berlin Tiger' (Tomas Tamberg, R. 1988)

LAEV, 36" (90 cm), Midseason bloom.

Yellow with intense brown lines, darker brown signal. 'Holden Clough' X unknown. Schoeppinger 1990.

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Chance Beauty (x3 Cayeux)

Other curiosity on the genus map, the result of crossing an iris pseudacorus with an iris ensata. Pale yellow standards and wide yellow fairly horizontal falls finely striped with chocolate. Good sized flowers (8 cm diameter) standing well clear of the foliage. Flowers around the 10th of June. A tetraploid variety.

Water iris - Late - size:90cm - colour:Yellow

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1990, Ellis

'Chance Beauty' (John Ellis, R. 1988)

Seedling 72/16-2. LAEV, (Pseudatas); height 36" (91 cm), Midseason bloom. Standards pale yellow; Falls yellow, veined chocolate, deep yellow signal patch. I. pseudacorus X I. ensata. British Iris Society 1990.

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Iris Pseudacorus Bastardi (x3 Cayeux)

The gentle spring-yellow flowers makes this pseudacorus very attractive. Excellent grower.

Water iris - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Yellow

1846, original author Spach

'Bastardii' (Edouard Spach) Dykes; Flowers primrose-yellow. Variety bastardii (Boreau) Lynch, has the blade of the falls lacking the darker yellow central patch. See Pseudacorus Bastardi also 'Parviflora'. Veg. phan. 13: 44. 1846; Ware 1873. A variety of Iris pseudacorus L..

Histoire Naturelle des Végétaux, available on: Gallica

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Iris pseud. 'Creme de la Creme'
Very pretty. Delicate looking creamy white flws are subtly detailed at the base of each petal with purple veins over a cream background. Flws: Jun-Jul. Ht 3ft. Moist soil. Part shade.

Iris pseudocarus Creme de la Creme
Description: Self. Cream flowers. A welcome variation of the yellow native plant. Ht 91cm. Grow in shallow water. Sun or shade. Remontant.

Michael Loftus' personal rating: Michael Loftus rating 2/10

Growing Conditions: This plant is suitable for growing under all the following conditions: Seaside gardens. Hardiness: Hardy. Sun. Moist soil. Dry soil. Drought. Neutral soil. Alkaline soil. Acidic soil.

Foliage: Leaf colour: Green. Deciduous.
Flower: Flower colour: Cream. Suitable as cut flower. Single flower. Remontant.
Flowering season: May. Jun. Sep.
Seed: Decorative heads: Brown. Yellow.
Seed Months: Aug. Sep.
Animal Resistant:

Special Uses:
Plant is deer proof. Plant is rabbit proof.

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Iris Pseud. 'Flore Pleno'
Clumps of long broad, ridged, grey-green leaves. Double golden- yellow iris flws.
Flws: Jun-Jul. Ht 3ft. Semi shade. Moist soil/ water up to 6" deep.

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Iris Pseudacorus Golden Queen (x2 Cayeux)
Selected from an Iris Pseudacorus, which grows naturally on the edges of rivers and streams. Bright golden-yellow flowers with no markings at the throat.

Water iris - Mid-season to late - size:90cm - colour:Yellow

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Iris Pseud. 'Marginatus' (Variegata)
Attractive conspicuous gold/green striped foliage. Particularly striking in spring. Bright yellow flws. Flws: May-Jun. Ht 3ft. AGM. Moist or water up to 6" deep.

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Iris Pseud. 'Sulphur Queen'
Vigorous clumps of broad green foliage.
Pale creamy yellow flws. Flws: May-Jun. Ht
3-4ft. Water depth upto 10" or moist soil.

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Iris Sang. 'Snow Queen'
Lovely white iris flws veined with gold. Tall graceful clumps with grass like foliage. Ht 3ft. Flws: Jun-Jul. Any good soil. Sun or part shade.

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Iris Setosa 'Alba'

Clumps of graceful grass-like foliage.
Abundant pure white irises. Flws: Jun-Jul.
Ht 18". Any reasonable soil. Sun.

1995, Botanical author Pallas

Iris setosa Pallas ex Link. (Peter Simon Pallas, 1820, Asia, Alaska); Section *Limniris*, Series *Tripetalae*. It receives its name because usually the standards are reduced to bristles (*setae*).



ROY'S REPEATER

(species hybrid)

Result of the same crossing as ROY'S LINES, but quite different with a tendency to re-bloom in September. White flowers heavily veined with purplish blue. Same veining on the strong Sulphur yellow mark.

Water iris - Mid-season

2002, Aitken

'Roy's Repeater' (J. Terry Aitken, R. 2002). Sdlg. 97 SPEC 3C. SPEC-X, 42" (107 cm), ML-VL. White ground heavily overlaid with purple veins, F. with well defined sulphur yellow signal with purple veins; style arms white, veined purple near crests. 'Roy Davidson' X unknown -- possibly 'Between the Lines'. Aitken 2002. Honorable Mention 2006; Award of Merit 2010; Randolph-Perry Medal 2013.

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Iris sibirica Atoll

Medium blue-violet with a lighter marbled area in the centre of the falls.

Siberica - Mid-season to late - size:80cm - colour:Blue

1975, Warburton

'Atoll' (B. Warburton, R. 1974). Sdlg. 72-3dip. SIB, 35" (89 cm), L-TB. S. dark violet-blue, shaded paler at center with marbling; stylearms pearly blue with turquoise midribs, nearly covering signal; F. dark violet-blue rim with centers of marbled light to full violet-blue. 'White Swirl' X 69A-4: ('Deep Shade' sib). Old Brook 1975.

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BABY SISTER

Blue-violet with darker veining; good for edge planting.

Siberica - Early to mid-season - size:25cm - colour:Violet-purple

1986, McEwen

'Baby Sister' (Currier McEwen, R. 1986).
Sdlg. M76/93A. SIB (28 chrom. diploid), 6"
(15 cm), Early midseason to midseason
bloom. Violet blue (RHS 89D) veined darker
on Falls, white signal. I. orientalis X I.
sibirica. Seaways Gardens 1986.



Iris Sibirica Berlin Ruffles

'Berlin Ruffles' grows to 1m in height, with long, slender leaves and stems bearing up to 3 flowers, the standards vivid blue, the falls deep violet-blue with a white base. More floriferous with broader petals and larger flowers than some of the older hybrids.

1993, Tamberg


'Berlin Ruffles' (Tomas Tamberg, R. 1993) Seedling 8256-2. SIB (tetraploid), height 39" (100 cm), Midseason bloom. Standards medium blue; Falls velvety medium blue; ruffled. 'Lake Niklas' X 7643C: ('Cambrita' x 'Tealwood'). Schoeppinger, Tamberg 1993. British Dykes Medal 1999.

Award of Garden Merit 1995 by Royal Horticultural Society described as "Plant vigorous, compact; foliage 110cm long mid-green. Flower stem 105cm high, straight, bearing three well-proportioned flowers per stem. Standards 6cm long, 3.5cm wide, cupped, a vivid purplish blue (96B), haft transparent with vivid violet (89A) striations. Falls 7cm long, 6cm wide, flaring, a colour closest to but brighter than vivid purplish blue (99B) and vivid violet (89B), extreme edge rimmed white, base white with golden yellow patches, haft light greenish yellow (1C) margins with dark red (183A) striations. Style and crest translucent a colour between strong violet


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	<p>(86C) and light violet (89D). Flowering from 8 June 1995."</p>
	<p>Iris Sibirica Butter and Sugar</p> <p>Bred by C Mc Ewen in 1976. Standards are white, Falls are mid yellow. Morgan Medal 1981 and 1987.</p> <p>Height 70 cms. Amoena</p> <p>1977, McEwen 'Butter And Sugar' (Currier McEwen, R. 1976) SIB (28 chrom.), 27" (68 cm), Midseason bloom. . Standards white with greenish yellow veins (RHS 154B); Falls yellow (5C) with greenish yellow veins; white styles with yellow midribs. 'Floating Island' X 'Dreaming Yellow'. McEwen 1977. Honorable Mention 1978; Morgan Award 1981; Morgan-Wood Medal 1986.</p>

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		<p>Caesar's Brother</p> <p>Morgan (1932) Season: Mid-season 97cm/38ins £6.00</p> <p>1932, Morgan</p> <p>'Caesar's Brother' (F. Cleveland Morgan, 1932) SIB-B. Honorable Mention 1936; Morgan Award 1953.</p>
		<p>Iris Sibirica Catherine Howard</p> <p>Position: Full sun</p> <p>Soil: Moist but well-drained to damp soil</p> <p>Flowers: May to June</p> <p>Flower Colour: Blue-purple</p> <p>Hardiness: Fully hardy</p> <p>Habit: Herbaceous perennial</p> <p>Height: 90cm</p> <p>Long narrow leaves form a large clump of foliage, above which the flower stems appear in early June. The flowers look like groups of dancing butterflies. Totally reliable perennials which thrive in normal garden soil, but will do particularly well in moist to damp soil where they will reach</p>

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	<p>their full height of 90cm. Best in a sunny position.</p> <p>1992, Tubbs 'Catherine Howard' (Mary Tubbs, R. 1992) Sdlg. H-DK. SIB, 36" (91 cm). Midseason bloom. Medium dark blue, blue signal. Parentage unknown.</p>
	<p>Iris sibirica Cleve Dodge</p> <p>Large violet slightly purple flowers with fairly narrow petals. A vigorous variety. Siberica - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Violet</p> <p>1971, McEwen 'Cleve Dodge' (Currier McEwen, R. 1968). Sdlg. 64/67-10. SIB diploid, 26" (66 cm), Early midseason to late midseason bloom. Color Class BV1D, Standards between RHS 88A and 89A; Falls same, velvet texture; styles same. 61/Cas 2: ('Violet Flare' x unknown) X unknown. McEwen 1971.</p>

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Creme Chantilly [3 from Schreiners]

Type: Siberian

Style: Self

Height: 36.0"

Color: White

Originator: McEwen, C.

Year: 1981

Bloom Season: Midseason

Fragrant: No

Rebloom: No

Awards: HM '83, AM '88

Ruffled creamy white self.

1981, McEwen

'Creme Chantilly' (Currier McEwen, R. 1981). Sdlg. 74/92. SIB (diploid), 36" (91 cm), Midseason bloom. Pale cream (RHS 19D), fading to white with age.

'Anniversary' X 71/162(4): ('Big Blue' x unknown). Seaways Gardens 1981.

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Iris Dance Ballerina Dance
Pale pink-purple flowers. 1.1m

1983, Varner
'Dance Ballerina Dance' (Steve Varner, R. 1982). Seedling S040. SIB (tetraploid), height 32" (81 cm), Early bloom. Standards near white with light pinkish violet plicata effect; near-white styles; Falls full lavender rose pink, lighter ruffled edge. McEwen seedling T4 72/10 X unknown. Introduced by Illini Iris 1983. Honorable Mention 1985; Award of Merit 1987; Morgan-Wood Medal 1989.

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Iris sibirica Dark Desire

Description: Rich purple flowers. Flowers early season. June-July. Sheathes of grassy leaves. Ht. 80cm. Sp. 60cm. Bog, moist soil or dry soil once established. Lime tolerant. Part shade or sun.

Michael Loftus' personal rating: Michael Loftus rating 7/10

Growing Conditions: This plant is suitable for growing under all the following conditions: Seaside gardens. Hardiness: Hardy. Part shade. Sun. Moist soil. Heavy clay. Neutral soil. Alkaline soil. Acidic soil.

Foliage: Leaf colour: Green. Deciduous. Flower: Flower colour: Purple. Suitable as cut flower. Single flower. Flowering season: Jun. Jul.

Seed: Decorative heads: Brown. Seed Months: Aug. Sep. Oct.

Animal Resistant:


Special Uses:

Plant is deer proof. Plant is rabbit proof. Plant is naturalising.

1974, Varner

'Dark Desire' (Steve Varner, R. 1974). Sdlg. V222. SIB, 36" (91 cm), Very early to midseason bloom. Deep blue-purple self;

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	<p>no signal. 'White Swirl' X 'Tealwood'. Illini Iris 1974.</p>
	<p>Iris sibirica Dawn Waltz Lavender pink with a yellow centre. 80cm 1998, Schafer/Sacks 'Dawn Waltz' (Marty Schafer and Jan Sacks, registered 1998). Seedling S92-75-2. SIB, height 27" (69 cm), early mid season bloom. Standards smooth light pinkish lavender (RHS 85D/C), some darker (86D) veining; style arms pearly white, green midrib in heart, crests curled; falls slightly deeper pinkish lavender (85B), shaded and veined darker (86D), signal apple green on white with lavender veining; ruffled. S89-16-1: ('Reprise' x 'Mad Magenta') X S89-9-2: ('Isabelle' x 'Silver Illusion'). Joe Pye Weed 1998.</p>

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Iris sibirica Dreaming Spires

Bright-blue tinted aniline, velvety with copper-brown throat. Wavy good-sized flowers. A tetraploid variety.

Siberica - Late - size:75cm - colour:Blue

1969, Brummitt

'Dreaming Spires' (Marjorie Brummitt, R. 1964). Sdlg. 19-6. SIB, 36" (91 cm), Midseason bloom. Color Class-V3VB, Standards lavender; Falls deep royal blue. 'White Swirl' X 'Tycoon'. Orpington Nurseries 1969.

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Iris Sibirica Dreaming Yellow
Common Name: Siberian Iris
Position: Full sun
Soil: Moist but well-drained soil
Flowers: June to July
Flower Colour: Yellow
Hardiness: Fully hardy
Habit: Rhizomatous perennial
Height & spread: 90cm x 60cm

1971, McEwen

'Dreaming Yellow' (Currier McEwen, R. 1969). Sdlg. T1 66/97A (colchicine induced chimera). SIB, 31" (79 cm), Midseason to late bloom. Color Class W4Y, Standards white; Falls creamy yellow (9B on top quarter, 9C-D on tips); moderately ruffled. 'Dreaming Spires' X unknown. McEwen 1971

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Iris sibirica Ego

Very soft blue, free-flowering and prolific.
Siberica - Mid-season - size:80cm -
colour:Blue

1966, McGarvey

'Ego' (William McGarvey, R. 1965). Sdlg. 63-4-6. SIB, 32" (81 cm), Mid late bloom season. Color Class-B1cm, Blue self with haft pattern. 'White Swirl' X McGarvey Med-B-Lt-B-Sty. ('Gatineau' x 'Caesar's Brother'). Old Brook 1966. Honorable Mention 1967; Judges Choice 1968; Morgan Award 1972.

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Iris sibirica Flight of Butterflies

Witt 1972. Numerous small flowers on tall stems. Flowers are blue and falls are white with heavy blue markings.

Height 80 cms

1972, Witt

'Flight Of Butterflies' (Jean Witt, R. 1972)
SIB, 30-36" (76-91 cm), Mid bloom season.
Standards medium violet-blue, stylearms slightly more toward red-violet side; falls white, entirely covered with butterfly wing pattern of violet-blue veins. Unknown parentage. [note; very possibly a pure Iris sibirica]

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Iris sibirica Golden Edge

Medium blue-violet standards, velvety densely-coloured falls of the same hue with delicate yellow edge and a yellow signal. Good ruffles. Tetraploid variety. Siberica - Early to mid-season - size: 75cm - colour: Blue

1992, McEwen

'Golden Edge' (Currier McEwen, R. 1991). Sdlg. T(7)83/107(3). SIB (tet.), 30" (75 cm), Early midseason bloom. Standards medium violet blue (RHS 89C); style arms violet blue (blended 86B and 89A); Falls darker velvety violet blue, yellow (9C) wire edge, rich yellow (9B) signal shading lighter (9D) at edge; ruffled. T(2)80/260(2): (('Ruffled Velvet' x 'Tealwood') x unknown) X T(6)78/47(W-1): ('Dear Dianne' x 'Happy Event' sib). Pope's Perennials, Seaways 1992.

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Iris Sibirica Harpswell Happiness

Common Name: Siberian Iris

Position: Full sun

Soil: Moist but well-drained to damp soil

Flowers: May to June

Flower Colour: Pale yellow

Hardiness: Fully hardy

Habit: Herbaceous perennial

Height & Spread: 80cm x 50ccm

1983, McEwen

'Harpswell Happiness' (Currier McEwen, R. 1983) SIB (tetraploid), 30" (76 cm), Early, midseason, late bloom. Standards pale creamy white (RHS 155D). pale greenish yellow (2C) at base; Falls pale creamy white, veined pale greenish yellow, yellow (2B) base area, yellow (2B) hafts and yellow green (149B) veining; ruffled ('Fourfold White' sibling x (('Pirouette' x unknown) x unknown)) x ((('Snowy Egret' x unknown) x unknown) x unknown) x ('Fourfold White' x T1 65/71))) X 'Dreaming Green'.

Award of Garden Merit 1996 by Royal Horticultural Society Described Proceedings of the RHS vol 117 p 106. Flowering from 13 June 1996. (HC 1992)

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Iris sibirica Harpswell Haze

Large flowers with falls between clear and mid-blue and a small white spot around the heart. Standards coloured in the same tone with pale-blue styles. Graceful, natural appearance. A tetraploid variety. Siberica - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Blue

1977, McEwen

'Harpowell Haze' (Currier McEwen, R. 1977). Sdlg. T3 70/31B. SIB (tetraploid), 35" (89 cm), Midseason bloom. Light blue (RHS 96D) with dark violet-blue (93B) veining; white blaze on Falls.; medium light blue stylearms. T161/Cas 1: 'Blue Brilliant' x unknown) X T266/79(10): 'Fourfold White' sib. McEwen 1977.

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Iris sibirica Heliotrope Bouquet

Description: Mauve flowers. Very early flowering. June. Sheathes of grassy leaves. Ht. 80cm. Sp. 60cm. Bog, moist soil or dry soil once established. Lime tolerant. Part shade or sun.

Michael Loftus' personal rating: Michael Loftus rating 6/10

Growing Conditions: This plant is suitable for growing under all the following conditions: Seaside gardens. Hardiness: Hardy. Part shade. Sun. Moist soil. Bog. Heavy clay. Neutral soil. Alkaline soil. Acidic soil.

Foliage: Leaf colour: Green. Deciduous. Flower: Flower colour: Mauve. Suitable as cut flower. Single flower. Flowering season: Jun. Jul.

Seed:

Animal Resistant:


Special Uses:

Plant is deer proof. Plant is rabbit proof. Plant is naturalising.

1984, Hollingworth

'Heliotrope Bouquet' (Robert Hollingworth, registered 1984). Seedling 8013C10. SIB (28 chrom. diploid), height 32" (81 cm), very early bloom season. Standards light mauve,

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	<p>blue line up midrib; falls light mid-mauve, blue influence in center, inconspicuous white blaze; broad, feathered style arms with blue midrib on mauve ground. 7712: (('Dreaming Spires' x 'Tealwood') x unknown) X 77L1: ('Dreaming Spires' x unknown). Borbeleta Gardens, Windwood Gardens 1986. Award of Merit 1990</p>
	<p>Iris sibirica Isabelle</p> <p>Creamy-white standards, cream and light yellow styles, falls bright yellow on opening fading to lighter yellow later in the season. Very strongly waved flowers. Siberica - Late - size:70cm - colour:Amoena</p> <p>1989, Warburton 'Isabelle' (B. Warburton, R. 1988). Sdlg. Bs/B-1. SIB, 27" (69 cm), Late bloom season. Standards cream; cream and yellow styles with curled crests and green heart; falls open bright yellow, then fade to pale yellow with dark yellow veining with green influence; heavily ruffled. 'Butter And Sugar' X 'Bellissima'. Joe Pye Weed's Garden 1989.</p>

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Lavender Bounty [3 from Schreiners]

Type: Siberian

Style: Bitone

Height: 36.0"

Color: Lavender

Originator: McEwen, C.

Year: 1981

Bloom Season: Early

Fragrant: No

Rebloom: No

Awards: HM '83

Gently ruffled lavender-pink flowers.

1981, McEwen

'Lavender Bounty' (Currier McEwen, R.

1981). Sdlg. 76/38(29). SIB (28 chrom.

diploid), 36" (91 cm), Very early bloom.

Standards lavender pink (RHS 82D); Falls

lavender pink (81C). brownish hafts, white

signal. 'Augury' X 'Lavender Light'. Seaways

Gardens 1981.

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Iris sibirica Purple Sand

Clear pink purple falls with standards in the same tone but darker. A real rosé-amethyst masterpiece. Will sometimes bloom again in autumn.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Lavender

1991, Miller

'Purple Sand' (Anna Mae Miller, R. 1990). Sdlg. 85-49-4. SIB, 36" (91 cm), Midseason bloom and rebloom. Standards light violet (RHS 85B); style arms pale violet blue; Falls light violet veined darker. 'Esther C. D. M.' X 'Almost a Melody'. Old Douglas Perennials 1991.

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Iris sibirica Reddy Or Not

Burgundy red with a white marking on the falls turning green toward the throat. Will sometimes rebloom in late summer.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:95cm - colour:Red

2001, Aitken

'Reddy Or Not' (J. Terry Aitken, R. 2001).
SIB, 38" (97 cm), ML-VL & RE. Wine red, F.
with white signal blending to green in
throat. Parentage unknown. Aitken 2001.

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Iris sibirica Regency Belle

Light blue-violet standards and darker blue-violet falls with a white marking. Pale blue styles. Lovely two-tint effect! A tetraploid variety.

Siberica - Early to mid-season - size:70cm - colour:Two-tone blues.

1985, McEwen

'Regency Belle' (Currier McEwen, R. 1985). Sdlg. T579/211(1). SIB (tet.), 28" (70 cm), Early midseason to late midseason bloom. Standards light violet blue (RHS 89D); light blue (94C) styles; Falls medium violet blue (89C), white signal. 'Harpswell Hallelujah' X 'Violet Joy'. Seaways Gardens 1985.

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Iris sibirica Riverdance

Extraordinary pure deep blue with white stripes in the throat and a fine white edge. Produces many ruffled flowers. No doubt, one of our favourite siberian irises!
Siberica - Mid-season - size:100cm - colour:Blue

1997, Shafer & Sacks

'Riverdance' (Marty Schafer & Jan Sacks, registered 1997). Seedling S90-13-1. SIB, height 40-45" (102-114 cm), mid season bloomer. Standards cornflower blue (RHS 95A/B); style arms cornflower blue, white wire edge; falls brighter cornflower blue, shoulders flecked white, white wire edge, white signal yellow in center and veined cornflower blue; rolled ruffling. 'Forrest McCord' X 'Jaybird'. Joe Pye Weed 1997. Honorable Mention 2000; Award of Merit 2002; Morgan-Wood Medal 2006.

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Iris sibirica Roaring Jelly

Schafer/Sacks 1992. Pale lilac-pink standards lightly veined in red-purple. Red-purple falls with a green throat. New and attractive colouring. Morgan-Wood Medal 1999.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Violet-purple

1992, Schafer & Sacks

'Roaring Jelly' (Marty Schafer & Jan Sacks, registered 1992). Seedling 86-36-1. SIB, height 36" (91 cm), mid season bloom. Standards lavender grey (RHS 85D) with diffused red purple veining; style arms same, flushed blue aqua; falls shaded and dappled throughout giving red purple maroon overall effect, signal white with dark veining and dark blue flush.

Warburton ARV82-31: (('Atoll' x 'Ruffled Velvet') x 'Ruffled Velvet') X 'Springs Brook'. Joe Pye Weed 1992. Honorable Mention 1995; Award of Merit 1997; Morgan-Wood Medal 1999.

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Iris sibirica Rosebud Melody

A very pretty and new purple-velvety look to the flowers, which are rosebud shaped (hence the name).

Siberica - Mid-season - size:70cm - colour:Violet-purple

1994, Miller

'Rosebud Melody' (Anna Mae Miller, R. 1994). Sdlg. 85.7.2. SIB, 28" (71 cm), Midseason bloom. Velvety purple (RHS 96A) self; rosebud shape. 'Almost A Melody' X 'Fattaneh'. Ensata Gardens 1994.

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Iris sibirica Ruffled Round

Our favourite among the dark blues : dark blue-violet falls, standards even darker, velvety and waved. Large round flowers with a discreet white mark. Magnificent.

Morgan Medal 1980.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:70cm - colour:Blue

1994, McEwen

'Ruffled Round' (Currier McEwen, R. 1994). Sdlg. T(8)84/104(1). SIB (tet.), 28" (70 cm), Midseason bloom. Standards dark violet blue (RHS 93B); Falls darker (93A), small white signal; velvety; ruffled. 'Regency Belle' sib X T(7)81/111(8): ('Marshmallow Frosting' x 'Dear Dianne' x 'Happy Event' sib)). Eartheart, Seaways 1994.

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Iris sibirica Ruffles And Flourishes

Hollingsworth 2002. Superb medium to dark-blue large heavily ruffled flowers. Yellow throat lengthened by a wide white spot veined in blue. Our favourite Sibirica! Siberica - Mid-season to late - size:85cm - colour:Purple

2002, Hollingworth
'Ruffles and Flourishes' (Robert Hollingsworth, registered 2002). Seedling 97B6B18. SIB (tet.), height 33" (84 cm), Mid thru late bloom season. Ruffled red violet, falls with white wire rim, gold signal with blue halo. 'Band Of Angels' X 'Strawberry Fair'. Windwood 2002. Honorable Mention 2005; Award of Merit 2007; Morgan-Wood Medal 2009.

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Salamander Crossing [5 from Schreiners]

Type: Siberian

Style:

Height: 42.0"

Color: Yellow and Lavender

Originator: Schaefer, Marty/Jan Sacks

Year: 1999

Bloom Season: Early, Midseason and Late

Fragrant: No

Rebloom: No

Awards: HM '02 AM '06

Small yellow and lavender flowers heavily peppered with violet.

1999, Schafer/Sacks

'Salamander Crossing' (Marty Schafer/Jan Sacks, registered 1999). Seedling S92-65-15. SIB, height 42" (107 cm), early, mid to late season bloom. Standards palest lavender ground, heavy lavender (90C/D) speckling; style arms speckled lavender, buff tips; falls pale yellow heavily speckled lavender, less at edge, gold to yellow signal with deep lavender veining. S89-9-2: ('Isabelle' x 'Silver Illusion') X 'Snow Prince'. Joe Pye Weed 1999.

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Ships are Sailing (x5 Cayeux)

Large clear blue-violet standards and deep blue-violet falls. Gently ruffled, vigorous, this is a superb siberian in two-tones of blue. A tetraploid variety.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:90cm - colour:Two-tone blues

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1998, Schafer/Sacks

'Ships are Sailing' (Marty Schafer and Jan Sacks, R/ 1998). Seedling S92-19-1. SIB, height 35" (89 cm), Midseason bloom. Standards light blue (RHS 97C) ground, darker bluebird blue (94B/C) shading and veining, light blue (97D) 1/8" edge; style arms pearly pale blue, darker midrib; Falls darker bluebird blue (94A/B), deeper (93A) veining, light blue (97D) 1/8" edge; signal small, yellow gold with heavy deep blue violet veining; lightly ruffled. S86-8-1: ('Forrest McCord' x 'Springs Brook') X S89-23-4: (S85-6-6: ('Star Cluster' x 'Ruffled Velvet') x 'Isabelle'). Joe Pye Weed 1998. Honorable Mention 2001; Award of Merit 2003; Morgan-Wood Medal 2007.

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Iris sibirica Silver Edge

Description: Medium blue flowers with silver edge. June Mid green leaves. Ht. 55cm. Sp. 55cm. Bog, moist soil or dry soil once established. Part shade or sun. AGM. Morgan Medal 1978.

Michael Loftus' personal rating: Michael Loftus rating 7/10

Growing Conditions: This plant is suitable for growing under all the following conditions: Seaside gardens. Hardiness: Hardy. Part shade. Sun. Moist soil. Bog. Dry soil. Heavy clay. Neutral soil. Alkaline soil. Acidic soil.

Foliage: Leaf colour: Green. Deciduous.
Flower: Flower colour: Blue Suitable as cut flower. Single flower. Flowering season: Jun. Jul. Flower has no Scent.

Seed:

Animal Resistant:


Special Uses:

Plant is deer proof. Plant is rabbit proof.
Plant is naturalising.

1974, McEwen

'Silver Edge' (Currier McEwen, R. 1973) SIB (56+ chrom. tetraploid), 28" (71 cm), Early to midseason bloom. Standards medium blue (RHS 89C); Falls medium blue (89B)

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	<p>with distinct silver edge, yellow-white blaze; blue styles with turquoise midrib; ruffled. ('Orville Fay' X ('White Swirl' X 'Violet Flare')) McEwen 1974. Honorable Mention 1975; Morgan Award 1978.</p>
	<p>Iris sibirica Sparkling Rose</p> <p>Hager 1967. Pinkish-mauve with a big bluish throat and bronze veining. A tetraploid variety. Opens flat. Siberica - Early to mid-season - size:100cm - colour:Pink</p> <p>1968, Hager 'Sparkling Rose' (Ben Hager, R. 1967). Sdlg. SB2. SIB, 38" (97 cm), M. Color Class-RV1Lcm, Rose mauve self; veined signal tip flash of blue. 'Towanda Redflare' X 'Eric The Red'. Melrose 1968.</p>

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Steve Varner (x5 Cayeux)

Lavender standards with falls of the same tone, veined in blue. The two-tone blue effect is heightened by the bright blue styles.

Siberica - Mid-season - size:75cm -
colour:Lavender
medal : 1987

1978, Briscoe

'Steve Varner' (Harley Briscoe, R. 1976).
Sdlg. 70 53B. SIB, 29" (74 cm), Midseason
bloom. Standards lavender; Falls same,
veined lavender-blue, ruffled; bright blue
stylearms. 'White Swirl' X 'Barbara's
Choice'. Bellagamba 1978. Honorable
Mention 1980; Morgan Award 1982;
Morgan-Wood Medal 1987.

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Sib. TAMBERG [3 FROM KELWAYS]

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Iris sibirica Teal Velvet
Brother of Shirley Pope, but taller and earlier-flowering. Very uniform flowers, intense purplish-violet with a velvety look. Vivid purple with a striped throat.
Siberica - Early - size:85cm - colour:Violet.

1981, McEwen
'Teal Velvet' (Currier McEwen, R. 1981).
Sdlg. T1 72/101(2). SIB (28 chrom. tet.),
33.5" (85 cm), Very early to midseason bloom. Velvety, very dark reddish purple (RHS 86A); self styles. 'Ruffled Velvet' X 'Tealwood'. Seaways Gardens 1981.

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Iris sibirica White Swirl
Cassebeer 1957. Stunning white flowers
with touch of green. Morgan Medal 1962.
Late – size 1m. Colour: white.

1957, Cassebeer

'White Swirl' (Fred Cassebeer, R. 1957). SIB,
40" (102 cm). Late bloom. Color Class W1,
Pure white self. Unknown. Cassebeer 1957.
Honorable Mention 1957; Morgan Award
1962.



Iris stolonifera Augustus

Cloned from a single, exceptional plant grown by A. Hoog from seed of Iris stolonifera Zwanenburg.

The standards are sky-blue, fading to grey at the edge; the falls ditto with an ochre base.

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Dark Aura (x3 Cayeux)

Good-sized flowers in the style of GERALD DARBY (below), as well as having intense colouring. Superb dark red foliage at the base and nearly black sinuous floral stalks (Probably a hybrid between *I. virginica* and *I. versicolor*).

Water iris - Mid-season to late - size:105cm
- colour:Violet

1986, Hewitt

'Dark Aura' (Jennifer Hewitt, selector, R. 1996). SPEC-X, 42" (107 cm), Midseason late bloom. Standards dark violet (RHS 88A); style arms reddish violet, paler edges; Falls velvety dark violet (near 83A), light yellow (153B) signal edged white, dark veins; spring foliage dark red, stems intense black; slight sweet fragrance. Parentage unknown, inv. *I. virginica* and *I. versicolor* . Previously registered as *Virginica De Luxe*. Friesland Staudengarten 1986.

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Iris Vers. 'Gerald Darby

1967, Darby

'Gerald Darby' (Gerald Darby, deceased, by Coe, R. 1968) LAEV apogon hybrid, up to 6' (183 cm), June. Change of classification, description and parentage. Blue violet with violet-colored leaf bases. Chromosome count $2n=88-89$. Sets few good seeds. Appears to belong to *I. robusta*, E. Anderson, the cross of '*I. versicolor*' with '*I. virginica*'. Norton Hall 1967.