

Unusual & Rare

Hardy Perennials

Anemone, Wood *Anemone*

Early spring-blooming fillers for the woodland collector's garden. ●●

\$9.00—2.5" pot:

- U001 **A. x seemanii**—A naturally occurring European hybrid with large creamy yellow flowers. One of the best small anemones. Also known as *Anemone x lipsiensis*. 6" h by 15" w ●●
- U002 **Bracteata Pleniflora** *A. nemorosa*—A ruff of green leaves holds semi-double white flowers that are surrounded by a ring of green and white variegated bracts. No two are exactly the same. 4" h

U004 **Bog Rosemary** **NEW**

Andromeda polifolia Bergy Bit

Icy blue-tinted leaves (a "bergy bit" is a small iceberg). Minnesota native evergreen shrub with narrow leathery leaves. Clusters of small urn-shaped white to pink flowers in late spring. Though more drought-tolerant than the species, this selection from the Memorial University of Newfoundland Botanical Garden prefers moist soil with slight acidic amendment. 12–24" h ●●●● \$19.00—1 gal. pot

U005 **Daylily, Many-Flowered**

Hemerocallis multiflora **NEW**

Fragrant yellow 3" trumpets on elegant stems. Daylily enthusiasts and breeders like its extended bloom. Each stalk produces 40–80 flowers from August–September. From China. 36" h ●● \$17.00—3.5" deep pot

U006 **Fumeroot**

Corydalis solida Dieter Schacht

Clusters of long-spurred, tubular pink flowers with flashes of white in early spring. The plant disappears by summer but will return with twice as many stems the next spring. From the Munich Botanical Garden. Lacy blue-green foliage. This bleeding heart cousin is resistant to deer, rabbits, and squirrels. 6–12" h ●●●● \$14.00—2.5" pot

U007 **Gentian, True Blue** *Gentiana*

Funnel-shaped, electric blue 2" flowers open up and down the stems. Blooms midsummer through early fall. Smooth, glossy leaves form an attractive clump. An easy-care perennial. Deer-resistant. 24–30" h by 12–18" w ●●●● \$18.00—1 gal. pot

U008 **Globe Thistle, Giant**

Echinops adenocaulos

Purple 2–3" flower heads, the largest flower we've seen on a globe thistle. Native to northern Israel. Test it in a hot, sunny, well-drained, lower nutrient soil and let us know how it performs for you and whether it overwinters successfully. 40–60" h ●● \$6.00—4" pot

Hellebore *Helleborus*

Among the first flowers of spring. Cupped flowers with overlapping, pointed petals. Leathery evergreen leaves. Very long-lived perennial in the right spot; perfect for woodland areas. Needs moist, rich soil and good drainage. Lightly mulch to retain moisture and water well through the summer. Mature plants dislike being moved or divided. ●●●●

\$8.00—4.5" pot:

- U009 **Hybrid Mix**—A range of colors including white, yellow, pink, green, and purple. 18" h
- \$13.00—4.5" pot:
- U010 **Winter Jewels Berry Swirl** **NEW**—Double flowers in shades of pink, rose, and purplish pink. Some have a white center and some are outlined with reddish purple. 12–24" h by 24" w
- U011 **Winter Jewels Cotton Candy** **NEW**—Fluffy doubles are light pink with darker veins and edges, some with pink spots. 12–24" h by 24" w
- U012 **Winter Jewels Fire & Ice** **NEW**—Double 3–4" white flowers have pointed petals outlined with dark pink. 18–22" h by 24" w
- U013 **Winter Jewels Red Sapphire** **NEW**—Double flowers with rosy red pointed petals outlined with burgundy. 12–15" h by 24" w

\$20.00—4.5" pot:

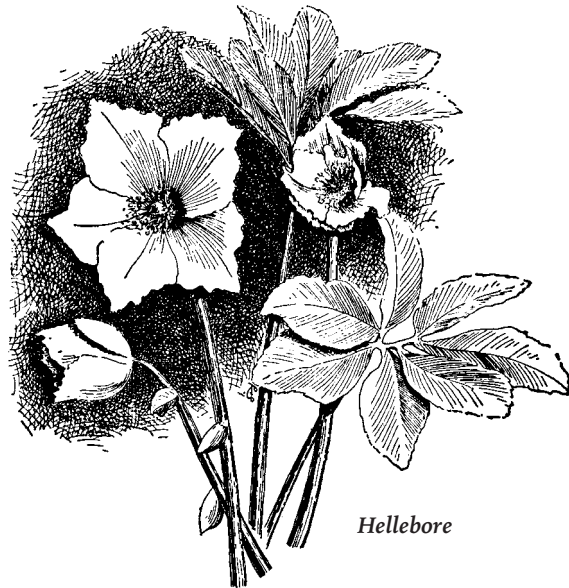
- U014 **Pink Christmas Rose** *H. niger macranthus roseus* **NEW**—Pink flowers with glossy bluish leaves. 12–18" h

Iris, Japanese Roof *Iris tectorum*

Open blossoms above handsome foliage in late spring. Vigorous grower that has traditionally been planted on thatched roofs, but if you can't manage that you could just offer sharp drainage. More shade-tolerant than other irises. 12–18" h ●●●●

\$16.00—3.5" pot:

- U015 **Blue**
U016 **White**



Hellebore

Lady's Slipper *Cypripedium* hybrids

Hardy orchids with pouch-like flowers from German and Dutch growers. As with most lady's slippers, these prefer well-drained but moist garden soil and regular feed in spring. Semi-shade, no direct sun at midday. Spring bloom. Limited quantities. ●

\$79.00—1 gal. pot:

- U017 **Ann Elizabeth** **NEW**—Dark magenta pouch and striped magenta petals. Cross between the Chinese natives *C. tibeticum* and *C. franchetii*. 6–12" h
- U018 **Bärbel Schmidt** **NEW**—Pale yellow base with deep red stripes and netting over the entire flower. May have multiple flowers per stem. Hybrid of *C. montanum*, the mountain lady's slipper of the Pacific Northwest, and *C. macranthos* from China. 12–18" h
- U019 **Barry Phillips**—Large yellow variety with greenish yellow petals. Two flowers per stem. 18" h
- U020 **Frosch's Harlequin** **NEW**—Selected clone of Hans Erni (*C. franchetii* x *C. calceolus*) which shows different colors depending on the temperature during bud production: warmer gives a white base, cooler a yellow one, both overlaid with pinks and purples. 12–18" h
- U021 **Frosch's Mother Earth** **NEW**—Selected clone of Inge (hybrid of the U.S. native yellow lady's slipper and *C. fasciolatum* from China). Pouch is cream with a pale purple blush, and petals are twisted and striped with purple-brown. The name refers to the earthy color of the petals. 12–24" h
- U022 **Kristi Lyn** **NEW**—Large, prominent yellow pouch. Petals are yellow with violet mottling. Often has multiple flowers per stalk. Cross between the U.S. native yellow lady's slipper and the Chinese *C. henryi*. 12–24" h
- U023 **Mops** **NEW**—Purple-red flowers with some paler striping. Cross between *C. macranthos* var. *hotei-atsumorianum*, the Japanese hardy lady's slipper, and *C. franchetii* from China. 8–12" h
- U024 **Philipp Dark** **NEW**—Flowers dark pink to purple overall. Cross between *C. macranthos* (China) and the southern U.S. native *C. kentuckiense*. 20–27" h
- U025 **Sabine** **NEW**—Exceptionally large pink pouch the size of a chicken's egg backed by purple- and white-striped petals. Long bloom time. This Frosch introduction is a cross between two Chinese natives, *C. fasciolatum* and *C. macranthos*. Award of Garden Merit from the RHS. 12–18" h
- U026 **Sabine Pastel** **NEW**—Ethereal white-flowered form of Sabine. Pouch is pure white, petals are pale yellow. Extra-large pouch and extra-long bloom time. *C. fasciolatum* x *C. macranthos*. 16–20" h

Lady's Slipper, Native *Cypripedium*

Each flower has twisted petals that flank a puffy central slipper. Wants cool soil and morning sun. Blooming-size plants; rootstock collected from the wild in Minnesota, legally rescued from development. ●

\$35.00—pot size varies:

- U027 **Small Yellow** *C. parviflorum*—Often found in wetlands but does well in upland gardens, too. Blooms May–June. 12" h ☐

\$45.00—pot size varies:

- U028 **Large Yellow** *C. pubescens*—Easy to grow, and can live up to 100 years. Blooms in May. The most shade-tolerant of these lady's slippers. 12–18" h ☐
- U029 **Pink and White Showy** *C. reginae*—Our largest and showiest native orchid and the Minnesota state flower. Blooms from mid- to late June. Beautiful white petals and sepals with a moccasin-shaped slipper flooded with rose or crimson. Needs more sun but without warming the soil. 18–36" h ☐

Lily, Martagon *Lilium*

Small, recurved flowers dangle from upright stems June–July. Self-seeds in a good site, preferring part shade. Flowers open from the bottom up over one to two weeks. ○●●

\$32.00—1.5 gal. pot:

- U030 **Arabian Knight** *L. martagon*—Many deep red to maroon flowers whose petals are brushed with orange-gold near the center and on their edges. Maroon spots. Unusually, this variety is fragrant. 36–48" h
- U031 **Claude Shride** *L. martagon*—Deep copper-red to mahogany flowers lightly spotted with gold-orange. Vigorous. A good starter martagon. 36–48" h
- U032 **Hanson's Lily** *L. hansonii*—Wild native from Japan with gold-orange flowers, spotted red. 36–60" h
- U033 **Paisley Hybrids**
L. martagon—Various colors of yellow-orange, lilac-purple, tangerine, or mahogany. All with tiny maroon dots. 36–60" h ☐
- U034 **Sunny Morning** *L. martagon*—Deep orange-yellow flowers with gold circular spots. 48–60" h
- U035 **Terrace City** *L. martagon*—Yellow petals blend into pink at the tips and have pink reverses. Scattered deep red spots. 36–48" h ☐



Yellow lady slipper

U036 **Milkwort, Pyrenees** **NEW**

Polygala vayredae

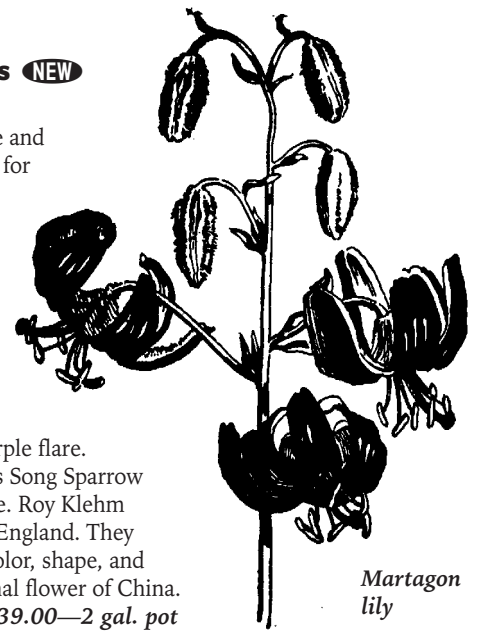
Glossy leaves, topped with purple and yellow flowers, form a dense mat for moderately moist sites. 4–10" h ○●

\$15.00—1 quart pot

U037 **Peony, Gansu Mudan**

Paeonia rockii

Uncommon woody peony with flowers up to 10" wide, white with a red flare, not the usual purple flare. These are seedlings from Klehm's Song Sparrow Nursery grown by Harvey Buchite. Roy Klehm got the seeds from a gardener in England. They are generally uniform in flower color, shape, and foliage type. The unofficial national flower of China. 60–84" h ○●● \$39.00—2 gal. pot



Martagon lily



Gansu Mudan peony

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Hardy Perennials (continued)

Key

- Full sun
- ◐ Part sun/part shade
- Shade

- 🐝 Attractive to bees
- 🦉 Audubon-endorsed
- 🦋 Butterfly-friendly
- 🐦 Hummingbird-friendly

- 🌿 Attractive foliage
- 🍷 Culinary
- 🌸 Edible flowers
- 🌱 Ground cover
- 🏠 Houseplant
- 🩹 Medicinal
- 📄 Minnesota native
- 🌳 Rock garden

- ❄️ Cold-sensitive: keep above 40°F
- ☠️ Toxic to humans
- 🛒 Saturday restock

Peony, Itoh *Paeonia suffruticosa* x *lactiflora*

These crosses between the woody and common peonies have stems that hold up well in rain (no support needed). Grows from the ground up each year like a common peony, but with large (5–9”), long-lasting flowers on stronger stems like a woody peony. Early summer bloom. Deer-resistant. ○☺

\$35.00—2 gal. pot:

U038 **Bartzella**—Canary yellow 9” double blossoms with red flames at the center. Slightly spicy scent. Mature plants can bear 30 flowers. 24–36”h

\$59.00—1 gal. pot:

U039 **Cora Louise**—Semi-double to double 8–10” white flowers with deep fuchsia-lavender marks. Prominent yellow stamens. Up to 50 flowers on mature plants. Light fragrance. Mid-late season. 26–30”h by 42–48”w

U040 **Julia Rose**—Large, single to semi-double flowers in cherry red fading to soft apricot and then to yellow blending to reddish purple. Pleasant, slightly spicy scent. Especially vigorous. 28”h by 42”w



Scarlet peony

Peony, Itoh continued

\$65.00—2 gal. pot:

U041 **Morning Lilac**—Semi-double magenta with a whiskey yellow center. The petals are delicately streaked with white, purple at base, and lighten to lavender-pink. Some fragrance. 28”h

U042 **Scarlet Heaven**—Deep red with a gold center. 24–30”h

U043 **Singing in the Rain**—Creamy yellow and salmon semi-double. Sweet scent. 36–48”h

U044 **Peony, Scarlet** *Paeonia peregrina*

One of the most asked-for species peonies. Brilliant red single flowers with attractive yellow stamens. 20”h ○☺ **\$15.00—3.5” deep pot**

Peony, Woody *Paeonia suffruticosa*

Woody peonies can live more than a hundred years. Once established, you will be rewarded each year with an abundance of beautiful, huge flowers. They require at least four to five hours of sunlight daily and good drainage with high humus content. Blooms late spring. Deer-resistant. ○●☺

\$39.00—1 gal. pot:

U045 **Godaisyu** **NEW**—Semi-double 10” white flower with a yellow center. Ancient Japanese variety. Fast grower. Also known as Five Continents. 36–60”h

U046 **Kao** **NEW**—Fragrant 10” double is deeply ruffled with a yellow center. Opens rose red and develops a pink edge. Also known as The King of Flowers and Kaow. 48–60”h

Peony, Woody continued

\$39.00—1 gal. pot (continued):

U047 **Shima Dajin**—Purple double. 36–60”h by 48–72”w

U048 **Yachiyo-Tsubaki**—Semi-double to double pink. 36–40”h

U049 **Yae Zakura**—Ruffled, semi-double light pink blossoms are deeper pink near the center. Named for cherry tree blossoms having more than the usual five petals, “yaezakura.” Lightly fragrant. Early. 48–60”h

U051 **Puccoon** *Lithospermum carolinense*

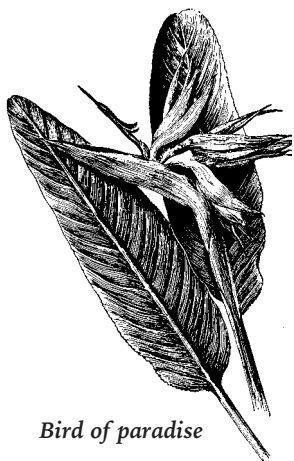
Bright orange-yellow 1” flowers with five petals splayed outwards around a tubular base. Stems, with light white hairs, rise in groups of five above lance-shaped leaves. Flowers give way to very hard seeds. “Puccoon” indicates it was used as a dye. Minnesota native wild flower. Sherburne County, Minn., source. 6–24”h ○🐝🦋🌿☺ **\$30.00—1 gal. pot**



Puccoon

Photo by Eric Hunt from the Wikimedia Commons

Tender Perennials *Over-winter these plants indoors because they won't tolerate frost. It's fun to outfox winter!*



Bird of paradise

U052 **Bird of Paradise** *Strelitzia* **NEW**

Dramatic, long-lasting orange and blue flowers bloom when the plant is mature. 60–72”h ○🐝🦋☺ **\$25.00—10” pot**

U053 **Chilean Rhubarb** *Gunnera tinctoria*

Giant, prehistoric-looking 48–60” leaves on thick stalks can be put on the edge of a pond or stream for the summer. Like rhubarb, the stalks are edible. The deeply lobed leaves have jagged margins and a coarse, prickly texture. Needs constant moisture, but the crown should be above water level. Fertilize well. Can be over-wintered dry in the basement like cannas. 72”h by 72”w ○ **\$15.00—1 gal. pot**

U054 **Devilwood** **NEW**

Osmanthus heterophyllus Goshiki
Grown for its variegated holly-like foliage. Glossy, spiny leaves emerge red, then turn green mottled with cream, white, gold, and bronze. “Goshiki” is Japanese for “five colors.” This variety may or may not have tiny, fragrant white flowers that hide under the leaves in late spring. Happy in containers. RHS Award of Garden Merit. Height depends on how many years you over-winter it indoors. ○●🐝 **\$39.00—1 gal. pot**

U055 **Foxglove, Fire** **NEW**

x *Digiplexis* Illumination Berry Canary
Spires of bell-shaped raspberry-pink flowers with creamy yellow, burgundy-speckled throats. A hybrid between the foxglove you know and a tropical foxglove. Blooms from spring through fall because it cannot produce seeds. Incredible as a cut flower. Over-winter dry in the basement. Deer- and gopher-resistant. 36”h ○●🐝🦋☺ **\$15.00—1 gal. pot**

U056 **Guava, Yellow** **NEW**

Psidium cattleianum lucidum
Round yellow 2” fruits are fragrant, sweet, and tangy. Eat fresh, skin and all, or use in drinks and desserts. Fruit is difficult to transport and seldom found in stores, but your potted tree should give you fruit within three years. Grows slowly. Great plant to grow in a container and will fruit in a five-gallon pot. 48–60”h ○●🐝 **\$3.00—3.5” pot**

U057 **Kumquat** **NEW**

Citrus japonica Centennial Variegated
Yellow and greenish striped fruits ripen to orange streaked with red. 2” fruit is larger and the thin peel sweeter than most kumquats. Mature fruit can remain edible on the tree for months. Leaves are pale yellow and cream. Self-pollinating, lacks thorns, and grows well in a sunny window all winter. Should start fruiting in a year or two. Fragrant white flowers and glossy foliage. Needs excellent drainage. Height depends on how many years you over-winter it indoors. 4–6”h ○🐝🦋 **\$39.00—1 gal. pot**

U058 **Orchid Cactus** *Epiphyllum*

Varieties: Fluffy Ruffles, Harry Avery, Lips Betrayed, Pacesetter, and Wild Thing. Wide, flat stems with scalloped edges trail down from a hanging basket or a pot on a table. Tropical rainforest cacti grow in trees. Prefers bright indirect light, well-drained soil, and tolerates being slightly potbound. Thornless. 5”h ○ **\$25.00—8” pot**

U059 **Orchid, Chinese Ground** **NEW**

Bletilla striata
Stems rise above clumps of pleated leaves, each adorned with multiple 2” pink-purple flowers that resemble small cattleya orchid flowers. Also known as hyacinth orchid. Over-winter in a fruit-free refrigerator. A terrestrial orchid. 12–18”h ○● **\$16.00—3.5” pot**

U060 **Sierra Leone Lily** **NEW**

Chlorophytum orchidastrum Fire Flash
Broad, glossy leaves with a flamboyant orange stripe up the center and orange stems. Makes a lovely patio plant. Relative of the common spiderplant houseplant, but looks nothing like it. Indirect or filtered light, but not deep shade. Likes warmth and humidity. Treat as a houseplant for the winter. 12–20”h ●🐝🦋☺ **\$11.00—3.5” pot**

U061 **Sugar Cane**

Saccharum officinarum Purple Ribbon
Heirloom from our southern states. An annual grass with arching, sharp-edged leaves. Its jointed stems contain a sweet sap used for syrup and molasses. The stem cores can be chewed as a treat. Prefers moist soil. Best grown in the ground, then dug to pot up for the winter. 60–92”h ○●🐝 **\$16.00—5.25” pot**

U062 **Tree of India** *Amorphophallus konjac*

Tender bulb that sends a single mottled stalk up in spring, opening to multiple leaflets, like a miniature tree. After several years, the bulb reaches blooming size and a reddish purple spathe with a protruding dark brown spadix rises, before the stalk and leaf appear. Not a houseplant, it should be planted in the garden or a large pot, then dug to keep the bulb dry and inside for the winter. Grown as a vegetable in Asia. Also called voodoo lily. 36–54”h ○●●🐝☺ **\$9.00—4.5” pot**



Fluffy Ruffles



Lips Betrayed



Pacesetter



Wild Thing

Above: some of the assorted orchid cactus (*Epiphyllum*), U058.

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