



Pelham Plants Nursery Ltd

Pelham Plants Catalogue 2023

Welcome to our 2023 catalogue.

Thanks to your fantastic support in recent years, we continue to expand the choice we can offer. We are sure that you will find a few things to entice you to visit us, order online, or attend some of our events from our extensive programme this year, including a display at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. Our nursery continues to grow and improve, but we remain confident that we can still give you the best personal advice and supply you with the same excellent quality plants in 'peat-free' compost.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Paul & the team.

Listed below are the plants we aim to have available this year. We are proud of 'home growing' all our plants. Unfortunately, with the small batch sizes and rapid turnover of stock in recent years, we no longer find it possible to produce regular up-to-date availability lists. We are sorry, but we cannot guarantee that all of the following plants will be available at all times.

During some less busy times of the year we will list plants for sale on our Pelham Plants [WebShop](#). This new online service has a limited selection of choice plants we have produced in larger quantities. We aim to expand this service in the coming months and years. However, if you wish to order plants not currently promoted in the WebShop, but listed below in the wider catalogue, please enquire about availability by email at pelhamplants@gmail.com or over the phone on 07377 145970.

It is still advisable to visit the nursery in person for the best range and advice. Parking is limited and we are often busy selling off site at events, so visits are to the nursery are strictly by appointment only. Book your visit at [pelhamplants/visit-us](#), where even last minute appointments are easy. Please contact us to check plant availability before travelling long distances.

We have taken the decision not to list prices in the catalogue. Our focus has always been on keeping plants in tip-top condition, and plant prices can vary mid-season by batch and pot size. Prices start from as little as £5.50, but typically remain great value at about the £7.50 to £9.50 range. Please book a visit to see what great value we offer, refer to our WebShop prices or contact us for a no obligation quote.

A flat-rate delivery charge for all orders is currently £12, using a next day courier service. Full explanation, delivery charges and terms and conditions are listed on our website: www.pelhamplants.co.uk

Plants available during 2023	Description
Achillea 'Fornsett Fletton' .	Rich orange red fading to a pleasing peachy hue. 70cm
Achillea 'Lilac Beauty' .	Classy selection of rosy-lilac. Fades well to a softer lavender colour. Choice form. 70cm
Achillea 'Saucy Seduction' .	Compact form suited to front of the border. Raspberry coulis?
Achillea 'Terracotta' .	Soft orange fading to burnt umber. Delicious.
Achillea millefolium 'Credo' .	An Ernst Pagels selection with clean yellow flowers fading to cream over strong silvery foliage.
Achillea millefolium 'Rose Madder' .	The flat tops of this rose-red Achillea add a structural contrast to the border. Strong and reliable. 50cm
Acis autumnalis .	A little 'Leucojum' now renamed Acis. Little white bonnets in autumn over grassy foliage and stems. Ideal for a focal pot. 10cm.

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Aconitum carmichaelii 'Wilsonii Group'.	Late summer flowering in a particularly good cobalt blue. 100cm
Aconitum napellus 'Bergfürst'.	Delicately cut foliage emerges in spring, followed by an early summer flowering in a rich indigo. A real winner. 80cm
Actaea 'Hillside Black Beauty'.	Excellent foliage foil with its choco-bronze-purple foliage, but peaks in late summer/autumn with white scented flowers excellent for pollinators. Retentive soil. 1.2m
Actaea biternata.	Compact Japanese perennial with glossy green leaves and spikes of cream coloured buds and clean white flowers to 80cm.
Actaea pachypoda 'ex Misty Blue'.	Seedlings from the variety with white flower spikes over interesting blue / green foliage in late summer. Syn.White Baneberry (or 'Doll's Eyes') named for the clusters of white winter fruits on red stalks. Best in a retentive soil in part sun. 70cm
Actaea simplex 'Pritchard's Giant'.	I grow it for the lovely dark trim to green foliage and scented flowers. It never seems a giant to me... 150cm
Actaea yesoensis.	Tall Japanese species with tall stems holding narrow spikes of scented white flowers. 2m
Agapanthus 'Back in Black'.	New hybrid with rich purple-blue flowers from the darkest stems and buds. 80cm
Agapanthus 'Enigma'.	Very large heads of white flowers, each with a pale blue base to the 'trumpet'. 70cm
Agapanthus 'Gayle's Lilac'.	Pale lilac-blue flowers on 70cm stems over semi-evergreen foliage.
Agapanthus 'Quink Drops'.	A. inapertus hybrid with rich navy pendulous flowers. 1.2m
Agapanthus 'Rotterdam'.	Excellent hybrid with large dense heads of pale blue flowers that stand well. 1m
Agapanthus 'Silver Lining'.	Hybrid between A.inapertus and A.praecox with silvery white almost pendulous flowers on tall stems. 1m
Agapanthus 'Streamline'.	Sky blue flowers with a darker stripes on the petals. 50cm
Agapanthus 'Twister'.	Dense heads of blue buds, opening to large white flared trumpets with blue outers. 90cm
Agapanthus 'Windsor Grey'.	Strong upright plants with a pale grey-lilac flower. Very tasteful. 100cm.
Agapanthus inapertus subsp. pendulus 'Graskop'.	Darkest buds and deep blue pendulous flowers. Compact flower heads and stature more than compensated for by its charm. 80cm
Agapanthus umbellatus 'Alba'.	Pure white form with semi-evergreen foliage and hardy to -5c. Perhaps ideal for coastal planting or for winter protection.
Alcalthaea suffruticosa? 'Parkallee'.	Tall arching stems to over 2m with tasteful semi-double creamy apricot-pink hollyhock like flowers. Truly perennial. For sun and good winter drainage.
Alchemilla erythropoda 'Turkish Form'.	Dwarf Lady's Mantle.
Allium 'Lavender Bubbles'.	Another excellent new hybrid of the summer flowering fleshy rooted perennial. Soft lavender-pinkish flowers with a very useful late summer flowering period. 40cm
Allium 'Medusa'.	Seductive form with amethyst purple heads in summer, with a long season of interest from the arresting twisty foliage.
Allium 'Millennium'.	Large heads of violet purple mid-summer. Easy clumping giant chive.
Allium senescens subsp. glaucum.	Kept lean, this chive relative has the most charming twisty grey foliage of the lot, and is therefore of great interest long before it flowers. 25cm
Allium thunbergii 'Ozawa'.	A favourite at our autumn shows. Fine foliage followed by late season rich purple pink flowers in September. Excellent for pot work or raised bed. 15cm.
Alstroemeria 'Cardinal Purple'.	Rich purple with almost no markings to the throat of the flower. 60cm
Alstroemeria 'Flaming Star'.	Bright orange form with very limited facial markings for a clean, and unfussy effect. Ideal for hot borders and cutting gardens. 70cm
Alstroemeria 'Indian Summer'.	Now widely available this form with the contrasting dark foliage and bright copper orange flowers is a modern classic. 60cm
Alstroemeria 'Maze'.	Lightly speckled clean white flower on this Peruvian Lily. Requires bright but cool spot with a good depth of soil. Mulch, especially in first winter. Grow this for its compact habit at 45cm

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Alstroemeria 'Red Elf'.	Lightly speckled clear red flower on this Peruvian Lily. Requires bright but cool spot with good soil. Mulch, especially in first winter. H45cm: no staking! Excellent cut flower.
Alstroemeria 'Royal Velvet'.	Upright rich burgundy crimson with minimal flecking the flower throat. 60cm
Althaea cannabina.	From a tight rootstock, twiggy stems grow to 1.8m or more supporting through summer 2cm wide palest pink hollyhock like flowers backed by green calyces. Charming and easy given good drainage.
Amicia zygomeris.	Exotic upright foliage plant. Dramatic Mexican bean relative hardy to -5c.
Amsonia 'Cally Dark Stem'.	Distinctively dark stems support broad leaves and the typical early summer 'blue star' flowers. 60cm.
Amsonia illustris.	This has broad, willow shaped leaves which also colour well and typical starry flowers in pale turquoise blue. 90cm.
Anisodonteia 'El Royo'.	Open airy shrubby mallow covered in tasteful small, warm-pink flowers over a very long summer season. Prune to shape in spring.
Anisodonteia capensis.	Upright 'Cape Mallow' with small & dainty raspberry flowers all summer long. Best in a sunny well drained spot. Protect from the harshest of winters. Prune in spring. 1m
Anthemis 'Cally Cream'.	Originally from Cally Gardens, a tasteful daisy for masses of summer flowers. 70cm
Anthericum ramosum.	syn. Branched St. Bernard's Lily. Starry white flowers float on airy stems over clumps of fine grass-like foliage.
Aquilegia 'White Barlow'.	Crisp and clean spurless double white flowers. 75cm
Aruncus 'Misty Lace'.	Large, creamy white, feathery plumes are produced on dark red stems in early summer. Intermediate in height between its parents, A. aesthusifolius and A. dioicus at 90cm.
Aster 'Chilly Fingers'. AGM.	Avondale Nursery's lucky seedling with narrow pale lavender blue petals. The generous sprays may need a supporting truss or two. 1.2m approx.
Aster 'Cotswold Gem'.	An exciting new 'Lutetia' and 'amellus' hybrid from Cotswold Garden Flowers. Bushy and upright with starry violet flowers. A real winner we think.
Aster 'Johan'.	Large, semi-double deep blue flowers cover a domed plant in autumn. Pleasing new introduction from de Hessenhof nursery. 50cm
Aster 'Prairie Purple'.	A good recent introduction, this rich purple daisy mixes well with the blues and yellows of autumn. Trouble free and self supporting. 120cm
Aster amellus 'Forncett Flourish'.	Rich violet purple flowers on a reliable and healthy plant. Easy in sun. 40cm
Aster amellus 'Gründer'.	Sold to me as stronger, cleaner, and easier on heavy soil. This didn't disappoint.
Aster amellus 'Violet Queen'.	An old cultivar selected by Karl Forster and which remains unchallenged. Large, rich violet flowers in Sept/Oct. 40cm.
Aster cordifolius 'Chieftain'.	Charming cordifolius hybrid smothered with small, pale blue flowers. Upright to 150cm
Aster cordifolius 'Little Carlow'.	The must-have classic border aster: large, lavender-blue flowers, a colour particularly enhanced by the autumn light. 120cm.
Aster ericoides 'Blue Star'.	Masses of small blue flowers with pale yellow centres over wiry growth in October. Charming. 60cm.
Aster ericoides 'Rosy Veil'.	A sucker for how easy the ericoides are, I bought another: softest pink on the typical arching stems. Too subtle? Too tasteful?
Aster ericoides 'Yvette Richardson'.	With its fresh green foliage, pale lavender-blue flowers and compact habit, this is a super plant for the border front. 40cm.
Aster ericoides var. prostratum 'Snow Flurry'.	The prostrate form with masses of tiny white daisies in autumn. Stunning when allowed to creep over a wall, edge or gravel path. 10cm.
Aster laevis 'Orpheus'.	Large vivid purple-blue flowers stand out from the crowd in September & October. Strong dark stems. Any good rich soil in sun. 120-150cm.
Aster lateriflorus 'Chloe'.	Dazzling white flowered form of the 'Calico Aster' with large arching arms covered in white daisies with pink centres. Similar to A. Horizontalis but larger white petals give a cleaner effect. 1m
Aster lateriflorus 'Horizontalis'.	I have grown this for years and I love the sunny September days when its covered in 100's of white flowers and as many bees....

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Aster novae-angliae 'Alex Deamon'.	A rich good violet blue flower on an upright plant to 120cm. Drought tolerant and mildew resistant.
Aster novae-angliae 'Andenken an Alma Pötschke'.	syn. Gift from Alma Pötschke. The best coloured New England Aster. Good sized rich purple-pink. An eye catcher at the time of the year when you need it.
Aster novae-angliae 'Guido en Gezelle'.	Masses of large blue flowers. A good new hybrid with some of the best blue flowers we have seen. Drought tolerant and mildew resistant. 100cm
Aster novae-angliae 'Helen Picton'.	Wonderful selection named for Helen at Old Court nurseries and the Picton Garden. Rich purple flowers on a compact plant. Gives a semi-double or slightly ruffled appearance. 1m
Aster novae-angliae 'Ivy Patterson'.	A lovely new glowing violet-purple. Trouble free and self supporting. Easy to grow & mildew free in any good garden soil in sun or part shade. From Brian and named for Steph's mum from when they were at Avondale nursery. 100cm
Aster novae-angliae 'Marina Wolkonsky'.	Our darkest purple New England Aster always covered with a lots of flowers. Good upright habit for the middle or back of the border. 120cm
Aster novae-angliae 'Rosa Sieger'.	An excellent healthy hybrid in a fluffy, light pink. Mixes well with grasses and Persicarias here.
Aster novae-angliae 'Rudelsburg'. AGM.	Large soft rose-pink daisies on stout stems. A good, upright mid-border performer. Excellent for pollinators. Easy in most soils in good light. 100cm
Aster pilosum var. pringlei 'Monte Cassino'.	Arching and much branching late flowering white aster. Excellent for cut flowers. 80cm
Aster pringlei 'Pink Star'.	Finest apple green foliage topped with dainty, stary mid pink daisies in Autumn. I still cannot believe that not everyone wants one.....
Aster pyraeus 'Lutetia'.	Domes of pale lilac blue daisies for many weeks in late summer and early autumn. Trouble free easy aster. 60cm.
Aster thomsonii.	Good upright lilac-blue flowered daisy for mid-summer onwards. Originally from Western Himalayas & one of the parents of Aster 'Monch'. H50 cm
Aster trifolius subsp. ageratoides 'Ezo murasaki'.	Small purple flowers, pleasingly late, combined with mildew resistance make for a tough, easy going Japanese aster. Even dry shade. 60cm.
Aster trifolius subsp. ageratoides 'Pink Pillow'.	Our selection with a clean pink flower and good dome habit to 50cm. Even dry shade.
Aster turbinellus. AGM.	Dark willowy stems, clad with glaucous green leaves, erupt in October into a display of small lavender- blue flowers. 150cm.
Aster turbinellus 'Leaflet'.	A favourite with arching wire-like stems creating a giant fibre optic lamp habit. Large lilac-blue flowers late summer. Retains its leaves, hence 'Leaflet!' 120cm
Aster x frikartii 'Mönch'.	A dome of vivid blue daisies from July to September. Hybrid widely grown for good reason. Good, well drained, sunny position. 60cm
Astrantia 'Buckland'.	Subtle combination of pale green and pink that makes for a very natural look. 60cm
Astrantia 'Gill Richardson group'.	The original rich red with classic dark foliage tones. 50cm
Astrantia 'Orlando'.	A strong and reliable white form that seemed to me to have particularly large clean white flowers on quite tall stems. 70cm
Astrantia 'Roma'.	Strong growing Piet Oudolf form with rich madder pink flowers. Sterile, putting its efforts into display rather than regeneration we think. 60cm
Astrantia 'Snow Star'.	Large pure white flowers. One of the best new white selections.
Astrantia 'Star of Fire'.	One of the best new reds with rich burgundy stems and bracts.
Astrantia major 'Moulin Rouge'.	One of the darkest red recent introductions.
Astrantia major 'Pink Pride'.	Bright clean pink flowers for a particularly long summer season. 60cm
Astrantia major 'Ruby Wedding'.	Rich red flowers over similarly hued foliage and stems. Compact and slow but worth the wait.
Astrantia major 'Superstar'.	Larger white flowers (once established). Recommended as an improvement on 'Shaggy', a variety that is a bit mixed in the trade. Best in part shade or a rich moist soil. 60cm

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Astrantia 'Night Owl'.	New selection with deep purple bracts.
Betonica officinalis 'Pink Lace'. AGM.	A seedling with a pale pink appearance that, on closer inspection is white with fine pink tracery. Easy front of border plant. 50cm
Betonica officinalis 'Summer Romance'.	A great new mid pink selection of the easy border front perennial. The June-Sept light pink petals with a white backing offer a charming two-tone effect. 60cm+
Borago pygmaea.	Corsican 'Pygmy Borage' has a summer long display of blue, bell shaped flowers dangling above prickly basal foliage. Good for seeding around in a dryish spot. 20cm
Brunnera 'Alexander's Great'.	Large, strongly silvered leaves with sprays of forget-me-not like flowers in Spring. Distinctly larger in all its parts than the widely grown form 'Jack Frost'.
Brunnera 'Silver Spear'.	Even whiter leaf markings than 'Jack Frost'. Not really spear-like but good pointed leaves. 40cm
Brunnera macrophylla 'Mr Morse'.	This form of the perennial forget-me-not is noted for its silvery, heart-shaped basal leaves and tiny pure white flowers.
Bulbine frutescens 'Avera Sunset Orange'.	Summer flowering succulent with soothing Aloe like juice. Excellent for pot work! Needs sunny & dry spot to overwinter well. 40cm
Calamintha 'Triumphator'.	Covered in masses of small almost white flowers all summer. Aromatic and excellent nectar source for pollinators. Sun and drainage. Ideal for edging and under planting. 40cm
Calamintha subsp. Nepeta 'Marvelette Blue'.	Large rich blue flowers, beloved by bees and foliage minty fresh. Excellent for well drained sun or pot. 45cm
Campanula lactiflora 'Platinum'.	An alluring combination of silvery-grey flowers with pewter sepals. A beautiful plant. 1.4m.
Canna 'Annei'.	Classic 19th century French variety grown for its blue / grey tall & narrow spear-like foliage and late soft-peach coloured small flowers. 2m
Canna 'Bird of Paradise'.	Named for the Strelitzia like narrow blueish foliage with a purple edge. Delicate pale pink flowers late in season. 2-3m
Canna 'Musifolia'.	The banana leafed one! Broad ribbed leaves with purple tones in sun. Will reach 1.8m with a soft orange flower in a good season. So much easier to manage than a banana plant....
Caryopteris X clanodensis 'Dark Knight'.	Easy 'Bluebeard' shrub for late season colour. Prune hard in spring for best flowering. Darkest.
Caryopteris X clanodensis 'First Choice'.	Easy 'Bluebeard' shrub. Good rich blue, slightly earlier than most.
Caryopteris X clanodensis 'Pink Perfection'.	A pale pink form of the (usually) 'Blue Beard' shrub. Best pruned hard in Spring. Easy.
Centaurea montana 'Black Sprite'.	The darkest purple flowered perennial cornflower. Clumping habit. Your best soils in sun or part shade. Silver leaves that can be cut back in midsummer to rejuvenate. Good ground cover at the front a sunny, well drained border. 30cm
Centranthus ruber 'Albus'.	Wall Valarian in its purest white form. Self seeds here in freely draining grit.
Ceratostigma plumbaginoides.	Easy creeping perennial with the most vivid blue flowers and rich red and purple autumn foliage. 15cm
Chrysanthemum 'Apollo'.	Semi double coppery apricot orange. October flowers. Hardy. 60cm.
Chrysanthemum 'Dixter Orange'.	A hardy summer flowering Chrysanth' with double rich copper-orange flowers.
Chrysanthemum 'Goldlaced'.	Double flowers where the dark copper petals have the slightest hint of their gold underside around the edge of each petal. A favourite hardy Chrysanthemum. Sept- Nov flowering. 70cm
Chrysanthemum 'Herbstkuss'.	A great single rich pink flowered form with compoact height 40-60cm. As featured in the recent Gardens Illustrated hardy Chrysanth's article.
Chrysanthemum 'Korejanka'.	Yellowish brown to coppery red semi double flowers appearing richer later in their long season August - November. Front of border at 50cm. From Sarastro nursery.
Chrysanthemum 'Mary Stoker'.	Classy hardy Chrysanth' with delightful apricot yellow daisies to brighten up any dull late summer day... 75cm
Chrysanthemum 'Mei-kyo'.	AGM Dark pink tight pompoms in October. Very old variety sent to Ingwersens in the 1950's from Japan. "Treasure of Kyoto"

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Chrysanthemum 'Rumpelstilzchen'.	Semi double glowing reddish copper flowers with a glowing golden eye. Bought for the name, grown for the colour. Sept- Nov flowering. 60cm
Cirsium rivulare 'Trevor's Blue Wonder'.	Distinct blue hues to the purple flowers on this upright thistle for sun and good winter drainage. 1m+
Coronilla valentina 'Lauren Stevenson'.	Selected at Cotswold Garden Flowers for "its flowers paler yellow than 'Citrina' - the keels decidedly so, greyer foliage and bushier growth". Hardy but benefits from a warm sunny wall.
Corydalis 'Blue Summit'.	Bright green foliage and scented electric blue flowers. Easy in good, leafy, humous rich soil in sheltered shade. 30cm
Corydalis 'China Blue'.	Intensest pale blue flowers over a long spring and early summer period. Easy in good, leafy, humous rich soil in sheltered shade. 30cm
Corydalis calycosa.	Much admired here for its later & long flowering period in a good true blue. Seems easy and tough. Best in a sheltered part shaded position. 25cm
Crococsmia 'Castle Ward Late'.	Tried and tested clumping variety with delicate sprays of fine orange-red flowers over a long season from July. Dark buds and stems add to a classy effect. 90cm
Crococsmia 'Firefly'.	New red variety with yellow throat markings. Finer strappy leaves than some reds and more compact at around 70cm.
Crococsmia 'Hellfire'. AGM.	Bordering on a true red, this is the best Crococsmia to have come our way in years. 90cm.
Crococsmia 'Jupiter'.	Upward facing zesty orange flowers. Strong but strictly clump forming. Easy with a good depth of soil. 70cm
Crococsmia 'Okavango'.	Large peachy-orange flowers over a long season. Originally from Cotswold Garden Flowers nursery. 60cm
Crococsmia 'Orange Devil'.	Upward facing reddish orange flowers in succession on arching dark purple stems. Vigorous but reliable clump forming 'hot' border candidate. 80cm
Crococsmia 'Paul's Best Yellow'.	The substantial rounded golden-yellow flowers go hand in hand with a plant of strong constitution. 60cm.
Crococsmia paniculata 'Cally Grey Leaf'.	An excellentpleated grey foliage foil of almost Phormium proportions. Mid summer arching stems of small but exotic reddish orange flowers. Easy.
Crococsmia x crocosmiiflora 'Babylon'.	Large rich orange flowers with dark red throat markings. The most striking performer at home by far. 70cm
Crococsmia x crocosmiiflora 'Emily McKenzie'.	Very large clean orange flowers with distinct dark markings. Dark stems. 1954 variety that still catches the eye. I love it!
Crococsmia x crocosmiiflora 'Star of the East'.	Surely the largest flowers? Clean orange flowers with darker buds (and outer segments) over a very long season. Open habit. Originally found at Hidcote.
Dianthus carthusianorum 'Tall Form'. AGM.	Tiny bright pink flowers clusters open in long succession, as much as 80cm above the dome of foliage. That transparent look in sunny & well drained spot.
Dianthus cruentus.	syn. The Blood Pink. Cruentus means blood stained! Clusters of red flowers opening in succession over a long season on tall airy stems. For sunny pot, gravel garden or dry border. 50cm
Dianthus deltoides 'Hot Pink'.	A 'Maiden Pink' seedling here with eye scorching small, bright pink flowers, for a long season held just aloft over a sprawling mat of dark evergreen foliage. 15cm
Dicentra 'Bacchanal'.	Wine red 'bleeding heart' flowers (Bacchus was also the god of wine I think). Strong and reliable spreading form with fern-like foliage and upright branches of flowers. Sheltered borders in part shade with a good open soil. 40cm
Dicentra formosa 'Boothmans'.	A compact 'bleeding hearts' to 35cm in height, with quite delicate & finely divided grey-green leaves and arching sprays of deep rosy-pink flowers.
Disporopsis pernyi.	Evergreen Solomon's Seal. Dense patch of compact rich green stems with pendulous white flowers. Easy but slug prone in spring.
Doellingeria umbellata.	Flat topped aster. For those of us who value the 'umbel' shaped flower, or value the early vivid hues to the upright foliage. Just me then?
Echinacea 'Delicious Candy'.	Early & compact variety with a glowing rich pink flower. 50cm

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Echinacea 'Happy Star'.	A good white form of the 'North American Cone Flower'. Upright to 80cm.
Echinacea 'Magnus Superior'.	Larger rich pink flowers on this improved selection of the strong and reliable cone flower. 75cm
Echinacea pallida.	The narrow, pale pink backswept petals are iconic. Easy given sun and good deep soil that drains well in winter. 100cm
Echinacea pallida 'Hula Dancer'.	Palest pink, the fine and loosely dangling petals are ideal for a naturalistic planting. For a bright position and well drained soil. 80cm
Echinacea purpurea 'Rubinstern'.	We'll hopefully have divisions of this splendid large flowered form ready in summer.
Echinops 'Veitch's Blue'.	The best deep blue of the Globe Thistles, a key pollinator plant for mid border. Striking winter silhouette. 1m.
Epimedium 'Spine Tinger'.	The elongated, spiny purple spring foliage is as decorative as the large soft yellow spurred flowers that float above.
Epimedium fargesii 'Pink Constellation'.	Starry lilac-pink flowers with a purple underskirt and particularly elegant slender toothed foliage. 30cm.
Epimedium x warleyense.	Tasteful 'Bishops Mitre' with small spring flowers of coppery orange sepals. Excellent ground cover in part shade or shade. 40cm
Eragrostis trichodes.	Upright froth of pinkish flower in high summer. The 'Sand Love Grass' need sun and sharp drainage to overwinter. 1.2m
Erigeron annuus.	Tall self-seeding annual pure white small flowered daisy. May need support or allow to naturalise through perennials?
Eryngium planum.	An unfortunate name for such a good garden plant. Always provides a reliable, generous display of its small silvery-blue flowers. 100cm.
Eryngium planum 'Blaukappe'.	The 'Blue Cap' selection is more compact than some, but just as easy. Low mounds of basal foliage and upright stems topped with many thumbnail sized flowers. Excellent for pollinators. 60cm
Eryngium planum 'Fluela'.	Excellent violet-blue flowers hover on branched wiry stems above the flat ('planum') basal leaves. 80cm
Eryngium x tripartitum.	A hybrid 'sea holly' with masses of small flowers in branched clusters, each with narrow spiny bracts that as a whole gives the plant an impressive metallic blue effect. 60cm
Eryngium x zabelii 'Jos Eijking'.	Selection of the hybrid form with rich metallic spiny collared flowers. Strong and reliable. 100cm
Eryngium x zabelii 'Violetta'.	A tried and tested E.alpinum hybrid with dark violet blue stems & flowers and fine filigree bracts. Long lived hybrids if given a good depth of soil, winter drainage and plenty of space to bask. 70 cm
Eucomis comosa 'Sparkling Burgundy'.	Add a tropical feel to pot or border. Rich purple-bronze foliage topped with spires of pale pink flowers on dark stems. Hardy if mulched well. Large bulb supplied.
Eupatorium dubium 'Baby Joe'.	More compact than the rest, you'll easily see the butterflies on this. 1-1.2m
Euphorbia 'Abbeydore'.	Fine, grey-green foliage on compact stems and neat lime-yellow flowers over a very long season. Sun and good drainage essential. 40cm
Euphorbia 'Excalibur'.	Excellent emerging spring foliage of pinks, purples and greens. Limey flowers and green ripened foliage follows in summer.
Euphorbia ceratocarpa.	Wonderful open clusters of fine limey-yellow 'flowers' non stop all summer, autumn and sometimes beyond. Good fine foliage. Not easy, needs sharp drainage to overwinter well. 1m.
Euphorbia cornigera.	A border stalwart. A long succession of vibrant lime green flowers appear on branching heads. This form is upright on wonderfully dark stems.
Euphorbia epithymoides 'Candy'.	Syn. E. polychroma 'Candy'. Massed vibrant yellow-green bracts in spring. Dome like, fresh looking plant that shows excellent candy pink autumn colours. Compact to 35-45cm.
Euphorbia epithymoides 'Midas'.	Aptly named with limey gold bracts in late spring. Easy in part shade. Unassuming but a 'must have'. 45cm
Euphorbia griffithii 'Fireglow'.	Rich orange flowers in late Spring. Stunning reddish foliage markings. Open habit for mixing through a border.

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Euphorbia myrsinites.	syn 'Myrtle spurge'. Unmistakable glaucous-grey sprawling spurge with lime bracts in summer. Definitely for a hot and free draining spot.
Euphorbia schillingii.	Usefully upright and slightly later to flower, this is easy and robust. Quickly forms a multistemmed thicket, but is not invasive. 1m
Euphorbia sikkimensis.	Hardy Sikkim Spurge that emerges reddish in spring, maintaining some bright markings until summer when the upright stems are topped with limey heads. 80cm
Euphorbia x gayeri 'Betten'.	This is a vigorously spreading form, forgiven its vigour for its fine foliage and wand like stems. Don't be scared. 60cm
Eurybia x herveyi.	Easy, spreading mid-blue daisy best suited to part shade. Its old name of Aster macrophylla 'Twilight' had more of a 'ring' to it, we think...!
Fatsia japonica 'Spiders web'.	Exciting marble variegated False Japanese Aralia. Best in sheltered shade. Frost hardy.
Fragraria x ananassa 'Red Ruby'.	Rich red coloured flowered form of the spreading hardy strawberry for meandering groundcover. Cottage garden favourite. 20cm
Fuchsia 'Hawkhead'.	A hardy Fuchsia with white flowers faintly tipped green. Very tasteful, seriously. 90cm
Fuchsia boliviana.	Tender exotic looking Fuchsia with long, hanging clusters of waxy flowers of a vibrant fluorescent red. Often grown for the edible fruits. These plants raised from seed collected here.
Fuchsia microphylla.	The small leaved (and small vibrant pink flowered) fuchsia has a stronger presence in the garden than this description suggests.
Gaura lindheimeri 'Cool Breeze'.	Now in Oenothera, the 'Whirling Butterflies' is a delight. Easy if baked and well drained. "It is not in the first flight of herbaceous plants but its long flowering period does much to recommend it." (Graham Stuart Thomas).
Gaura lindheimeri 'Summer Breeze'.	Now in Oenothera, the 'Whirling Butterflies' is a delight. "It is not in the first flight of herbaceous plants but its long flowering period does much to recommend it." (Graham Stuart Thomas). This form selected as particularly hardy white form suited to growing in the UK. Easy if baked, well drained and left uncut until spring.
Gaura sinuata.	A taller white species, at 100cm or more. Don't hide it at the back of the border.
Geranium 'Anne Thomson'.	Rich magenta pink flowered form of G.psilostemon with a sprawling habit. Foliage emerges limey green in spring. One of the best forms for flower power.
Geranium 'Eureka Blue'.	A selection from and improvement on 'Orion'. Larger, rich blue flowers over a long season.
Geranium 'Ivan'.	Strong growing G.psilostemon selection with the branching heads of large vibrant pink flowers at 50cm. Wide habit. For sun.
Geranium 'Nimbus'.	Distinctly purple hued violet-blue flowers with fine, almost filigree foliage. 50cm.
Geranium 'Red Admiral'.	Not quite red but the largest, richest magenta pink saucers of the bunch. 50cm
Geranium himalayense 'Gravetye'.	Easy groundcover geranium with large rich blue salvers. Useful compact height at 30-40cm.
Geranium himalayense 'Plenum'.	Deep lilac-blue double flowers.
Geranium maculatum 'Elizabeth Ann'.	We love the compact mound of coffee foliage and contrasting en masse small purple-pink flowers with a pale green calyx. One of the best of the shade tolerant American woodlanders. Enjoys humusy soil.
Geranium maculatum 'Spring Purple'.	Intense bright purple flowered form of the easy American woodlander. Easy and charming. 40cm
Geranium nodosum 'Dark form'.	The glossy green leaved and wiry stemmed drought tolerant geranium in a glowing purple flowered form. 40cm
Geranium phaeum 'Lisa'.	Originally from Coen Jensen, this variegated form would not normally be my 'cup of tea'. The winter emerging foliage is clean and bright and uplifting when I need it most. Strong growing and lovely rich purple flowers. A favourite still.
Geranium phaeum 'Raven'.	Surely the darkest flowering 'mourning widow'? Rich purple-black flowers nodding at up to 70cm over a strong clump of clean green foliage.
Geranium phaeum 'Samobor seedling'.	Divisions from an excellent seedling with good heritage and charming clean leaf markings and rich burgundy flowers over a long season. Reliable perennial with a more compact habit than some. 50cm

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Geranium pratense 'Else lacey'.	Excellent soft lilac blue double flowers on the usual, strong upright growth of a Meadow Cranesbill. Has reached a height of 1m or more here.
Geranium pratense 'Striatum'. AGM.	I cannot resist the random purple on white markings of this meadow cranesbill. Not subtle, but better than Damien Hirst's mass produced spin art any day.
Geranium psilostemon.	The show stopper form and the species source of the rich magenta colour forms. For sunny, midborder with support? 1.2m
Geranium pyrenaicum 'Bill Wallis'. AGM.	Small, rich purple flowers on long, purple-tinged stems throughout summer and autumn. Sprawling, semi-evergreen, self-seeding cranesbill. Go on "go wild" and allow to colonise and spread!
Geranium wallicianum 'Azure Rush'.	More compact and paler lavender-blue than G.Rozanne, but equally long flowering and reliable. Use to scramble through short border front plants in sun or part shade.
Geum 'Blazing Sunset'.	Fully double rich reddish-orange flowers on tall stems. This kind of sunset would need the fire brigade.... 50cm
Geum 'Bremner's Nectarin'.	Selected by the prolific geranium breeder Alan Bremner for its long flowering season of slightly large nodding flowers. Compact and needing humous rich flowers. 25cm
Geum 'Fire Opal'.	Excellent 1928 hybrid with semi-double orange-red flowers in summer. 50cm
Geum 'Flames of Passion'.	A repeat flowering form with semi-double red with a hint of orange flowers. Slightly shorter than some at 50cm
Geum 'Mandarin'.	A strong upright selection originally from Cally Gardens nursery with coppery orange flowers. Deadheading can extend the flowering season from May to September...! 50cm
Geum 'Prinses Juliana'.	Fiery orange, semi double flowers produced May - August on tall wiry stems. 60cm
Geum 'Scarlet Tempest'.	Rich but subtle 'sunset red' flowers in this large but not blousy, newish repeat flowering selection by Elizabeth MacGregor. 50cm
Geum 'Totally Tangerine'.	No introduction needed. The many months of flower at 70cm make this a knockout.
Geum chiloense 'Mrs J. Bradshaw'.	The upright, semi double flowered scarlet red geum you fell in love with. Still one of the best reds. 70cm
Gillenia trifoliata.	"Distinct and graceful." (William Robinson). A long lived perennial with masses of delicate, star-like white flowers. Ideal arching out of semi-shade but we think somewhat tolerant of dry shade or moist sun! Deserves a space in every garden. 70cm.
Gladiolus papilio 'Ruby'. AGM.	A glorious plant and the star of the show here last year. A ravishing rich ruby red, even darker in the throat. Clumps moderately. 60cm
Gypsophila 'Rosenschleier'.	Low mounding 'Baby's Breath' with minute soft pink flowers. A 'rosy veil' for the edge of a raised bed?
Gypsophila paniculata 'Compacta Plena'.	Excellent airy froth of tiny double white flushed pink flowers. Sunny, front of border to contrast with stronger flower colours.
Hedychium 'Tara'.	A first choice, easy, vigorous hybrid Ginger. Long season of tropical foliage topped with giant spikes of orange flowers in late summer. Even 150cm on a rich soil?
Hedychium ellipticum.	The 'shaving brush' ginger is named for its mid- to late summer exotic-looking, spidery white flowers with long stamens and prominent orange anthers. Best in a sheltered sunny position and needing good mulch to protect it to -5c. 1.2m
Hedychium gardenerianum.	The 'Kahili Ginger' has cylindrical racemes of fragrant, lemon-yellow flowers with prominent red stamens in late summer and early autumn. Vigorous to as much as 2m in a warm border position. RHS AGM winner. Mulch in winter.
Helenium 'Can Can'.	A risqué dancing girl whose warm yellow petals lift up to reveal a darker underside. A healthy and vigorous addition to your beds. 100cm
Helenium 'Die Blonde'. AGM.	Boss and flower an unadulterated bright yellow. Very cheering. 180cm
Helenium 'Hot Button'.	New form with small rich coppery red petals surrounding a contrasting hot yellow central boss. Mid height at about 60cm
Helenium 'Hot Embers'.	New form with the orange red of hot coals. Compact at about 60cm.
Helenium 'Kupferzweg'.	Syn. 'Copper Dwarf'. Rich, copper orang-red flowers over a long season on a shorter plant than many. Position it to emerge through a low Pennisetum grass? 75cm.
Helenium 'Moerheim Beauty'.	Still the 'must have' Helenium. An old, tricky variety but the one with the most delicate petals in an unrivalled clean orange-red. Best soil. No overcrowding.

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Helenium 'Rauchtupas'.	syn 'Rusty Topaz'. Rich orange-yellow petals are recurved to reveal the rusty/coppery underside. Reliable & best at the back of the border. 1.5m
Helenium 'Red Jewel'.	New instant classic. Short ruby red for the border front. Lots of dark red flowers that keep the richness of colour over a long season. An excellent Bob Brown introduction. 60-90cm
Helenium 'Sahin's Early Flowerer'.	Fantastic long display of large flowers, a mixture of burnt orange and ochre yellow. 1.2m.
Helenium 'Short & Sassy'.	Very short yellow-orange form for the borderfront. 40cm
Helenium 'Tie Dye'.	A favourite recent introduction that ought to be more widely planted. Characterful quilled yellow flowers, purplish red on their underside looking subtle from afar, but deserving close inspection. 90cm.
Helianthus 'Carine'.	A more compact form at H1.5m with very tasteful soft yellow flowers. Much better suited to the typical border than the lofty Lemon Queen.
Helianthus orgyalis.	A more upright version of H.salicifolius. The willowy foliage carried all the way up the stunning, sturdy, near black stems. Oh and topped with large bright yellow flowers. Sometimes you need to make a statement. 2m+.
Hemerocallis 'American Revolution'. AGM.	Suave, dusky black purple flowers, rather sinister in an odd, appealing sort of way. 75cm.
Hemerocallis 'Corky'.	Zestful, lemon yellow flowers from wiry mahogany stems and buds. Never disappoints. 60cm.
Hesperantha 'Lipstick'.	New form with large deep red flowers from late summer to the first frosts. Sun and good winter drainage essential. 40-50cm
Hesperantha coccinea 'Mollie Gould'.	Distinctive pale pink with darker streaks as the flower matures. Compact and sturdy form. Best in sun and retentive soil in summer. H50cm
Hesperantha coccinea 'Ruth'.	Flag Lily with a subtle gradual fade or shift from rich red starry petals to a white eye. An interesting hybrid flowering from late summer to the first frosts. 60cm
Heuchera 'Green Spice'.	Stunning lobed and rounded leaves mainly silver-green with a green edge and burgundy leaf veins. Dainty panicles of pale pink flowers in late spring. 40cm
Heuchera sanguinea 'Alba'.	Easily overlooked this simple evergreen leaved form has a flight of subtle white flowers hovering above it in late Spring. Easy to please. 60cm
Heuchera villosa 'Autumn Bride'.	Giant Heuchera with dramatic panicles of creamy white flowers in late summer. Large, apple green foliage is almost exotic. 100cm
Heucherella 'Kimono'.	Maple-like lobed silvery green leaves with veins flushed with dark bronze-purple. Small pink flowers to 50cm spring and early summer.
Hydrangea paniculata 'Limelight'.	Large greenish-white flower panicles late summer fade gracefully to a cream, often reddening in winter. Shade tolerant easy shrub.
Hylotelephium 'Black Grape'.	syn. Sedum. Our own dark seedling. Very rich black purple foliage and stems. Flowers rich purple fading to a softer rose colour. 40cm
Hylotelephium 'Matrona'.	Surely one of the best forms. Upright, strong growth with foliage ripening through green-blue to a brick red and topped by pale pink flowers that age to copper. 50-60cm
Hylotelephium 'Mr Goodbud'.	Magenta purple flower heads of a good size and intense hue. Good, compact and upright blue-green foliage. Easy and reliable. For sun & drainage. 40cm
Hylotelephium 'Red Cauli'.	Red flowers that age so well into a deeper red. My favourite of the Marchants forms.
Hylotelephium 'subsp. ruprechtii'.	Creamy yellow flower heads ripen to a soft red. Clean blue-green foliage. Unusual and striking in our gravel border. 40cm
Hylotelephium 'Vera Jameson'.	An excellent classic form with sprawling, dense clumps of glaucous-purple foliage topped with dusky pink flowers. Sun and winter drainage. 20-30cm
Hylotelephium 'Xenox'.	Richest slatey-purple succulent foliage topped with reddish buds opening pink. Outstanding. 50cm
Ipheion 'Alberto Castillo'.	Sweetly scented pure white 'spring starflower'. Prefers sun and good soil that drains well in winter. Summer dormant. 20cm
Iris sibirica 'Melton Red Flare'.	Perhaps more red in name, but the rich reddish-purple flowers are as close to red that you will get in I.sibirica. Strong clumping to 80cm tall.

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Iris sibirica 'Pageant'.	Unusual seedling originating from Beacon Nursery. Creamy buds open white with a "throat" of many colours.' Do not confuse with Dolly Parton's coat.
Iris sibirica 'Sparkling Rose'. AGM.	We love the pink-purple flowers and find the more compact height useful. 70cm
Iris x robusta 'Gerald Darby'.	The intense purple staining of the new foliage of this iris is quite unlike any Iris we know and can be used to dramatic effect in the garden.
Kalimeris 'Antonia'.	Small pink daisies all summer long on a compact easy going plant. Long flowering. 60cm
Kalimeris 'Charlotte'.	Single small aster-like flowers in light lavender blue. Compact and upright habit with a long succession of flower on branched heads. The best colour in the group we think. 75cm
Kalimeris 'Mon Jardin'.	Successive small clean white starry daisy on branched heads from early summer. The season starts earlier though with the spring mounding decorative and eye-catching incised foliage. 75cm
Kirengeshoma plamata 'Koreana Group'.	syn 'Wax bells. Decorative maple like foliage with useful late summer soft lemon bell flowers. Ideal for dappled shade but copes well in full sun if rich soil. Hates limey soils. Unusual but easy.
Kniphofia 'Mango Popsicle'.	New repeat flowering hybrid. Succession of small rich orange flowers and interesting fine foliage.
Kniphofia 'Orange Vanilla Popsicle'.	Rich coppery orange flowers fade to a creamy white at the base. A useful border front candidate with compact habit to 60cm.
Kniphofia rufa 'Rasta'.	Tall spikes of coral red and lime flowers in summer and autumn over lush strappy, grass like foliage. 90cm
Kniphofia thomsonii 'var. thomsonii'.	Well-spaced, narrow spikes of soft orange flowers. Prominent among Kniphofia due to its very long succession of flowers on new stems through the season. 120cm. If I had to choose one Kniphofia.....
Koenigia x fennica 'Johanniswolke'.	syn. Persicaria polymorpha. Some confusion over the naming here, but the most impressive, stately bamboo like stems topped by pure white flowers that ripen to a brick red over a very long season. Strictly clumping. 2m
Laser trilobum.	syn. Laquilegifolium. Large white summer umbels with really interesting foliage. Disappointingly called 'Horse Caraway'. But more appealing than this sounds! Best in part shade. 70cm
Lathyrus aureus.	Sprays of creamy buds per stem open to golden yellow pea flowers. Good perennial habit. Support to keep it upright at 1m
Lathyrus rotundifolius.	The Persian Everlasting Pea. Covers itself in a gorgeous display of copper-pink flowers in early summer. Perennial best seen clambering an open shrub. Good drainage essential. 150cm
Lathyrus vernus.	Spring Pea. Compact mounds covered in rich purple vetch flowers. Good spring nectar source for bees. Partially shaded spring border. Easy.
Libertia chilensis.	syn. L.grandiflora. The satin white flowers to 90cm over strong grassy clumps. Sun and drainage.
Ligusticum lucidum.	The fresh green filigree foliage is handsome alone. The white domed flowers in May-June come as a generous bonus. Top umbel, but alas a self seeding biennial. 60cm+
Linaria dalmaticum.	The 'Broadleaf Toadflax' has fine glaucous grey leaves and small soft lemon flowers. I like it. But if another customer says they don't like yellow, I will cry.
Linum narbonense.	Excellent dome of rich blue saucer shaped flowers in summer. The fine glaucous foliage is an asset. Sunny and well drained position. 30cm
Lunaria 'Corfu Blue'.	Lovely purple-blue with a long spring flowering period. Seems to be a perennial form that suckers. Easy in even dry part shade for me.
Lunaria annua 'Alba'.	Honesty in its purest white form.
Lunaria annua 'Chedglow'.	Rich burgundy-black foliage and seed pods and contrasting lilac-purple flowers. Easy biennial with decorative papery seed cases.
Lunaria rediviva.	Syn.Perennial Honesty. Small pale lilac flowers in early summer, followed by a very decorative papery seed capsule. Long lived and very tolerant of dry shade once established. 60cm

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Lychnis 'Gardener's World'.	Rich double magenta flowers. Does not set seed so flowers last a very long time. Divide regularly.
Lythrum virgatum 'Dropmore Purple'.	The branched stems and fine foliage of this widespread European and Asian species carry myriad small, deep purple-pink flowers for weeks in mid-summer. Has a quality that becomes addictive to use and associates well with grasses too. 90cm.
Macleaya microcarpa 'Spetchley Ruby'.	The running Plume Poppy is not for the faint at heart. But for foliage effect, ruby flower and persistent reddish dried seed heads, I'll suffer its travelling. Shallow and easy to remove I find. 1.8m
Mathiasella bupleuroides 'Green Dream'.	Easy green bracted umbel in spring that persists until autumn. Interesting glaucous cut leaf foliage for part shade and good soil. Named as late as the 1950s. 1m
Melianthus major.	Grown here for its exotic looking glaucous foliage. If hit by severe frosts will reshoot in spring from below a winter mulch.
Meum athamanticum.	With feather fine foliage and small pads of white flowers this gently unassuming native plant may just win your heart. We have found it to be long lived.
Nepeta 'Altai'.	A mid blue selection of Sibirica with narrow foliage and upright habit. Collected from Altai mountains. 50cm
Nepeta 'Florina'.	An excellent selection from Christian Kress, Sarastro Nursery, Austria. Lovely contrast between the pink flowers and lilac calyx and more compact and tidy than the old 'Dawn to Dusk'. 50cm
Nepeta 'Hill Grounds'.	Thick heads & large individual flowers of the richest purple-blue. A chance hybrid of 'N.Bramdean' and 'N.Walker's Low' from the late Janet Cropley at 'Hill Grounds Gardens'.
Nepeta 'Poseidon'.	Thick, dense panicles of rich purple blue flowers on this excellent form from Sarastro Nursery. 50cm
Nepeta grandiflora 'Chettle Blue'.	Intense blue flowers enhanced by dark calyces. Strong bushy habit. A good new form 60cm.
Nepeta kubanica.	A large violet blue flower on a finer foliaged plant than N.subsessilis. We think this benefits from shelter and some shade. Good reddish autumn tones.
Nepeta nuda.	Unusual upright catmint with ghostly grey-lilac spires on dark stems all summer followed by interesting winter structure. 80-100cm
Nepeta nuda 'Anne's Choice'.	A lesser known form with lovely but impossible to describe greyish-lilac-pink flowers. Easy and reliable. 1.2m
Nepeta x fassenii 'Purrsian Blue'.	Very floriferous compact form. Very impressive density of flowers. 30cm
Omphalodes cappadocica 'Cherry Ingram'.	Brightest blue forget-me-not flowers in early spring. Charming & reliable perennial for good soil in semi shade and some shelter. Named for the Sussex saviour of Japanese flowering cherries. 30cm.
Origanum 'Bristol Cross'.	We love Origanums, and especially this form for its long succession of pink flowers, decorative green bracts and rich source of nectar. 30cm arching stems. Unusual but easy and reliable.
Origanum 'Gentle Breeze'.	Excellent succession of tiny, pink nectar rich flowers for months in summer. Edible and sweetly scented. Upright to 45cm in a sunny well drained spot.
Origanum 'Rosenkuppel'.	Rosy Dome' is a charming hybrid with pale pink flowers from reddish buds. 40cm
Origanum laevigatum 'Herrenhausen'.	Classic decorative oregano with dark, purple toned foliage and a long succession of bright pink flowers emerging from cluster flower heads. Excellent nectar source. 40cm
Orlaya grandiflora.	Pretty 'White Laceflower' hardy annual. Will self sow. Easy.
Osteospermum 'Irish'.	Unbeatable rich purple-pink mat forming 'African Daisy' that given sun and drainage will flower from February to September. Very hardy, even for me. 30cm
Pelargonium 'In variety'.	We aim to have few of our other favourites on offer too, including: P.'Pink Capricorn', P.'Capri', P.'Old Spice', P.'Brilliant', P.'Ardwick Cinnamon', P.'Deerwood Lavender Lass', P.grandiflorum 'Album', P.'Radula'.
Penstemon 'Garnet'.	The gem of the genus. Dark but vibrant red. I like it mixed with blues, but that's up to you...!
Penstemon 'Raven'.	Deep wine purple foxglove-like flowers with white throats. Summer favourite too easily replaced by salvia craze?

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Penstemon 'Sour Grapes' .	Excellent old Margery Fish hybrid with vibrant purple tubular flowers with a blue-green hue. 60cm (True form, NOT the taller white and blue form that should be sold as 'Stapleford Gem'.)
Penstemon hidalgensis.	Clusters of lilac-purple flowers with a white throat on 70cm stems.
Perovskia 'Filigran' .	A more upright and tighter growing form of the familiar icy blue flowered shrub with scented foliage. 80cm+. Of course you already knew Perovskia are now renamed as 'Salvia yangii'...!
Perovskia 'Little Spire' .	Similar to 'Blue Spire' but less fligree foliage and easier to use in most gardens as keeps to around 60cm.
Perovskia atriplicifolia 'Blue Spire' .	In a well-drained soil, the spires of small lavender-blue flowers make a fine vertical accent. Invaluable for its late flowering display. 120cm.
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Alba'. AGM.	Fine fingers of cool white flower and slightly narrower spear like foliage. Refined-ish.
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Early Pink Lady' .	Mid pink flower spikes that mix well with rich blues here. Long succession of flowers through summer.
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Firedance' .	Piet Oudolf's improvement on 'Firetail'. We think the colour cleaner and growth stronger. 120cm
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Inverleith' .	Smaller in all its parts and useful border front candidate. Rich reddish pink. 50cm
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Orangefield' .	A more compact form than many, but a long succession of the most interesting coral pink flowers all summer. Easy and reliable. 60cm
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Pink Mist' .	Fine fingers of palest pink flowers. Subtle colour effect useful for tasteful addition to borders.
Persicaria amplexicaulis 'Rosea' .	Upright narrow spikes of small, pale pink flowers held in crimson calyces creating for weeks a charming two toned effect. Partners Panicum and Miscanthus superbly. 120cm. A favourite.
Persicaria amplexicaulis var. pendula 'Fat Domino' .	Possesses a grace which most Persicarias in this group lack but equally long flowering. The drooping flowers are a distinct purple-magenta, the more so in cooler, wetter weather. 60cm.
Persicaria chinense var. ovalifolium 'Indian Summer' .	Small clusters of hot red flowers & stems with rounded leaves burnished purple by direct sun. Exotic looking but hardy. Michael Wickenden collection. 80cm
Persicaria microcephala 'Silver Dragon' .	Rich purple foliage with silver chevrons. Foliage drama in summer. Flowers insignificant.
Persicaria orientalis.	Kiss me over the garden gate'. Lofty annual with bamboo sturdy stems and drooping cerise bistort flowers. When this is available grab it while you can...
Persicaria virginiana var. filiformis 'White form' .	Bright apple green foliage and later wispy white spires of the smallest flowers. Subtle is an understatement.
Phlox glaberrima 'Bill Baker'. AGM.	Low spreading mounds of fine, mildew resistant foliage smothered in mid pink flowers. Border front.
Phlox paniculata 'Blue Paradise' .	Clusters of mauve-blue flowers with a tiny purple eye. Sunlight or heat appears to change the flower colour through the day. Scented. 70cm
Phlox paniculata 'Dusterlohe' .	Classic variety with darkest violet blue flowers. Syn. 'Phlox Nicky'
Phlox paniculata 'Margery Fish' .	My favourite. Clusters of simple, natural looking, mall purple-pink flowers. Previously sold as 'ex Dixer', now named by them for their original source, the inspirational force behind East Lambrook Gardens.
Phlox paniculata 'Pelham Fuchsia Pink' .	Small vibrant pink flowers in dense panicles. Quite a tasteful, natural look compared to many of the blowsy forms. 120cm
Phlox paniculata 'Starfire' .	Classic 1937 variety, with cherry red highly scented star flowers from mid-summer. A choice long flowering form. 80cm
Phlox x arendsii 'Hesperis'. AGM.	Clusters of small rich pink flowers, not unlike Hesperis! Classy natural look mixing well with grasses here. 120cm
Phlox x arendsii 'Utopia' .	Coen Jensen's best selection: Large clusters of big, pale pink flowers.

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Phytolacca icosandra 'Purpurescens'.	Bright purple-pink flowers spires with purple flushes to stems & foliage. Black berries for the birds. Exotic self seeding tender annual. Toxic.
Pimpinella major 'Rosea'.	Soft-pink umbel easy in all but the driest of soils. 60cm
Plectranthus zuluensis.	Broad fresh apple green leaved form of the 'Spurflower' with icy blue flowers in autumn. Excellent tender exotic foliage plant for shade. 1m
Polemonium 'Heaven Scent'.	Eye-catching rich purple foligae emerges in spring, lightly scented blue flowers follow in early summer. 50cm
Polygonatum cirrhifolium.	Arching dark stems with whorls of fine tendril-like foliage from which is suspended soft pink flowers. Easy shade loving Solomon's Seal relative. 70cm
Primula capitata ssp.mooreana.	Rich purple flowers above silver stems and foliage. Best in sun with a humusy moist soil. 30cm
Primula japonica 'Miller's Crimson'.	Rich reddish flowers in whorls in late spring to early summer. Best in part shade with a humusy moist soil. 45cm
Pulmonaria 'Diana Clare'.	Excellent silver leaved form, found & named by Bob Brown for his wife. Clusters of striking rich cobalt blue flowers in spring. 30cm
Pulmonaria 'Trevi Fountain'.	Long succession of cobalt blue flowers over excellent speckled lungwort foliage. Tough but best in some shade and good soil. 30cm
Pulsatilla halleri.	Pleasing compact pasqueflower with fine, hairy foliage and stary violet-purple flowers and the later tactile fluffy seed heads. For sun and good soil. 20cm
Pulsatilla vulgaris 'Alba'.	Beautiful clean white 'Pasqueflower'. Easy spring flowering perennial for a sunny well drained borderfront position. 40cm
Pulsatilla vulgaris 'rubra'.	Rich madder red 'Pasqueflower'. Easy spring flowering perennial for a sunny well drained borderfront position. Don't deadhead, enjoy the seed heads. 40cm
Ranunculus 'platanifolius'.	Small white buttercup flowers hover at height on a wiry open framework. 80cm. Easy on a retentive soil.
Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii 'Goldsturm'.	Black-Eyed Susan with eye popping yellow petals around central black cone. Compact statement plant that all hot borders or prairie gardens should try. Easy. 60cm
Rudbeckia laciniata 'Herbstsonne'.	Large, slightly reflexed, bright yellow petals surround a large apple green cone. For the back of a large border or prairie border. Known as 'green-eyed Susan' here! 2m+.
Rudbeckia subtomentosa 'Henry Eilers'. AGM.	Having first seen this in Bavaria, thought it a must have. The petals are clear yellow and quilled, giving the plant a deft lightness. Flowers through August-Sept. but may need a pea stick or two. 1.5m.
Rudbeckia triloba 'Prairie Glow'.	Short-lived self-seeding perennial 'Black Eyed Susan' with gold petals that have a distinctly rich copper hue near their centre, creating a reddish glow. 1m
Salvia 'African Sky'.	Borderline hardy salvia with aromatic foliage and a floriferous display of sky blue flowers. Mine will reshoot from the base if left out over winter, but protect to give it a longer, more successful season. 70cm
Salvia 'Amistad'.	The new classic hybrid. Months of darkest indigo flowers on a tall plant. Survives the hardest winters if mulched and not cut back until Spring. 150cm
Salvia 'Blue Note'.	Rich royal blue. Will jazz up any border.....
Salvia 'Ember's Wish'.	Tender Salvia ideal for gap filling. Vibrant orangey-pink long tubular flowers. Exotic looking but easy.
Salvia 'Heatwave Glimmer'.	Good plant, bad name.... An off-white flower from dark buds all summer long. Easy.
Salvia 'Love & Wishes'.	Wine purple flowers with striking dark calyces and stems. Tender but well worth the effort of protecting from frosts or taking a few easy cuttings. 70cm
Salvia 'Nachtvlinder'.	The name is Dutch meaning Night Moth. Very appropriate really given it is perhaps the darkest flower colour you'll find in this group - a dark night purple.
Salvia 'Penny's Smile'.	Lovely large rich pink flowers held in quantity on a tall bushy plant up to 1.2m. One of the hardiest, best pruned hard in Spring.
Salvia 'Phyllis Fancy'.	A hybrid with blue whiskered white flowers from purple-ish calyces. Dramatic plant best used as a gap filler to extend the interest in a border. Protect in winter. 1m
Salvia atrocyanea.	Bolivia/Argentina. A dramatic autumn Sage whose large blue-violet flowers are clasped in persistent purple stained bracts. Deciduous but tuberous and hence hardy. 1m+

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Salvia confertiflora.	Very tender exotic with large spear-like leaves and from late summer, long arching spires of small red hairy flowers. For your border climax.
Salvia greggii 'Strawberries & Cream'.	Lovely bicoloured form very worth growing that doesn't need explaining. But I wish they wouldn't name plants after food...!
Salvia involucrata 'Hadspen'.	Glorious upright sage to 1.5m with bright pink flowers. A surprisingly hardy form, surviving harsh winters here. Sun but shelter from strong winds.
Salvia lycoides.	Very similar to the scented leaf Salvia microphyllas. Very refined look with small leaves and clouds of small ultramarine blue flowers.
Salvia microphylla 'Bordeaux'.	Rich wine red with a dark calyx. Classy colour.
Salvia microphylla 'Cerro Potosi'.	Rich pinkish red flowers and scented foliage. Strong and very hardy. Named for the 'potash mountain' on which it was found. We recommend a hard prune in Spring, then 80cm regrowth?
Salvia nemerosa 'Amethyst'.	Bushy and broad, this front of border selection with pinky-amethyst flowers from darker stems creates an open airy effect.
Salvia nemerosa 'Caradonna'.	Dark indigo stems topped with spires of violet blue flowers from darker calyces. A modern classic.
Salvia nemerosa 'Caradonna Pink'.	New form: Pink lipped flowers emerge along brooding indigo stems over a long summer season. Use it to make a striking contrast of form or colour at the border front. 50cm
Salvia nemerosa 'ex Marina Christopher'.	Rich indigo blue flowers with a distinctly tall habit at often 1m. Impressive and reliable.
Salvia nemerosa 'Lubecca'.	Vivid, almost ultra-violet blue form of the easy hardy Sage. Best in full sun with good winter drainage. 50cm
Salvia nemerosa 'Marcus'.	Charming rich violet-blue with intense flowering habit. A new short variety suited to border front, pot work and raised bed. For sun and drainage. 30cm
Salvia nemerosa 'Pink Beauty'.	Beautiful pale pink flowers contrast well with the darker purple stems and calyces. Hardy. Best in full sun with good winter drainage. 50cm
Salvia sagittata 'Blue Butterfly'.	An new strong Arrow Leaf sage hybrid with tall spires of striking large bright cobalt blue flowers. Reliably send up new shoots in a good position. 90cm
Salvia verticillata 'Purple Rain'.	The large leaved border front salvia with vertical spires constructed from whorls of rich purple flowers on dark stems. Piet Oudolf selection. 50cm.
Sanguinaria canadensis f.multiplex 'Plena'.	syn.Bloodroot. Pretty double white flowers emerge in spring as the blue-ish leaves unfurl. Flowers April to May. Your best soil in shade.
Sanguisorba 'Blackthorn'.	Furry, rich pink upright fingers top a narrow and upright plant to about 150cm tall. Distinct and worthwhile contrast in the border.
Sanguisorba 'Burr Blanc'.	A Marchants hybrid with white flowers from green buds that last for much of the summer 120cm. An excellent performer.
Sanguisorba 'Cangshan Cranberry'.	Masses of rich magenta thimble flowers float on fine wirey stems in late summer and autumn. A modern transparent classic to pair with grasses and prairie perennials. 180cm
Sanguisorba 'CDC262'.	Thimble sized dark maroon burrs sparsely arranged on a rigging of wiry stems. Worthy of a design award though what a shame it has missed out on a good name. 1.20cm.
Sanguisorba 'Ivory Towers'.	Green buds then long clean white burr flowers in July held well above fresh foliage. A self supporting tower at 1.7m
Sanguisorba 'Little Angel'.	A neat and compact hybrid for container or front of border. Whilst variegation is not often our first choice, this is a very pretty, floriferous little charmer. 20cm
Sanguisorba 'Red Busby'.	A newish Marchants' hybrid with deep red burrs at height. Good cut leaf foliage and upright stems. A dramatic sight. 1.8m.
Sanguisorba hakusanensis 'Lilac Squirrel'.	Very attractive emerging glaucous corrugated foliage gives excellent spring interest. The long arching stems carrying large tactile, strong pink catkins in mid-summer may need some support. Tricky to propagate & rarely offered. 1.3m
Sanguisorba tenuifolia 'Strawberry Frost'.	Graceful white flushed pink catkins and especially delicate foliage combine well. Early July flowering. 1m.
Saruma henryi.	Interesting woodland shade perennial emerging in spring with felted grey foliage and doming with small, attractive yellow flowers in summer. 60cm

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Scabiosa columbaria.	Pale blue pincushion flowers for a sunny well drained spot. Upright plant to 60cm. Can be short lived but will seed about a sunny border or gravel garden.
Selinum wallichianum.	I rate this plant as one of my best perennials: Creamy white domed umbel flowers appear in mid summer to crown purple stems and lacy foliage. A strong and reliable form that flowers well. According to EA Bowles 'the queen' of umbels. 120cm
Sidalcea candida.	The White Prairie Mallow has the purest white cupped flowers over a long season. A classic & easy clump forming cottage garden favourite, also known the Modest Mallow. 70cm
Sphaeralcea incana 'Sourup'.	Best pruned hard in Spring to promote fresh silvery foliage and upright spires of subtle orange mallow flowers produced in long succession. Tasteful and yet eye-catching. 1.25m+
Strobilanthes rankanensis.	Much branched heads with purple trumpet flowers in late summer. Large open plants suited to a part shaded, sheltered spot. Unusual yet easy. 1m.
Thalictrum 'Black Stockings'.	Slightly sleazy name for a stunning plant. Rich pink fluffy flowers on strong dark stems. The columbine-like foliage is a wonderful glaucous grey too.
Thalictrum 'Splendide'.	Excellent hybrid with larger cups of deep lilac flowers creating a more substantial cloud effect than most. Dark stems to 1.5m tall.
Thalictrum 'Splendide White'.	Long blooming sprays of small pure white cupped flowers on clean green much divided leaves. The best white. Sheltered spot. 1.5m
Thalictrum delavayi.	Wire like stems and fine foliage give the impression that the delicate cupped pale rose flowers appear suspended in air. For good soil and shelter from strong winds.
Thalictrum delavayi 'Album'.	Apple green foliage and pure white flowers.
Thalictrum delavayi 'Hinckley'.	A good collection with distinctly larger than average pale lilac cupped flowers. 1.5m
Thalictrum tuberosum.	A pretty, short white flowered form of the 'Meadow Rue' that is unusually best suited to a sunny well drained position. 40cm
Uvularia grandiflora 'Pallida'.	Large, pale yellow flowered form of the interesting woodland perennial 'Merrybells'. Easy given an open leafy soil in good shade. 75cm
Verbascum 'Cotswold Beauty'.	Airy spires of light apricot-buff flowers with purple stamens. Best in full sun and good winter drainage. 1.2m
Verbascum 'Cotswold Queen'.	Upright butter yellow spires with purple eye. 120cm
Verbascum 'Pink Domino'.	Tall spires densely covered in soft pink flowers with dark eyes. Sun and drainage. Good perennial habit. 1.2m
Verbena macdougallii 'Lavender Spires'.	A graceful looking upright but much branched hybrid. Usual long succession of flowers in summer, with good perennial longevity. Sun and drainage. 120cm
Verbena officinalis 'grandiflora 'Bampton'.	Richly purple toned foliage and stems and fine wands of purple flowers. Excellent in a sunny and well drained spot. 50cm
Vernonia lettermanii.	The fine foliage of 'narrowleaf ironweed' provides early season interest. The small, but vibrant purple cornflower like inflorescence is worth waiting for. Easy low growing prairie plant. 60cm
Veronicastrum sibiricum 'Kobaltkaars'. AGM.	syn. 'Cobalt Candle'. Dense growing with none of the pinky tones of most of the others. Sturdy electric-blue coloured spikes 1.25m
Veronicastrum virginicum 'Adoration'.	Piet Oudolf's selection with large terminal racemes of vivid lilac-pink flowers. A class act. 1.5m.
Veronicastrum virginicum 'Apollo'.	Lovely form with particularly long pointed flower spikes of lilac blue. 1.5m
Veronicastrum virginicum 'Erica'.	Best short form with soft pink flowers from rich red buds on branched spires in summer. Complementary purple toned stems and foliage. Essential selection. 90cm
Veronicastrum virginicum 'Fascination'.	Whorls of leaves clasp dark stems, topped in summer with spires, often fasciated, of tiny lavender-mauve flowers. If vertical accent is required, here's your plant. 1.8 m+.
Veronicastrum virginicum 'Pink Glow'.	Lovely form with pale pink branching flower spires. A sturdy tall selection of 'roseum' widely grown for good reason. 100-120cm

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Veronicastrum virginicum 'Spring Dew'.	Tall white selection with a slightly greyer leaf, or at least a tendency to show up any 'spring dew'! 1m or so.
Anamanthele lessoniana.	The 'Pheasant Grass' named for its bronzy tones has strong presence in my garden. It gently seeds around and thrives in the nooks where I allow it remain. Quick to establish and year round interest. 75cm
Briza media 'Limouzi'.	Well behaved form of the 'Quaking Grass' that forms tight clumps and does not seed about invasively! Benefits from regular division in autumn to refresh the evergreen basal foliage. Best in sun. Ideal for the front of the border. Easy. 40-50cm
Calamagrostis 'Overdam'.	The subtly variegated form of the upright grass ideal for 'punctuating' a border. Easy and a long season of interest. 180cm.
Calamagrostis brachytricha 'Mona'.	Large shimmering purple pink flower heads. Excellent eye-catching form of the Korean Feather Grass for the border corner? A species that need good drainage in winter. 120cm
Carex muskingumensis 'Oehme'.	A striking form with a swish golden band to the edge of the leaf. An easy foil in sun or part shade. 45cm.
Chasmanthium latifolium.	Wood Oats makes a good cut flower, but its flat spikelet flowers look at their best sparkling with raindrops in a dappled shaded border. 60cm or so.
Eragrostis elliotii 'Wind Dancer'.	The 'Blue Love Grass' named for its fine glaucous foliage. An open wispy plant that provides a soft addition to a well drained sunny border and in summer is topped by an airy mist of white flowers. 80cm
Hakonechloa macra 'albobstriata'.	A tasteful creamy-white variegation adds a lighter touch to a shady corner.
Hakonechloa macra 'Beni-kaze'.	Once densely established, this plain green form has stunning reddish autumn tones.
Hakonechloa macra 'Naomi'.	Striking yellow variegation followed by rich reddish autumn tones.
Helictotrichon sempervirens.	Icy blue 'evergreen' foliage and long, arching buff-coloured flower stems. Easy given sun and drainage. 60cm
Luzula nivea.	Snowy Woodrush. Clustered white (apparently scented) flowers on tall stems over fine green basal leaves with a protective hair like coat. 50cm
Luzula sylvatica 'Marginata'. AGM.	Fine white leaf margined wood rush topped by airy sprays of dark flowers in late Spring. My go-to dry shade plant. 40cm
Melica uniflora 'f.albida'.	The white Wood Melick is covered in airy display of tiny pearl like flowers in late spring. Spreads easily but not problematically in even deep shade, even under a shrub. 30cm.
Melica uniflora 'Variegata'.	Tastefully variegated form of the Wood Melick to brighten up a shady corner. I have a pot in shade just for this dainty grass. 15cm
Millium effusum 'Aureum'.	Dainty bright lime green grass for weaving through a partly shaded border. Easy gentle self seeder. AGM. 20cm
Miscanthus sinensis 'Beth Chatto'.	A modern classic: very fine arching foliage, narrow dark stems topped by elegant coffee flowers at about 150cm. Quality form selected by Ernst Pagels and named for Beth.
Miscanthus sinensis 'China'.	Dark rich red stems on a strong, upright and reliable plant. 1.2m
Miscanthus sinensis 'Dronning Ingrid'.	Strong form with bronzed stems and dark reddish flower plumes late summer. Good red foliage tones in autumn. 150cm
Miscanthus sinensis 'Ferner Osten'.	An early display of dark purple flowers held well above narrow leaves, continues thereafter over a long season. A great favourite here. 1.5m.to any border. 2m
Miscanthus sinensis 'Malepartus'.	Dark stems hold aloft richest red flowers. The foliage has plum and amber tints in late autumn. Old variety that can look a little untidy, but still wows us. 180cm.
Miscanthus sinensis 'Morning Light'.	The fine variegation and the graceful poise, creates a very pale and ghostly effect from a distance. Best with some direct sun and good soil. 120-150cm.
Miscanthus sinensis 'Professor Richard Hansen'.	Another Ernst Pagels selection, with upright foliage and sentinel, silvery flower plumes held on lithe stems well above the leaves. 2.75m.
Miscanthus sinensis 'Rosi'.	Tall form with wide grey green foliage and reddish blush to stems. Rich 'rosy' flowers held clear above the foliage. 2m

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Miscanthus sinensis 'Yakushima Dwarf'.	Extremely productive, casting up masses of golden plumes. Its narrow foliage, compact habit and beautiful shape, lends it to punctuation planting. Classy. 120cm eventually.
Molinia caerulea subsp.arundinacea 'Karl Foerster'.	Unusual, upright vase shaped form that has poise and posture. Excellent on a corner or as punctuation in a long border. 180cm
Molinia caerulea subsp.arundinacea 'Transparent'.	Classic garden grass. Open airy habit of the arching stems like a 1970s fibre optic lamp. Position in front of your favourite summer perennials. 150cm
Molinia caerulea subsp.caerulea 'Dark Defender'.	Marina Christopher's recent selection has proved itself a real star, the dark bronze heads unusually persisting well into winter. 90cm.
Molinia caerulea subsp.caerulea 'Moorhexe'.	Upright and narrow form that unlike many seems to hold its straw coloured stems well through winter. A useful middle height of about 1m.
Panicum virgatum 'rubrum'.	An old variety, flowering well with airy flower / seed panicles and excellent autumn leaf colour. 1m.
Panicum virgatum 'Shenandoah'.	Particularly dark red flowers in this form and characteristic red staining to the foliage also. 1m
Pennisetum 'Fairy Tails'.	Bolt upright, the fine fingers of flower from mid summer are ideal for punctuation or for the mid border. 75cm.
Pennisetum alopecuroides.	Seedlings from our darkest form of the autumn flowering 'Fountain Grass'. Good deep soil in sun. 90cm
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Black Beauty'.	Large dark, bushy-like flowers arch out and collect the dew and frost in autumn. Stunning. 80cm
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln'.	A shorter, denser form of this great plant. Its petite flowers in perfect proportion to the fine foliage. 50/60cm.
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Little Bunny'.	A compact dwarf form sending out a fountain of creamy bunny tails in late summer. Easy in a good deep soil. 50cm
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Reborn'.	Slightly melodramatic name for a good red flowered form of the late summer flowering grass. Flowers best in a sunny position & any but the thinnest of soils. 1m
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Red Head'. AGM.	Particularly dark red flowers emerge in late summer and provide stunning winter structure. 1m
Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Woodside'.	A UK form selected for its reliable flowering. Richly flowered 'Fountain Grass' with a moderately compact habit. 60cm
Pennisetum macrourum.	Wonderful but rarely seen form with long 'pipe cleaner' flowers over most of the summer. Best with some good sun and avoid waterlogging. Upright to 150cm or more.
Pennisetum orientale.	Beth Chatto's description '-pink and mauve caterpillars on wiry stems' takes some beating. A beautiful grass when grown well and holds its own against the newer introductions. Loves sun and drainage. 45cm.
Pennisetum orientale 'Rubrum'. AGM.	An excellent rich red flowered 'orientale' form. Stays upright and strongly perennial for us. 80cm
Pennisetum orientale 'Shogun'.	One of the larger forms of P. orientale with good glaucous foliage and large pinkish flowers. Striking when back lit. 1m.
Pennisetum orientale 'Tall Tails'.	Much more vigorous than the species at 1.5m with long arching creamy-buff fingers of flower. A classic hybrid.
Pennisetum thunbergii 'Red Buttons'.	A fountain grass with conspicuous, big bug sized copper-red flowers through summer. Explosive effect on a corner perhaps? 90cm.
Pennisetum villosum.	Giant white furry caterpillars on arching stems. Excellent in a pot, raised bed or on a bank. One of the most beautiful grasses you can grow. 60cm.
Spodiopogon sibiricus.	Compact grass (1m) with bamboo-like broad side foliage and upright soft panicles of flower. I rate it for its almost exotic, foliage effect & good purple autumn tones. Unusual. Strictly clump forming unlike similar grasses / bamboos.
Stipa gigantea 'Gold Fontaene'.	Spectacular old selection by Ernst Pagels. Larger flower spikes, more of them, at greater height. Does not seed about for me. 2m

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<i>Stipa tenuissima</i> 'Wind Whispers'.	A selection with a taller more graceful & refined habit. Only long lived if given sun, drainage and room to breathe. 60cm
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> 'Minutissimum'.	At 20cm this is an easy small fern, its feathery, broad lance shaped fronds forming a particularly neat apple green, tactile clump. Deciduous.
<i>Athyrium nipponicum</i>.	A plain green sporling that occurred on the nursery with a hint of purple in the midrib. Simple and understated.
<i>Athyrium nipponicum</i> 'Apple Court'.	A crested form of the Japanese painted fern, similar silver-grey tones and purple midrib to 'Pictum' but with the added interest of the decorative tips. 30cm
<i>Athyrium nipponicum</i> 'var. pictum' 'Ghost'.	One of the best silvery-white foliaged forms of the Japanese painted ferns. Its distinctly upright, vase shaped form gives it great presence. For sheltered, shady rich soils. 70cm
<i>Athyrium nipponicum</i> 'var. pictum' 'Ursula's Red'.	With particularly deep red tones around the mid-rib in early summer, this form is distinct.
<i>Dryopteris affinis</i> 'Polydactyla Dadds'.	A distinctive vigorous, erect, semi-evergreen fern forming a rosette of narrow, arching, dark green fronds with multi-forked pinnae. Not Dad's, mine.
<i>Dryopteris erythrosora</i> 'Prolifica'.	Striking compact evergreen fern with triangular fronds that emerge in spring with an eyecatching coppery-red colour before slowly ripening to a rich green. Prefers a humusy soil in shade, or moist sun. 50cm
<i>Dryopteris wallichianum</i>.	Upright wintergreen shuttlecock fern with black ribs, especially visible when the croziers first emerge. Once established this is one of the most stately ferns you can grow.
<i>Polypodium</i> 'Whitley Giant'.	Once established this form of the winter-green many-footed fern is quite substantial in all its parts. The broad fronts can reach 60cm or more. Slow creeping habit. Even dry shade.
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i> 'Carew Lane'.	Strong growing ground cover fern with overlapping pinnae. Suits even dry shade.
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i> 'Omnilacerum Oxford'.	One our tallest and strongest Polypodiums. Long, tapering mid-green fronds form a full clump on a creeping rhizome. Excellent for dry shade. 60cm. Wintergreen.
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i> 'Richard Kayse'.	Discovered in 1668, surely the oldest plant in our list. The pinnae are distinctly pointed in this sterile form which is claimed to be one of the most beautiful. 30cm.
<i>Polypodium cambricum</i> 'Whilharris'.	Quite long fronds with very complex overlapping pinnae, giving a dense, ruffled but clean appearance. 40cm
<i>Polypodium glycyrrhiza</i>.	syn. Many footed sweet root. Of North US origin, this form as long slender lobes with smooth margins.
<i>Polypodium glycyrrhiza</i> 'longicaudatum'.	Graceful long terminal pinnae form of the 'many footed sweet root'.
<i>Polypodium glycyrrhiza</i> 'Malahatense'.	syn. Many footed sweet root. Of North US origin, this form has elegant pointed bipinnatifid evergreen fronds. "Polypodies" are excellent groundcover ferns that spread via creeping rhizomes and will tolerate some drought and sun. 30cm
<i>Polypodium Mantoniae</i> bifido- grandiceps.	Long narrow fronds with bifidate pinnae. Grandiceps, meaning 'big head' as the frond terminates in a wide crest. Wintergreen.
<i>Polypodium vulgare</i> 'Elegantissimum'.	Choice, very finely dissected foliage. Its wintergreen foliage a true asset here in the garden. Drought tolerant.
<i>Polystichum setiferum</i> 'Herrenhausen'.	Very lacy, broad, arching almost horizontal foliage. Stunning edging a woodland path.
<i>Polystichum setiferum</i> 'Plumosum densum'.	The 'Mossy' soft shield fern has densely overlapping pinnae, creating an intricate cushion effect. 40cm
<i>Pteris cretica</i> 'Albolineata'.	White(ish) striped cretan brake is certainly a break from our native ferns. Tender and best used for pot work in shade.