

All items in this catalogue are subject to availability.

We grow many other varieties in smaller numbers which are not listed in the catalogue; please contact us for details.

If a plant you are looking for is not available, we may be able to suggest a suitable alternative.

KEY TO PLANT SIZES:

Small: under 3 feet

Medium: 3 to 6 feet

Large: over 6 feet

Climbers

Small: slow-growing, reaching up to 6 feet

Medium: moderately fast-growing, up to 12 feet, for trellis or front of house

Large: vigorous, 12 feet and above

This list covers plants we grow ourselves. We also stock trees, bedding, heathers, small perennials and alpines, herbs and other interesting bits and pieces.

Cherry Tree Nursery

Plant Catalogue 2011/12

The following pages contain our 2011/12 catalogue of hardy nursery stock: shrubs, climbers, conifers, grasses, bamboos, ferns and perennials.

We are pleased to say that we are continuing to improve our plant quality and to introduce new varieties.

Our main phone line is (01202) 593537 and our Fax line is (01202) 590626.

Please contact Lisa-Marie Barrett or Stephen Jailler for availability or orders.

The Sheltered Work Opportunities Project is a registered charity set up to address the great need for meaningful occupation, in a supportive and pressure-free environment, for adults with severe and enduring mental illness. SWOP aims to use the therapeutic nature of horticulture to restore mental well-being.

Research shows that, in any one year, over 25% of the population experience a mental health problem. Many people with a long-term mental illness want and need to fill their time usefully and productively, but feel unable to cope with the stresses and pressures of open employment. Sheltered work in a realistic but pressure-free environment is often a good way to promote recovery by boosting self-esteem and confidence, providing companionship and mutual support, helping to dispel boredom and loneliness, and restoring dignity.

SWOP's first project, Cherry Tree Nursery, has grown from 4 volunteers on 2 acres in 1990, to 150 volunteers on 4.5 acres today. The nursery produces over 100,000 finished shrubs, 100,000 liners, 125,000 cuttings and 1,000 specimen-sized shrubs annually.

The Nursery aims to provide a supportive family atmosphere and to address the individual needs of each volunteer. There is no time limit to anyone's stay, and the nursery offers continuing support to those volunteers who have chosen to move on.

Volunteers work in all aspects of the nursery. This can vary from taking cuttings, laying slabs and digging trenches, to operating the till, issuing invoices, delivering plants and making the tea. Cherry Tree offers a very wide range of support including literacy and numeracy classes, introduction to computers, horticultural classes, a specialist Disability Rights Advice Service, and access to a Community Psychiatric Nurse. Volunteers are offered a wide range of social activities, outings, visits, holidays and events which can enable them to become more independent and broaden their outlook. They are encouraged to care for each other and to feel important, valued, needed, loved and respected, and to learn to laugh again.

SWOP was awarded *'The Queen's Golden Jubilee Award'* in 2003 for voluntary service by groups in the community, and *'The Lilly Reintegration Award Recognising Outstanding Achievement in Mental Health'* in 2004 for moving volunteers' lives forward. In June 2006 we were Highly Commended for the prestigious *Beacon Prize* for our 'philanthropic achievements' and in 2008, given the Rotary Club Community Service Award.

Due to the high costs of running such a specialist concern, the nursery will always rely heavily on fund-raising for donations in order to continue helping restore dignity to an often neglected and excluded section of the community

Abelia x grandiflora

Beautiful medium-sized semi-evergreen shrub. It has small dark green glossy leaves and delightful clusters of small pinkish-white bell-shaped slightly fragrant flowers from July to October. Needs a sheltered position.

Abelia x grandiflora 'Francis Mason' (v)

Beautiful medium-sized semi-evergreen shrub. It has attractive small golden variegated leaves and bears a profusion of fragrant, bell-shaped, white flowers, tinged with pink, from mid-summer to mid-autumn. Needs a sunny sheltered site.

Acacia dealbata (Mimosa)

Fast-growing medium-sized evergreen tree. It has delicate green feathery leaves and fluffy golden fragrant flowers in early spring. Prefers a sheltered site.

Acacia pravissima (Ovens Wattle)

Large evergreen shrub or small tree with short hanging branches crowded with small triangular grey-green leaves. Profuse clusters of fragrant bright yellow round flowerheads are borne in late winter and spring. Ideal for a border or as a specimen plant in a sheltered site. Extremely popular for flower arranging.

Acacia baileyana 'Purpurea' (Cootamunda wattle)

Small evergreen tree or large shrub grown for its delicate fern-like leaves deep purple when young which mature to an attractive blue-green and set off the round bright yellow flowerheads which are born from winter to spring. Prefers a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for a border, or as a specimen plant. Prune after flowering.

Acanthus mollis (Bear's Breeches)

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial with spectacular very large shiny dark green leaves and striking very long spikes of purple and white flowers in summer, often with purple-tinted stems. This is a stunning architectural plant, ideal for a spacious border. Also good for cut or dried flowers.

Acer palmatum (seedling) (Japanese maple)

Graceful deciduous shrub or small tree with stunningly beautiful autumn leaf colour. Good for brightening small gardens.

Acer palmatum f. atropurpureum (Purple Japanese maple)

Deciduous shrub or small tree with stunning reddish-purple foliage which turns brilliant red in autumn. A good tree for brightening small gardens especially in the autumn.

Acorus gramineus 'Ogon' (v) (Variegated Japanese Rush)

Evergreen dwarf perennial grass grown for its fans of delicate bright golden-green foliage. Can tolerate waterlogged ground. Ideal pondside plant.

Actaea simplex 'Pink Spike' (Baneberry)

Small perennial grown for its decorative black foliage (green when young) and spikes of small scented white flowers, borne from July to September, followed by clusters of attractive but highly toxic berries. Ideal for a woodland garden or shady mixed or herbaceous border. Harmful if eaten/skin allergen.

Agapanthus

Medium to large perennial with long narrow green leaves and stunning clusters of blue flowers in late summer. Ideal for a sunny perennial border.

We aim to grow a small selection of varieties.

Agastache rugosa 'Golden Jubilee' (Giant Hyssop)

Unusual medium-sized upright perennial, grown for its highly aromatic mint-like golden-yellow leaves and long-lasting spikes of small hooded flowers from midsummer to late autumn. Ideal for a sunny border in a well-drained site.

Albizia julibrissin f. rosea (Silk Tree)

Large deciduous shrub or small tree, grown for its delicate fern-like, filigree light to mid-green leaves and unusual attractive silky pink flowerheads in summer. Prefers a well-drained sheltered sunny site. Ideal specimen plant.

Alchemilla mollis (Lady's Mantle)

Small clump-forming perennial bearing small greenish-yellow flowers from early to late summer above bluish-green foliage. A popular cottage garden favourite which provides excellent ground cover. Any well-drained soil in sun or light shade.

Allium cristophii

Small bulbous perennial, one of the larger flowering varieties of allium, grown for its star-shaped, purple-pink flowers which are produced in early summer. The flowerheads are excellent for drying. Prefers well-drained soil in full sun.

Allium hollandicum 'Purple Sensation'

Small to medium bulbous perennial, grown for its masses of striking, star-shaped deep violet flowers produced throughout summer. The flowerheads are excellent for drying. Prefers well-drained soil in full sun.

Ampelopsis brevipedunculata var. maximowiczii 'Elegans'

Medium-sized deciduous climber grown for its attractively coloured foliage and berries. The leaves are dark green, heavily mottled with white and pink, and may turn red and yellow in autumn. Small green flowers in summer are followed by attractive spherical pinkish-purple fruits, which turn a wonderful dark turquoise-blue.

Anemone hupehensis var japonica 'Prinz Heinrich' (Windflower)

Lovely small perennial Japanese anemone, with abundant dark pink flowerheads nodding above the foliage in late summer and early autumn. Useful for brightening the garden late in the season. Can tolerate dry shady conditions.

Anemone x hybrida 'Honorine Jobert' (Windflower)

Lovely small perennial Japanese anemone, with abundant single white flowerheads nodding above the foliage in late summer and early autumn. Useful for brightening the garden late in the season. Can tolerate dry shady conditions.

Anemone x hybrida 'September Charm' (Windflower)

A pretty small-to-medium deciduous perennial Japanese anemone, grown for its large single rose-pink flowerheads which nod attractively above the foliage from August to October. A useful plant for brightening the garden late in the season. Can tolerate dry shady conditions.

Anemone x hybrida 'Serenade' (Windflower)

Lovely small perennial Japanese anemone, with abundant semi-double pink flowerheads nodding above the foliage in late summer and early autumn. Useful for brightening the garden late in the season. Can tolerate dry shady conditions.

Anemone x hybrida 'Whirlwind' (Windflower)

Lovely small perennial Japanese anemone, with abundant double white flowerheads nodding above the foliage in late summer and early autumn. Useful for brightening the garden late in the season. Can tolerate dry shady conditions.

Anisodonteia scabrosa

A colourful medium-sized evergreen frost-tender shrub. It produces masses of small rose-magenta flowers over a long period throughout the summer. Prefers full sun. Ideal container plant. Protect from frosts.

Arbutus unedo (Strawberry Tree)

Large spreading shrubby tree with flaky red-brown bark and oval shallowly-toothed glossy mid-green leaves. Small white flowers in pendent panicles open through autumn, while spherical red fruits ripen the following autumn

Armeria Belarina Series Red (Sea Pink)

Small perennial which flowers in its first year. It has cushion-shaped grassy foliage and is grown for its lovely round small metallic red flowerheads on long stems which appear in profusion over a long period. Ideal for a rock garden or trough or the front of a dry border. Prefers a sunny site.

Artemisia 'Powis Castle' (Sagebrush)

Small evergreen spreading shrub, grown for its striking silvery feather-like highly aromatic foliage. Needs a sunny well-drained site. Trim after last frosts to keep tidy. Good seaside plant.

Asplenium scolopendrium Cristatum Group (Crested Harts Tongue Fern)

Attractive small evergreen fern grown for its leathery bright green fronds with unusual crested ends. Easy to grow in any soil or aspect, as long as it does not dry out completely. Often grown on walls, this is a native British fern.

Astelia chathamica 'Silver Spear'

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial, grown for its startling silver sword-shaped leaves. Long-stalked pale yellowish-green flowers are borne in mid to late spring. Prefers moist soil in sun or partial shade.

Astilbe 'Bressingham Beauty'

This popular small medium perennial is grown for its unusual plumes of feathery bright pink flowerheads, which appear above the attractive bronze-flushed green leaves from June to August. Prefers moist rich soil in sun or shade. Divide every 3 to 4 years.

Astilbe x arendsii 'Fanal'

Popular small perennial which has attractive deeply cut leaves, coppery in spring turning green in summer. From June to August it produces eye-catching large feathery crimson-red plumes above the foliage. Prefers moist rich soil in partial shade. Cut back dead stalks in spring.

Astilbe chinensis var. pumila

Attractive dwarf perennial grown for its striking plume-like heads of tiny reddish-pink flowers borne in late summer forming a dainty elegant effect. The flowers contrast with the reddish-green leaves. Ideal for a moist or boggy sunny site. If the soil is dry, plant in a shady site. Protect from late frosts.

Aucuba japonica 'Variegata' (f/v) (Spotted Laurel)

Medium to large evergreen shrub grown for its all-year-round interest: its large glossy yellow-speckled green leaves form a dense rounded dome in the summer, and large oblong vibrant red berries are borne throughout the winter. Tolerant of deep shade. Can be trimmed to form a hedge. May cause mild stomach upset if ingested.

Azalea

We aim to grow a small selection of dwarf evergreen varieties. Please enquire about availability.

Azara microphylla

Small bushy evergreen shrub with attractive silky silvery leaves and pink-tinged buds, which open to white flowers with yellow centres in early summer. Needs sunny well-drained sheltered site. Silver foliage contrasts well in a mixed border.

Ballota pseudodictamnus (Candlewick plant)

Small evergreen mound-forming plant with white woolly stems and fluffy grey-green leaves. It bears whorls of small pink flowers in summer. Needs well-drained sunny sheltered site.

Bamboo: we grow a range of varieties

Berberis darwinii

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with small very dark green glossy spiny foliage and spectacular deep yellow flowers in April to May, followed by blue-black round berries. Can also be grown as a neat trimmed hedge. Grow in any soil.

Berberis darwinii 'Compacta'

Small compact evergreen shrub with small dark green glossy spiny holly-like leaves. It is covered with deep yellow flowers in spring, followed by blue-black berries. This is a very compact form of the popular hedging plant, which looks good all year round in a border or as a low hedge.

Berberis x ottawensis f. purpurea 'Superba'

Medium to large deciduous shrub grown for its rich purple-red foliage. Small bright yellow flowers in late spring are followed by egg-shaped red fruits in autumn. Its boldly coloured foliage contrasts well in a mixed border. Grow in any soil.

Berberis thunbergii f. atropurpurea 'Atropurpurea Nana' (Crimson Pygmy)

Small compact deciduous thorny shrub with reddish-purple foliage and dainty pale yellow flowers in late spring, followed by red fruits. Ideal for rock gardens and dwarf hedges. Grows well in most situations.

Berberis thunbergii f. atropurpurea 'Golden Ring'

Medium-sized deciduous thorny shrub grown for its reddish-purple leaves with an unusual golden ring round the edge. It bears yellow flowers in April and May followed by red fruits. Grows well in most situations.

Berberis thunbergii f. atropurpurea 'Harlequin' (v)

Medium deciduous shrub with small deep rose leaves, speckled white, turning crimson-pink in autumn. Yellow flowers, suffused red, appear in late summer.

Berberis thunbergii f. atropurpurea 'Red Pillar'

Medium-sized deciduous thorny shrub grown for its pillar-like shape and attractive red-purple foliage. Yellow flowers in April are followed by red berries. Grows well in most situations.

Berberis thunbergii 'Golden Rocket'

Medium-sized deciduous narrow upright shrub grown for its bright golden-yellow leaves with red tips to the new growth between April and September. The leaves turn a brilliant orange-red in autumn. Grows well in most situations, trim to shape in early spring. May cause mild stomach upset if ingested, contact with spines may irritate skin.

Bergenia 'Wintermarchen' (syn. 'Winter Fairytale') (Elephant's Ears)

Low-growing compact delightful evergreen perennial grown for its deep green leaves which are bright red-purple underneath and are attractively red tinged in winter, and its heads of dark rose-red flowers borne from early to midspring. Ideal for a woodland garden or border. It makes excellent ground cover.

Beschornieria septentrionalis 'Quicksilver'

Stunning unusual medium-sized perennial succulent with a low evergreen rosette, which produces astonishing electric pink stems, bearing electric pink and green tubular flowers from April to July. It flowers very quickly after planting. Needs a dry sunny site. Protect from frosts. Ideal specimen plant.

Brachyglottis (Senecio) (Dunedin Group) 'Sunshine'

Medium-sized evergreen bushy shrub bearing soft silvery-grey leaves with clusters of yellow daisy-like flowers from summer to autumn. Its silvery foliage contrasts well in a mixed border. Ideal for seaside areas. Drought tolerant.

Buddleia alternifolia

Large deciduous shrub or small tree with long dark green leaves, grown for its dense rounded clusters of intensely fragrant lilac flowers which wreath the branches in early summer. An excellent specimen plant.

Buddleia 'Lochinch' (Butterfly Bush)

Large semi-evergreen shrub with grey-green leaves. It is grown for its long plumes of fragrant lavender-coloured flowers which are highly attractive to bees and butterflies and appear from July to October. Can be pruned hard in spring.

Buddleia 'Pink Delight' (Butterfly Bush)

Large deciduous shrub grown for its long bright pink flowers, which are highly attractive to butterflies and bees and appear from July to October. Can be pruned hard in spring.

Buddleia davidii 'Black Knight' (Butterfly Bush)

Large deciduous shrub grown for its long highly fragrant very dark violet flowers, which are highly attractive to butterflies and bees and appear from July to October. Can be pruned hard in spring.

Buddleia davidii 'Peace' (Butterfly Bush)

Large deciduous shrub grown for its large long fragrant white heads of flowers with an unusual orange eye. These are highly attractive to butterflies and bees and appear from July to October. Grows in most situations and can be pruned hard in spring.

Buddleia davidii 'Royal Red' (Butterfly Bush)

Large deciduous shrub grown for its long fragrant red-purple heads of flowers which are highly attractive to butterflies and bees and appear from July to October. Grows in most situations and can be pruned hard in spring.

Buddleia x weyeriana 'Sungold'

Large deciduous shrub with long grey-green leaves, grown for its long heads of dark orange-yellow fragrant flowers throughout summer and autumn. Highly attractive to butterflies and bees. Will grow in most situations. Prune hard in spring.

Buxus sempervirens 'Elegantissima' (v)

Medium-sized slow-growing evergreen shrub grown for its dense narrow white-margined small dark green leaves. Ideal for hedging or topiary, can be clipped to shape. Contact with sap may irritate skin.

Buxus sempervirens (Common Box)

A slow-growing evergreen shrub with a dense mass of small dark green leaves. Ideal for hedging or topiary – often used for knot gardens. Can be trimmed to size.

Callistemon rigidus (Stiff Bottlebrush)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with graceful arching branches clad with narrow pointed green leaves. It produces exotic deep red bottlebrush-like flowers throughout the summer. Prefers a sheltered, well-drained sunny site.

Callicarpa bodinieri var. 'Profusion'

Large deciduous shrub grown for its small pale pink flowers in summer, which are followed by masses of dark violet fruit in autumn, and contrast with the dark green leaves which are bronze when young.

Camellia japonica 'Lady Vansittart'

A showy medium to large evergreen shrub with glossy dark green leaves and beautiful semi-double white flowers with unusual rose-pink stripes in late winter and early spring. Prefers acid or neutral soil. Early morning sunshine can damage flowers.

Camellia x williamsii 'Donation'

A medium to large evergreen shrub with glossy dark green leaves and beautiful large semi-double orchid pink flowers in late winter and early spring. A reliable flowering variety. Prefers acid or neutral soil. Early morning sunshine can damage flowers.

Campanula lactiflora 'Loddon Anna' (Milky Bellflower)

Medium-sized upright perennial grown for its profuse clusters of delightful bell-shaped soft lilac-pink flowers borne from early summer until autumn. May need staking in exposed sites. Ideal for a mixed or herbaceous border or for a wildflower or woodland garden. Cut back in spring.

Campanula punctata 'Hot Lips'

Small clump-forming perennial grown for its delightful long soft pink bells spotted with purple-red borne throughout the summer. Cut back after flowering to encourage a second flush of flowers. Ideal for a border for that cottage garden effect. The delicate flower colours are preserved best in partial shade.

Campanula takesimana 'Elizabeth'

Attractive small perennial grown for its unusual and striking pendant bell-shaped reddish-purple flowers, which are spotted red inside and are borne profusely from May to August. Cut back after flowering to encourage a second flush of flowers. Ideal for a border for that cottage garden effect. The delicate flower colours are preserved best in partial shade.

Canna 'Durban' (3 litre)

Striking medium-sized perennial, grown for its stunning, large tropical purple and maroon leaves with red and yellow stripes, and massive exotic and eye-catching shocking-orange flowers, borne from July to October. Leaves die down to ground level in winter. Rhizomes should be lifted in winter in harsh weather areas. Prefers sheltered sunny site.

Carex brunnea 'Jenneke'

Small evergreen perennial sedge, grown for its narrow variegated green and yellow leaves and attractive habit. Ideal for the front of a border or rock garden.

Carex brunnea 'Variegata' (v)

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial sedge. It has very attractive pale cream and green striped long narrow leaves.

Carex buchananii (New Zealand everbrown sedge)

Small evergreen perennial grass with striking upright bronze foliage with curled tips like pigs' tails. A fine architectural plant. Can be used in flower arrangements.

Carex comans 'Frosted Curls' (New Zealand hair Sedge)

Evergreen perennial grass, grown for its cascading fountains of narrow hair-like whitish-green leaves with curling tips.

Carex phyllocephala 'Sparkler' (v)

Medium-sized evergreen perennial, grown for its stunningly variegated tapered spiky leaves with bold creamy-white margins. An excellent container plant. Prefers a shady site.

Carex siderosticha 'Silver Sceptre' (v)

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial sedge grown for its attractive narrow dark green leaves with wide creamy-white borders and pale wispy flowers. Forms an attractive low mound. Looks lovely in a gravel bed or the front of a border in sun or partial shade.

Carex siderosticha 'Variegata'

Small clump-forming perennial sedge, with thinly textured leaves which are flushed with pink when they first emerge in the spring, but which then turn pale green and are striped with an attractive gold colour that lasts the whole season. Prefers fertile moist soil in sun or partial shade.

Carex testacea

Small evergreen perennial grass with narrow arching pale olive-green leaves, which are an attractive orange-brown in full sun. It bears pale brown flower spikes in mid-summer.

Caryopteris x clandonensis 'Heavenly Blue'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with masses of lovely blue flowers in autumn, complemented by greyish-green aromatic leaves. Highly attractive to butterflies, moths and bees.

Caryopteris incana 'Delft Blue'

Medium-sized deciduous dense mound-forming shrub with attractive aromatic grey-green leaves, grown for its masses of lovely blue flowers in late summer and autumn. Ideal for a mixed or shrub border.

Ceanothus 'Autumnal Blue' (Californian Lilac)

A medium-sized fast-growing evergreen shrub with abundant deep blue flowers in late summer and autumn. Often grown as a wall shrub. One of the hardiest Ceanothus.

Ceanothus 'Concha' (Californian Lilac)

A medium to large evergreen shrub with small glossy green leaves and masses of lovely red buds, opening into deep blue flowers in early summer. Prefers a sunny site.

Ceanothus 'Dark Star' (Californian Lilac)

A medium-sized evergreen shrub with small deeply-veined dark green leaves and dark purplish-blue honey-scented flowers in early summer. It is popular because it is one of the deepest blue Ceanothus. Often grown as a wall shrub. Prefers a sunny site.

Ceanothus 'Persshore Zanzibar' (v)

An unusual medium-sized evergreen shrub with bright yellow leaves, splashed with green, and mid-blue flowers in spring. Prefers a sunny site.

Ceanothus thyrsiflorus 'Skylark'

Medium-sized bushy evergreen shrub with glossy mid-green leaves, grown for its masses of dark blue flowers borne in late spring and early summer. Ideal for a sunny shrub border or against a wall. Prune and mulch after flowering.

Ceanothus thyrsiflorus var. repens (Creeping blue blossom)

Low-growing evergreen shrub with a spreading habit, which forms a mound of dark green foliage entirely covered with mid blue flowers in spring. Prefers a sunny site.

Cephalaria gigantea (Giant scabious)

Large clump-forming perennial grown for its attractive primrose-yellow flowerheads in early and mid-summer. Ideal for the back of a herbaceous border or for a wildflower garden in sun or partial shade.

Ceratostigma griffithii (Hardy Plumbago)

Small semi-evergreen shrub with purple-edged mid-green leaves which turn red in autumn, grown for its bright clusters of vivid blue flowers in late summer. Prefers a sheltered site.

Chaenomeles x superba 'Cameo' (Flowering Quince)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its dense clusters of beautiful long-lasting double peach-pink flowers which appear in late winter before the leaves. Often grown as a wall shrub to brighten the winter garden.

Chaenomeles x superba 'Crimson and Gold' (Flowering Quince)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its dense clusters of beautiful deep red flowers with conspicuous golden-yellow anthers. These are borne over a long period in late winter and appear before the leaves. They are followed by round yellow fruits. Often grown as a wall shrub to brighten the winter garden.

Chaenomeles x superba 'Pink Lady' (Flowering Quince)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub, grown for its dense clusters of beautiful long-lasting shell-pink flowers with conspicuous golden-yellow anthers. These are borne over a long period in late winter and appear before the leaves. They are followed by round yellow fruits. Often grown as a wall shrub to brighten the winter garden.

Chamaecyparis lawsoniana 'Ellwood's Gold'

Neat, small slow-growing columnar conifer with soft yellow-green foliage, gold-tipped in sun.

Chelone obliqua (Turtlehead)

Small perennial bearing upright stems. Its common name, Turtlehead, comes from the unusual shape of the heads of pink flowers which are borne from August to October. Prefers fertile acid soil. Tolerates damp conditions. Do not remove the dead flowerheads.

Choisya ternata (Mexican Orange Blossom)

Medium-sized evergreen rounded shrub, with aromatic glossy green leaves and white sweetly scented blooms in late spring and often again in early autumn. Ideal for screening or for a mixed border.

Choisya ternata Sundance

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its bright yellow aromatic foliage. Likes a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for a mixed border.

Cistus x argenteus 'Silver Pink' (Rock Rose)

Small evergreen shrub with silvery-grey leaves and abundant clear pink flowers with golden stamens in early summer. Needs a well-drained sunny site. Drought tolerant. Ideal for a mixed border.

Cistus x corbariensis (Rock Rose)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with wavy-edged aromatic dark green leaves and crimson-tinged buds, opening into pure white flowers with yellow centres in early summer. Tolerates dry conditions. Likes a sunny site. Ideal for a mixed border.

Cistus x dansereau 'Decumbens' (Rock Rose)

Attractive low spreading evergreen shrub with lance-shaped dark green leaves and a profusion of yellow-centred saucer-shaped white flowers with crimson blotches set against dark green leaves, from early to mid-summer. Tolerates dry conditions. Likes a sunny site. Ideal for a mixed border.

Cistus x purpureus (Rock Rose)

Bushy rounded medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its attractive large rosy-crimson flowers with chocolate basal blotches, which are set against dark green aromatic leaves. Drought tolerant. Likes a sunny site. Ideal for a mixed border.

Clematis

See key to sizes inside front cover. A selection of varieties is available which change regularly. These include:-

Clematis 'Bees' Jubilee'

Medium-sized deciduous climber, bearing large mauve-pink flowers with carmine bars in May and June, and often again in August or September. Prune lightly in early spring and tidy again after first flowering to encourage a second crop of flowers.

Clematis 'Carnaby'

Medium-sized deciduous climber, grown for its profusion of large deep glowing

pink flowers in May and June. Prefers partial shade. It can be grown in a container. Prune lightly in early spring and tidy again after first flowering to encourage a second crop of flowers.

Clematis 'Ernest Markham'

Medium-sized deciduous climber grown for its beautiful vivid glowing deep red flowers borne from July to October. Ideal for pergolas, trellises, sheds and walls. Needs hard pruning in February.

Clematis 'Etoile Violette'

Medium to large deciduous climber with abundant lovely deep purple flowers from July to September. Can be grown in any aspect and is ideal for pergolas, arches, trellises and growing through trees and shrubs. Prune hard in spring.

Clematis 'Fireworks'

Medium-sized deciduous climber, grown for its unusual attractive large mauve-blue flowers with red bars and centres born in May and June. Prune lightly and tidy after first flowering to encourage a second crop of flowers in August and September. Prefers a sheltered sunny site.

Clematis 'Hagley Hybrid'

Medium-sized deciduous climber with small shell-pink flowers from June to September. To keep a good shape, prune fairly hard in early spring.

Clematis 'Jackmanii Superba'

Medium-sized deciduous climber with large dark violet flowers from July to September. This variety can be grown facing any direction. Ideal for walls, pergolas, pots and trellises. Prune fairly hard in early spring to keep a good shape.

Clematis 'Marjorie'

Large deciduous climber with cascades of semi-double creamy-pink flowers tinged with salmon-pink in April and May. Can be grown facing any direction. It is good for growing through trees and shrubs or on large walls and pergolas. No pruning necessary but can be cut back after flowering if required.

Clematis 'Nelly Moser'

Medium-sized deciduous climber bearing very large mauve flowers with pink bars in May and June and again in August and September. Prune lightly in early spring and tidy again after first flowering to encourage a second crop of flowers.

Clematis 'Rouge Cardinal'

Medium-sized deciduous climber with crimson velvet flowers from June to September. Ideal for pergolas, trellises, sheds, pots and walls. Prune lightly in early spring and tidy again after flowering.

Clematis 'Ville de Lyon'

Medium-sized deciduous climber grown for its large bright carmine-red flowers with yellow anthers borne from July to October. Ideal to grow through an evergreen shrub, as its lower foliage can become scorched by late summer. Prune in early spring to keep shape.

Clematis alpina 'Pamela Jackman'

Medium-sized deciduous climber with small lantern-shaped mid-blue flowers in April and May, followed by fluffy seedheads. This variety can be grown facing any direction and is useful for pots, trees, arches, cut flowers, walls and growing

through shrubs. Does not require pruning but can be cut back to size after flowering if required.

Clematis armandii

Large evergreen climber grown for its unusual lush dark green foliage and profuse clusters of highly-scented creamy-white flowers in March and April. Best grown on a south or west wall. No pruning required, but can be trimmed to shape after flowering if necessary.

Clematis cirrhosa var. purpurascens 'Freckles'

A beautiful evergreen early-flowering climber with green leaves slightly bronze underneath, and cup-shaped creamy-pink flowers heavily speckled red inside in late winter and early spring, followed by attractive seed heads. Prefers a south-facing wall.

Clematis montana var. grandiflora (The Mountain or Great Indian Clematis)

Very large vigorous evergreen deciduous climber with masses of small white flowers in May and June. Ideal for any aspect including north-facing walls. Excellent for covering large areas quickly. No pruning necessary but can be cut back after flowering if required.

Clematis montana var. rubens 'Tetrarose'

Very large vigorous evergreen deciduous climber with masses of small lilac-rose flowers in May and June. Ideal for any aspect including north-facing walls. Excellent for covering large areas quickly. No pruning necessary but can be cut back after flowering if required.

Clematis tangutica

Large vigorous deciduous climber with unusual small nodding yellow lantern-shaped flowers from July to October followed by fluffy seedheads. Can be grown in any aspect and used for growing through shrubs and on pergolas or walls. No pruning necessary but can be cut back after flowering if required.

Herbaceous species are also available, including:

Clematis 'Arabella'

This unusual medium-sized perennial clematis is not a climber but produced upright stems bearing delightful small blue flowers all summer. The stems are best caned to keep tidy. Prune back in spring.

Convolvulus cneorum

Small bushy evergreen shrub with attractive silky silvery leaves and pink-tinged buds which open to white flowers with yellow centres in early summer. Needs sunny well-drained sheltered site. Silver foliage contrasts well in a mixed border.

Cordyline 'Sunrise'

Medium to large slow-growing palm-like evergreen shrub grown for its stunningly vibrant pink and bronze striped long narrow leaves. Adds a shock of colour to your garden. Ideal for a container, mixed or shrub border, or specimen plant in a sunny sheltered site.

***Cordyline australis* (New Zealand Cabbage Palm)**

Large slow-growing palm-like evergreen shrub with long green sword-like leaves and large clusters of small scented white flowers in summer. Adds Mediterranean architectural feel to a garden – ideal for containers in a sheltered sunny site.

***Cordyline australis* Purpurea group**

Large slow-growing palm-like evergreen shrub with beautiful long purple sword-like leaves and clusters of small scented white flowers in summer. Adds Mediterranean architectural feel to a garden – ideal for containers in a sheltered sunny site.

***Cordyline australis* 'Red Star'**

Large slow-growing palm-like evergreen shrub with beautiful long reddish sword-like leaves and clusters of small scented white flowers in summer. Adds Mediterranean architectural flavour to a garden – ideal for containers in a sheltered sunny site.

***Cordyline australis* 'Sparkler'**

Large slow-growing palm-like evergreen shrub grown for its long narrow green leaves with bright creamy variegated edges. Adds Mediterranean architectural flavour to a garden. Ideal for containers. Prefers a well-drained sheltered sunny site.

***Cornus alba* 'Aurea' (Dogwood)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its lovely red stems in winter and bright yellow foliage in summer. Grows in all situations including boggy soil. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

***Cornus alba* 'Elegantissima' (v) (Dogwood)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its lovely red stems in winter and attractive white and green variegated foliage in summer. Grows in all situations including boggy soil. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

***Cornus alba* 'Sibirica' (Dogwood)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its brilliant young crimson shoots in winter and bright green leaves in summer. It bears attractive blue pea-sized berries in autumn. Grows in all situations including boggy soil. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

***Cornus alba* 'Spaethii' (v) (Dogwood)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its lovely red stems in winter and attractive gold and green variegated foliage in summer. Grows in all situations including boggy soil. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

***Cornus sanguinea* 'Midwinter Fire' (Dogwood)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with golden yellow leaves, grown for its lovely winter stem colour – bright yellow at the base with vivid orange-red tips, giving the impression of a winter fire. Grows in all situations. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

Cornus sericea 'Flaviramea' (Dogwood)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with mid-green leaves, grown for its stem colour – olive-green when young turning to a vivid gold in winter. Grows in all situations. Can be pruned hard in March to encourage fresh growth.

Corokia x virgata (Wire Netting Bush)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with small greyish-green leaves on highly unusual irregularly-shaped branches. Small yellow starry

Cortaderia selloana 'White Feather' (Pampas Grass)

Large stately evergreen perennial grass with narrow sharp-edged green leaves and long erect silvery plumes in late summer. Good for exposed coastal sites or near water.

Cosmos atrosanguineus (Chocolate Cosmos)

Unique medium perennial, grown for its deliciously chocolate-scented velvet-textured dark chocolate-red flowers which are borne from midsummer to autumn. Ideal for containers or borders. Mulch in autumn.

Cosmos atrosanguineus 'Chocamocha'

Delightful medium-sized perennial grown for its deliciously chocolate-scented velvet-textured dark chocolate-red flowers borne profusely from midsummer to autumn. This is a more compact and free-flowering version of the normal chocolate.

Cotinus coggygria 'Royal Purple' (Smoke Bush)

Large deciduous shrub grown for its showy light-purple foliage and the smoky cloud-like appearance of its flowers. Contrasts well in a mixed border.

Cotoneaster horizontalis (Rock Spray)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with small green leaves on branches that grow in a herringbone pattern. It has pinkish-white flowers in summer which are attractive to bees and are followed by abundant bright red berries in autumn. Grows in any soil or situation, often used as a wall shrub.

Cotoneaster salicifolius 'Gnom'

A low-growing spreading evergreen shrub with narrow glossy green leaves and bright red berries in autumn. Excellent ground cover which grows in any soil or situation.

Crinodendron hookerianum

Large evergreen shrub or small tree grown for its long dark green leaves and crimson to carmine-pink lantern-like flowers produced from late spring to late summer. Prefers a sheltered site. Ideal for a woodland garden or against a wall.

Crocsmia x crocosmiiflora 'Emily McKenzie'

Small to medium upright perennial with tall mid-green leaves, grown for its beautiful spikes of orange brown-throated flowers in late summer. Lift and divide

large clumps in spring. An eye-catching addition to any garden. Prefers a sunny site.

Crocsmia x crocosmiiflora 'George Davison'

Medium-sized erect perennial with tall mid-green leaves. It is grown for its stunning spikes of bright yellow flowers in mid-summer. Lift and divide large clumps in spring. An eye-catching addition to any garden. Prefers a sunny site.

Crocsmia 'Lucifer'

Medium-sized erect perennial with tall mid-green leaves. It is grown for its stunning spikes of bright red flowers in mid-summer. Mulch in the first winter and during heavy frost. Lift and divide large clumps in spring. An eye-catching addition to any garden. Prefers a sunny site.

x Cupressocyparis leylandii (Leyland Cypress)

Exceedingly fast-growing upright conifer, with green foliage which can be trimmed to form a dense hedge or screen. It will grow 2 to 3 feet per year to a maximum height of 100 feet and is best trimmed at least once a year. Contact with foliage may aggravate skin allergies. Ideal for hedging.

x Cupressocyparis leylandii 'Castlewellan'

Fast-growing upright conifer, with yellow foliage which can be trimmed to form a dense green hedge or screen. It will grow 2 to 3 feet per year to a maximum height of 100 feet and is best trimmed at least once a year. Contact with foliage may aggravate skin allergies. Ideal for hedging.

Cynara cardunculus (Cardoon)

Striking large perennial with spiny, silvery-grey leaves, grown for its tall large purple flowerheads from early summer to early autumn. A stunning architectural feature in a herbaceous border, this plant is very attractive to bees and makes magnificent dried flowers. Related to the artichoke, the leaf-stalks can be blanched and eaten. Protect with mulch in very cold winters.

Cytisus: a selection are available including:

Cytisus 'Goldfinch' (Broom)

Medium to large strong growing deciduous shrub grown for the masses of bright red and yellow flowers borne in spring and early summer. Thrives in poor soil. Prefers a sunny well-drained sheltered site. Ideal for a shrub border. May cause mild stomach upset if eaten.

Cytisus x praecox 'Albus' (Broom)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its masses of showy white flowers in April and May. One of the smaller brooms, it will tolerate poor soils and thrive in dry sunny areas.

Cytisus x praecox 'Allgold' (Broom)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its masses of showy deep yellow flowers in April and May. One of the smaller brooms, it will tolerate poor soils and thrive in dry sunny areas.

Dahlia 'Bishop of Llandaff'

Highly decorative medium to large perennial grown for its profusion of large bright red flowers which contrast well with its dark black-red leaves. The flowers are produced from midsummer to first frosts and are stunning in a border. Prefers a fertile site with some sun. Cut back after flowering.

Dahlia 'Candy Eyes'

Very decorative small to medium perennial, grown for its pale pink flowers with a magenta stripe down the middle of each petal, which contrast well with its lace-like deep mahogany to black foliage. The flowers are produced from midsummer to first frosts and look stunning in a border. Ideal for a fertile sunny site. Cut back after flowering.

Dahlia 'Knockout'

Very decorative medium-sized perennial, grown for its large bright yellow-ribbed sunflower-like flowers with prominent orange centres and black lacquered foliage, which are produced from midsummer to first frosts and look stunning in a border. Ideal for a fertile sunny site. Cut back after flowering.

Dahlia 'Moonfire'

Very decorative medium-sized perennial grown for its wonderful combination of bronze foliage and stunning golden yellow flowers with red centres, which are produced from midsummer to first frosts. Ideal for a fertile sunny site, looks stunning in a border. Cut back after flowering.

Daphne odora 'Aureomarginata' (v)

A delightful medium-sized evergreen shrub with attractive dark green leaves that have creamy-white margins, grown for its very highly fragrant purple-pink flowers from late winter to early spring. Best planted in fertile well-drained soil. Toxic if eaten.

Deschampsia cespitosa (Tufted hair grass or tussock grass)

Small evergreen with long narrow bridge green leaves in dense clumps, which is grown for its glistening silver-tinted purple flowerheads borne on very tall graceful stalks from early to late summer. Ideal for a border, or a wildflower garden.

Dianella tasmanica

Medium-sized tufted perennial, forming clumps of phormium-like, strap-shaped stiff leaves. Star-shaped lavender-blue flowers are produced in early summer, followed by long-lasting dark blue berries. Grow in a woodland garden or a warm sheltered site.

Dianthus deltoides 'Brilliant' (Maiden Pink)

Small mat-forming perennial with dark narrow green leaves grown for its profusion of small bright cerise pink flowers borne through spring and summer. Deadhead to prolong flowering. Ideal for a sunny border.

Dicentra eximia (Wild bleeding heart)

Delightful low-growing perennial grown for its attractive delicate fern-like greenish-blue foliage and unusual heart-shaped pink and white flowers in late

spring and early summer. Thrives in shady conditions, dies down to ground level in winter.

Dicentra spectabilis (Bleeding heart)

Popular medium-sized clump-forming perennial grown for its attractive sprays of heart-shaped deep pink flowers with white insides, which are borne in late spring and early summer. Prefers a moist fertile site in sun or shade. Dies down to ground level in winter. May cause mild stomach upset if eaten. Contact with foliage may aggravate skin allergies.

Dicentra spectabilis 'Alba'

Popular medium clump-forming perennial grown for its attractive sprays of heart-shaped white flowers with white insides which are borne in late spring and early summer. Prefers a moist fertile site in sun or shade. Dies down to ground level in winter. May cause mild stomach upset if eaten. Contact with foliage may aggravate skin allergies.

Dierama pulcherrimum (Angel's Fishing Red)

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial grown for its tall spikes of tubular bell-shaped pale to deep magenta-pink flowers borne in dense hanging clusters in summer. Prefers a well-drained sunny site in a sheltered position. Ideal for a border or by a pool or stream.

Dryopteris: a selection of hardy semi-evergreen ferns are available

Echinacea purpurea (Coneflower)

Medium-sized perennial grown for its stunning large purplish-red daisy-like flowers with golden brown cone-shaped centres which are borne from mid-summer to early autumn. Ideal for a mixed border, for that cottage garden feel. Prefers a sunny site.

Echinacea purpurea 'White Swan' (Coneflower)

Medium to large perennial grown for its profusion of white daisy-like flowers which golden brown cone-shaped centres, borne freely from midsummer to first frosts. Highly attractive to butterflies. Ideal for a perennial border or large container.

Echinops ritro (Globe thistle)

Small to medium clump-forming thistle-like perennial grown for its wonderful round flowerheads, which are metallic-blue before opening, maturing into a brighter blue, and are borne in late summer. Ideal for a large border or wild garden. These plants will grow in most sites and are also good for cutting and drying. Encourages bees and butterflies to the garden.

Elaeagnus x ebbingei

Large fast-growing evergreen shrub with grey-green leaves which have silvery undersides and small white highly fragrant flowers in autumn. Ideal for hedging, especially in seaside areas.

Elaeagnus pungens 'Maculata' (v)

Medium to large evergreen shrub with attractive dark green margined leaves with dark yellow centres and small white highly fragrant flowers in autumn followed by brown fruit which ripen to red. Useful for seaside areas, a good specimen shrub or for a border.

Equisteum hyemale

Unusual, vigorous rush-like perennial grown for its rigid, bright green stems with decorative black bands. Stems grow to a height of 5 feet and remain green throughout winter. To control growth, keep in a container or prune to ground in spring. Requires moist conditions in full sun. An excellent architectural plant for boggy areas or pond margins.

Eryngium 'Blue Glitter'

Attractive medium evergreen perennial with dark green leaves at the base and blue-tinted ones on the stem. It is grown for its unusual intensely blue thistle-like flowerheads borne over a long period in summer and autumn. Prefers a dry sunny site. Ideal for a long-lasting display in a border, or for naturalising.

Eryngium planum 'Blue Hobbit' (Sea Holly)

Attractive compact form of this perennial grown for its unusual blue-grey thistle-like heads, which flower over three months in summer and are followed by attractive seed heads. Prefers a sunny site. Ideal for a pot or front of border.

Eryngium variifolium (Sea Holly)

Small low-growing evergreen perennial, grown for its dark green leaves with conspicuous white veins and heads of blue-grey flowers with silvery-white bases, borne in mid to late summer. The foliage becomes prickly later in the year. Ideal for a rock garden. Prefers a sunny site. Provides a long-lasting display.

Escallonia 'Apple Blossom'

Slow-growing medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its glossy green leaves and a profusion of pink and white apple-blossom-like flowers throughout summer. Good in coastal areas. Ideal as a flowering hedge for a shrub border or against a wall.

Escallonia 'Iveyi'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its glossy dark green leaves setting off large clusters of tubular white flowers throughout summer. Ideal for a shrub border, against a wall, or as a hedge or screen or windbreak.

Escallonia laevis 'Gold Ellen' (v)

Medium-sized semi-evergreen shrub grown for its large pink flowers and bright yellow foliage, occasionally with a central green splash. Prefers a sheltered site. Ideal for a border.

Escallonia rubra 'Crimson Spire'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its glossy dark green leaves and bright crimson flowers throughout summer. Excellent for coastal gardens as a hedge, screen or windbreak or in a shrub border.

Escallonia rubra var. macrantha

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its glossy green leaves and rose-red flowers in summer. Excellent for coastal gardens as a hedge, screen or windbreak or in a border. Likes a sunny sheltered site.

Eucalyptus gunnii (Cider Gum)

Evergreen tree or large shrub with attractive round silver-blue leaves when young, blue-green when mature. It has peeling cream and brown bark. It can reach a large tree size, but will remain an attractive bush if regularly pruned.

Eucomis bicolor (Pineapple Flower)

Wonderful small bulbous perennial with maroon-flecked glossy green leaves and stems. It is grown for its unusual long clustered heads of star-shaped purple-margined pale green flowers. The flowerheads are topped with a small tuft of green leaves, similar to a pineapple. Needs a sunny sheltered site or the base of a warm wall.

Euonymus alatus (Winged Spindle)

Medium to large deciduous shrub or small tree grown for its green leaves which turn a brilliant crimson in autumn providing a spectacular splash of colour, and for its unusual and attractive pink and orange berries. Harmful if eaten.

Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald Gaiety' (v)

Small evergreen shrub grown for its deep green leaves with white margins which become attractively pink-tinged during winter. Ideal in a mixed border or can be used as a wall shrub. Tolerant of most conditions. Harmful if eaten.

Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald 'n' Gold' (v)

Small evergreen shrub grown for its bright golden and green variegated leaves which become attractively pink-tinged during winter. Ideal in a mixed border or can be used as a wall shrub. Tolerant of most conditions. Harmful if eaten.

Euonymus japonicus 'Albomarginatus'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its bright green leaves with creamy-white margins. A popular plant for a mixed border. Harmful if eaten.

Euonymus japonicus 'Microphyllus Albovariegatus' (v)

Small compact evergreen shrub grown for its neat habit and attractive small green white-margined leaves. Ideal for a rock garden or front of border. Harmful if eaten.

Euonymus japonicus 'Ovatus Aureus' (v)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its green leaves suffused with creamy-yellow. A popular plant for a mixed border. Harmful if eaten.

Euphorbia amygdaloides 'Purpurea' (Wood Spurge)

Small semi-evergreen perennial with attractive dark reddish-purple foliage and clusters of unusual sulphur-yellow flowerheads in spring. Fully hardy and will tolerate shady conditions. Milky sap can severely irritate skin and eyes.

Euphorbia amygdaloides var. robbiae

Medium-sized evergreen perennial grown for its neat rosettes of dark green leaves which contrast well with the clusters of unusual greenish-yellow flowers borne from March to May. Ideal for ground cover under shade, it is a plant which establishes well. Milky sap can severely irritate skin and eyes.

Euphorbia characias subsp. wulfenii

Medium-sized evergreen clump-forming perennial with mid-green leaves on upright stems. It is grown for its unusual yellow-green flowerheads which are produced from early spring to early summer. Fully hardy and will tolerate shady conditions. Milky sap can severely irritate skin and eyes.

Euphorbia x martini

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial, with green purple-tinged leaves and clusters of unusual lemon-green flowerheads with a red eye from spring to mid-summer. Fully hardy and will tolerate shady conditions. Milky sap can severely irritate skin and eyes.

Fallopia baldschuanica (Russian Vine or Mile-a-minute)

Extremely vigorous deciduous climber which can reach a height of 40 feet. It is covered with white and pink flowers in summer and autumn. This tough climber is ideal for fast coverage of sheds, trees, walls, pagodas etc.

Fargesia: see Bamboo

x Fatshedera lizei (Tree Ivy)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub which forms a mound of dark green glossy leaves or can be trained as an evergreen climber. Sprays of small white flowers appear in autumn. Tolerant of shade, coastal exposure and pollution. Can be grown as a houseplant.

Fatsia japonica (Japanese Aralia)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with large exotic glossy green leaves set off in autumn by milk-white flowers followed by round black fruits. Prefers a sheltered partially shaded site. Ideal for adding a sub-tropical feel to the garden. Also suitable for large patio pots.

Festuca glauca 'Elijah Blue'

Popular small evergreen tuft-forming perennial grass grown for its stunning silvery-blue foliage. Ideal in rockeries or planted into gravel, or for edging a bed.

Ficus carica 'Brown Turkey' (f)

The Common Fig. Large deciduous wall shrub or small tree with handsome, very large-lobed leaves and delicious edible fruit which are green when young, maturing to dark purple-brown. Foliage can cause skin irritation in sunlight.

Foeniculum vulgare 'Giant Bronze' (Bronze Fennel)

Large deep-rooting aromatic perennial with fine, hair-like aniseed-scented leaves, coloured copper to dark brown. Tiny yellow flowers are borne in mid to late summer, followed by aromatic seeds. The leaves and seeds are used in cooking. Grow in fertile moist soil.

Forsythia x intermedia 'Lynwood Variety'

Medium to large deciduous shrub, grown for its profusion of rich yellow flowers which appear in early spring before the leaves. Ideal for brightening the garden in March and April. Grow in a shrub border, on a bank, against a wall, as a hedge or specimen plant.

Francoa sonchifolia (Bridal Wreath)

Small to medium evergreen clump-forming perennial with deep green leaves at the base, grown for its spikes of pale pink flowers with dark pink markings, which open from deep pink buds in midsummer. Ideal for edging for a border, or for a woodland or courtyard garden. Often used in floral arrangements. Protect from winter wet and hard frosts.

Fremontodendron 'California Glory' (Flannel Bush)

Large vigorous upright, then spreading evergreen shrub with dark green leaves and stunning large saucer-shaped yellow flowers from summer to autumn. Requires full sun and good drainage in sheltered site, excellent on chalk soils. Grown against a warm wall, or at the back of a shrub border. Contact with foliage and shoots may irritate skin.

Fuchsia 'Genii'

Small deciduous hardy shrub with attractive lime-yellow leaves which become bright yellow in sun. Throughout the summer it produces an abundance of dainty red and purple flowers. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia 'Lady Boothby'

Deciduous climber known as 'the world's first climbing fuchsia'. Grown for its striking bright pink and purple two-tone flowers and red stems. Fast growing and ideal for covering trellis, arches, walls or fences. Needs support.

Fuchsia 'Lady Thumb'

Small deciduous hardy shrub grown for its abundant red and white semi-double flowers. It flowers continuously from summer to first frosts. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia 'Mrs Popple'

Small to medium deciduous hardy shrub, grown for its attractive scarlet and purple flowers produced over a long period throughout the summer. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia 'Riccartonii'

Medium deciduous hardy shrub with green leaves which turn reddish purple later in the year. It is covered with dainty red and purple flowers throughout the summer until first frosts. Ideal in a mixed border or as a flowering hedge in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia 'Sunray' (v)

Small deciduous hardy shrub grown for its attractive yellow, pink and green leaves, set off by abundant dainty red flowers throughout the summer. Ideal in sun or light shade.

Fuchsia 'Tom Thumb'

Small deciduous hardy shrub grown for its abundant scarlet and violet flowers produced from July to October. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia 'Whiteknights Blush'

Medium-sized deciduous hardy shrub grown for its very dainty pale pink flowers which cover the plant for a long period throughout the summer. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia x bacillaris

Small deciduous hardy shrub grown for its profusion of minute white, pink or crimson flowers - the colour varies according to the amount of sun. These are sometimes followed by shiny black fruits. The small leaves are glossy and dark green. Ideal for a rock garden or hanging basket in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Fuchsia magellanica 'Versicolor' (v)

Medium-sized deciduous hardy shrub with unusual pink-tinged grey-green leaves. It produces an abundance of reddish-purple flowers throughout summer and autumn. Ideal in sun or light shade. Trim back dead wood in spring.

Gaillardia 'Arizona Sun'

Attractive small perennial, grown for the masses of brilliant red daisy-flowers with yellow tips, which are produced over a long period from summer to autumn. This is a lovely small compact and highly colourful variety which will thrive in most situations. Looks best in a sunny border. Dead head regularly to prolong flowering. Cut back after flowering.

Gaura 'Passionate Blush'

Stunning elegant dwarf perennial grown for its slender spikes of dark pink flowers standing above crimson leaves from midsummer to first frosts. Ideal for patio planters and the front of borders. Prefers a well-drained sunny site in light soil.

Gaura 'Tutti Frutti'

Small to medium compact perennial grown for its masses of small shocking hot pink flowers produced freely from summer to autumn. A graceful plant for a border. Prefers a dry sunny site. May be divided in spring.

Gaura lindheimeri 'Crimson Butterflies'

Small to medium perennial with grey-green leaves grown for its masses of crimson flowers produced freely from summer to autumn, opening at dawn from pink buds. Ideal for a pot or border. Prefers a dry sunny site.

Genista lydia

Small deciduous shrub with slender arching branches which are covered in masses of bright yellow pea-like flowers in May and June. Ideal for sunny borders. Thrives in dry soil.

Geranium (Cranesbill): a selection of hardy herbaceous perennial varieties are usually available

Geum 'Lady Stratheden' (Goldball)

Medium-sized perennial grown for its attractive display of semi-double rich golden yellow flowers borne throughout the summer. Ideal for the front of a well-drained sunny border.

Geum 'Mrs J Bradshaw'

Attractive small perennial with hairy leaves, grown for its masses of semi-double scarlet flowers produced throughout the summer. Ideal for the front of a border in a sunny site. Divide in spring.

Ginkgo biloba (Maidenhair Tree)

Large upright deciduous tree, of very ancient origin, from South China. It is extinct in the wild, but is grown in temple gardens and as a specimen tree. Grown for its unusual fan-shaped mid-green leaves, yellow catkin-like flowers and plum-like yellow-green fruit in autumn. An excellent and interesting landscape tree.

Griselinia littoralis (Broadleaf)

Fast-growing vigorous, large evergreen shrub grown for its beautiful glossy leathery bright apple-green leaves. An ideal hedging plant, which forms a beautiful dense hedge if kept trimmed. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Griselinia littoralis 'Variegata' (v)

Medium-sized fast-growing evergreen shrub grown for its beautiful glossy green leaves with creamy-white margins. It can be trimmed to form a lovely dense hedge. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Gunnera manicata

A bold and striking large perennial, grown for its massive dark green leaves. It has unusual flower spikes in early summer followed by orange-brown seedpods. Leaves die down to the ground in winter when crowns should be protected. Excellent, very striking architectural plant for the edge of a pond, stream or bog garden.

Hakonechloa macra 'Alboraurea'

A small, very attractive graceful clump-forming deciduous perennial grass grown for its mounds of green-striped bright yellow leaves which turn reddish-brown in autumn. Ideal for the front of a border, or a woodland or rock garden, or for containers.

Halimium calycinum

Small evergreen shrub, grown for its narrow dark green leaves which set off the profusion of small bright yellow flowers produced in early summer. Ideal for the front of a border, rock garden or container. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Halimium ocymoides

Small evergreen shrub, with small narrow grey-green downy leaves and bright golden yellow flowers with conspicuous blotched purple centres. Ideal for the front of a border, rock garden or container. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Hebe 'Baby Marie'

Small evergreen shrub grown for its small dark green leaves and profusion of pale lilac flowers in early and mid summer. An ideal plant for patio pots, rockeries and low borders.

Hebe 'Charming White'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its green leaves and profuse white flower spikes in early and midsummer. Ideal for a mixed border in summer.

Hebe 'Pink Fantasy'

Small to medium evergreen shrub grown for its narrow deep green leaves and pink flowers throughout summer. A good trouble-free shrub ideal for a border. Keep moist during dry weather.

Hebe 'Red Edge'

Attractive small evergreen shrub grown for its blue-grey leaves with narrow red margins which have a burgundy hue throughout the winter and covering of lavender flowers in early summer which fade to white. Ideal for the front of a sunny border or as a patio plant.

Hebe pinguifolia Pagei

Small evergreen shrub grown for its blue-grey leaves and masses of small white flowers in late spring. Ideal for rock gardens, patio pots or the front of sunny borders.

Hebe rakaensis

A small very hardy rounded evergreen shrub forming a dense mound of small neat apple-green leaves which is covered in white flowers from early to mid-summer. Ideal for sunny borders.

Hebe salicifolia

Medium-sized vigorous evergreen shrub grown for its bright green leaves and slender spikes of white or pale lilac flowers in summer. Ideal for a quick-flowering hedge.

Hebe topiaria

Small evergreen shrub grown for its neat grey-green leaves and short clusters of pretty white flowers in summer. Ideal for rockeries and the front of borders.

Hebe vernicosa

Small evergreen shrub grown for its glossy bright green leaves and slender spikes of white flowers from late spring to summer. Its neat habit is ideal for rock gardens.

Helenium 'Moerheim Beauty' (Sneezewort)

Medium-sized herbaceous perennial grown for its masses of large bright daisy-like copper-red flowers in late summer from July to September. Ideal for a sunny mixed or herbaceous border. Deadhead to prolong flowering and deadhead clumps every few years. May cause discomfort if eaten, contact with foliage may aggravate skin allergies.

Helenium 'Sahin's Early Flowerer'

Wonderful small to medium perennial grown for its masses of red and orange flowers borne from June to October above green leaves. Ideal for a sunny mixed or herbaceous border. The flowers are attractive to bees. May cause discomfort if eaten, can aggravate skin allergies. Dead-head to prolong flowering.

Helleborus argutifolius (Corsican Hellebore)

Small to medium evergreen perennial with leathery dark green leaves grown for its profusion of bowl-shaped pale green flowers, in late winter and early spring. Ideal plant for dry wooded areas. Harmful if eaten/skin irritant.

Helleborus foetidus (Stinking Hellebore or Bear's Foot)

Small evergreen perennial with coarsely-toothed dark green leaves and pretty light green bell-shaped flowers, from January to April. Ideal plant for dry wooded areas. Harmful if eaten/can cause skin irritation.

Helleborus niger (Christmas Rose)

Small evergreen perennial with dark green leaves, grown for its beautiful white saucer-shaped flowers, sometimes pink-flushed, which are borne on purple stems from early winter to early spring. Ideal for a mixed border or woodland garden in dappled shade. Harmful if eaten, skin irritant.

Helleborus orientalis (Lenten Rose)

Small evergreen perennial with deep green leaves. From mid-winter to mid-spring it bears wonderful saucer-shaped white or greenish-cream flowers becoming pinker with age. Ideal plant for dry wooded areas. Harmful if eaten/can cause skin irritation.

Heuchera 'Caramel'

Small robust clump-forming evergreen perennial grown for its attractive honey-apricot leaves with red sides borne throughout the year, setting off the star shaped white flowers borne on slender stems in late summer. Ideal for ground cover or a mixed border. Attractive to bees.

Heuchera 'Crème Brûlée'

Small semi-evergreen clump-forming perennial, grown for its stunning orange-bronze foliage setting off masses of tiny star-shaped pale flowers in early summer. Excellent foliage plant for ground cover or a mixed border, tolerant of most conditions. Attractive to bees.

Heuchera 'Peach Flambe'

Small semi-evergreen clump-forming perennial, grown for its stunning bright peach coloured foliage, turning plum coloured during the winter. Excellent foliage plant for ground cover or a mixed border, tolerant of most conditions. Attractive to bees.

Heuchera villosa 'Palace Purple' (Coral Flower)

Small semi-evergreen clump-forming perennial grown for its striking plum-purple leaves with a metallic sheen setting off the masses of tiny star-shaped white flowers. Excellent foliage plant for ground cover or mixed border.

Heuchera sanguinea 'Ruby Bells'

Small clump-forming semi-evergreen perennial grown for its very small, intensely deep red, bell-shaped flowers which are borne over a long period in spring and summer on a myriad of flower spikes contrasting with the green leaves. It has an attractive compact habit and flowers abundantly. Ideal for ground cover or a mixed border.

Heucherella 'Stoplight'

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial grown for its stunning foliage. The heart-shaped leaves are bright yellow with red centres in spring, and vary from straw yellow to green with a red centre – white flowers are produced in spring. Ideal for a container or border for eye-catching spring colour.

Holcus mollis 'White Fog' (v)

Dwarf clump-forming evergreen variegated grass with long thin spidery green leaves that have a central strip of white. A very hardy grass that is good for ground cover. Can be cut back hard after flowering to keep tidy.

Hosta: a selection of these attractive small perennials are available.

Houttuynia cordata 'Chameleon' (v)

Small spreading deciduous perennial grown for its decorative leaves which are variegated bright green, yellow and red and smell of oranges when crushed. It bears small white star-shaped flowers in summer. Thrives in damp conditions. Leaf colour is enhanced by sun.

Humulus lupulus 'Aureus' (Golden Hop)

Large vigorous twining deciduous perennial grown for its attractive golden yellow foliage. Ideal for fences, pergolas, trellises and small trees. Grow in sunny position for best leaf colour. Cut down in late autumn.

Hydrangea anomala subsp petiolaris (climbing Hydrangea - Lacecap)

Large slow-growing deciduous self-clinging climber with attractive heart-shaped leaves which turn yellow in autumn. Flat heads of small white flowers are produced in June. Will grow in sun or shade, including a north facing wall.

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Blue Bonnet' (Hortensia)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its spectacular large blue to pink mophead flowers produced throughout the summer. Colour can vary according to soil conditions.

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Générale Vicomtesse de Vibraye'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its spectacular large clear blue to pink mophead flowers produced throughout the summer. Colour can vary according to soil conditions.

Hydrangea macrophylla 'Mariesii Perfecta' (Lacecap)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its spectacular large rich blue, lilac or pink flowers produced throughout the summer. Colour can vary according to soil conditions.

Hydrangea paniculata 'Tardiva'

Large deciduous shrub grown for its massive, very showy, white and pinkish-white flowerheads throughout the autumn - a useful later-flowering variety. To obtain larger flowerheads, cut back previous season's shoots hard in spring.

Hydrangea seemannii

Unusual large slow-growing evergreen self-clinging climber with long glossy green leaves and clusters of white flowers in summer. Prefers a sheltered south-facing wall.

Hypericum 'Hidcote'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen shrub grown for its abundant golden-yellow cup-shaped flowers, from summer to early autumn. A good reliable shrub for most conditions.

Hypericum olympicum f. minus 'Sulphureum'

Small deciduous shrub with tiny grey-green leaves and striking lemon-yellow flowers in summer. Ideal for a sunny site at the front of a low border.

Ilex x altaclerensis 'Golden King' (f/v)

Large evergreen shrub or small tree grown for its attractively-variegated gold and green leaves. This is a female variety which will produce red berries in autumn if pollinated by a male variety. Good for hedges and topiary. Can be pruned to size or shape. Berries may cause mild stomach upset if ingested.

Ilex aquifolium 'Argentea Marginata' (f/v)

A large columnar female tree with cream-streaked green stems and oval spiny dark green leaves with wide creamy-white margins, shrimp-pink when young. Bears abundant, very bright red berries.

Ilex aquifolium 'Silver Queen' (m/v)

Medium to large dense upright slow-growing male tree with purple stems and oval spiny very dark green leaves with broad cream margins. Pink when young.

Imperata cylindrical 'Rubra' (Red Baron)

Small slow-spreading perennial grass, forming clumps of mid-green leaves which quickly turn a striking deep blood-red from the tips almost to the base. Spikes of fluffy silvery-white flowerheads are borne in late summer. Ideal for the front of a mixed or herbaceous border in a sunny position, or for containers.

Inula hookeri

Small deciduous clump-forming perennial grown for its profusion of attractive yellow daisy-like flowerheads from late summer to mid-autumn. Thrives in sun or part shade in any reasonable soil. Ideal cottage garden plant.

Iris japonica variegata (v)

Small perennial with evergreen glossy white and green striped foliage. Produces stunning white/lavender blue flowers in late spring. Grown in full sun or partial shade. Harmful if eaten.

Jasminum nudiflorum (Winter Jasmine)

Medium-sized deciduous arching winter-flowering shrub with small dark green leaves. Bright yellow flowers appear on the naked branches from late autumn to early spring. Good wall or trellis shrub, needing support.

Jasminium officinale 'Aureum' (v)

Large strong-growing deciduous climber with attractive green leaves, variegated and suffused with yellow and deliciously fragrant free-flowering white scented flowers in clusters from early summer to early autumn.

Jasminum officinale (Poets' Jasmine)

Large deciduous twining climber with attractive green leaves and clusters of deliciously fragrant white flowers from early summer to early autumn. Ideal for trellises and pergolas. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Kerria japonica 'Pleniflora' (Jew's Mallow)

Vigorous medium-sized deciduous shrub with bright green leaves and pompom-like double golden yellow flowers in mid to late spring. Cut back flowering shoots in June.

Kniphofia 'Dorset Sentry' (Red-hot poker)

Attractive medium-sized clump-forming deciduous perennial with long narrow grass-like leaves. It is grown for the bold spikes bearing fat pokers of bright yellow flowers, opening from the bottom up from July to October, which are very attractive to bees. Prefers a sunny sheltered well-drained site. Ideal for giving a cottage garden effect to a border.

Kniphofia 'Flamenco' (Red-hot poker)

Medium-sized perennial grown for its big bold spikes of striking orange and yellow flowers from mid-summer to early autumn which are very attractive to bees. Ideal in a border for that cottage garden effect. Prefers a sunny site.

Kniphofia caulescens 'Coral Breakers' (Red-hot poker)

Attractive evergreen medium-sized perennial with broad blue-grey leaves, grown for its short stems bearing poker heads with pale yellow bases and coral-red tops in early summer. Flowers much earlier than other red-hot pokers. Ideal for a sunny herbaceous border for that cottage effect.

Laurus nobilis (Bay Tree, Sweet Bay)

Large evergreen shrub or medium tree with glossy dark highly aromatic green leaves often used in cooking. Ideal seaside plant. Good in a large pot. Can be trimmed to form a pyramid. Popular plant for that Mediterranean courtyard look.

Lavandula 'Fathead'

Attractive small evergreen shrub with highly aromatic grey-green foliage and large round plum-purple tufted flowerheads throughout the summer. This is a particularly strong variety which usually survives the winter very well. A compact variety ideal for the front of a sunny border.

Lavandula 'Helmsdale'

Attractive small evergreen shrub with highly aromatic grey-green foliage and large round plum-purple tufted flowerheads throughout the summer. This is a particularly strong variety which usually survives the winter very well. A compact variety ideal for the front of a sunny border.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Alba' (White Lavender)

Small evergreen shrub with highly aromatic narrow grey-green leaves and attractive very fragrant white flowers produced on fairly long stems throughout the summer. Prune in early spring to keep a good shape. Prefers a sunny site.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' (English Lavender)

Small compact evergreen shrub with highly aromatic silvery-grey foliage which provides a beautiful contrast to the fragrant deep purple-blue flowers which are borne throughout the summer. Ideal for low hedges. Prefers a sunny site. Prune in early spring to keep good shape.

Lavandula angustifolia 'Rosea'

Dwarf compact evergreen shrub with highly aromatic grey-green foliage and fragrant clear pink flowers throughout the summer. Ideal for low hedges. Prefers a sunny site. Prune in early spring to keep good shape.

Lavandula viridis

Small evergreen shrub with highly aromatic narrow green leaves and unusual fragrant yellow-green flowerheads throughout the summer. Ideal for a sheltered sunny site. Slightly more tender than English lavender. Prune in early spring to keep good shape.

Lavatera x clementii Barnsley' (Mallow)

Medium to large semi-evergreen shrub, grown for its abundant hollyhock-like very pale pink flowers which have a red eye and appear over a very long period throughout summer and autumn. Ideal for the back of a sunny border to create that cottage garden look. Can be cut back hard in late spring if necessary.

Lavatera x clementii 'Burgundy Wine' (Mallow)

Medium to large evergreen shrub grown for its abundant hollyhock-like deep pink flowers which appear over a very long period throughout summer and autumn. Ideal for the back of a sunny border to create that cottage garden look. Can be cut back hard in late spring if necessary.

Lavatera thuringiaca 'Red Rum' (Tree Mallow)

New medium-sized compact variety of this deciduous or semi-evergreen shrub, grown for its abundant reddish-pink hollyhock-like flowers on dark stems over a long period during summer and autumn. It is ideal for sunny borders in small gardens for that cottage garden look, can also be grown in a container. Prefers sunny well-drained site.

Leptospermum liversidgei

Medium to large evergreen shrub with grey-green leaves, lemon-scented when crushed, and graceful sprays of small white flowers in late spring and summer. Prefers a sheltered sunny site.

Leptospermum scoparium 'Red Damask' (New Zealand Tea Tree)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with narrow aromatic dark reddish-green leaves which set off sprays of long-lasting double deep-red flowers like tiny roses in late spring and summer. Prefers a sheltered sunny site.

Leycesteria formosa (Himalayan Honeysuckle)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub whose blue-green cane-like stems bear slender oval dark green leaves. In summer and early autumn highly decorative white flowers with unusual purple-red bracts hang gracefully from the arching branches giving an oriental feel. These are followed in late autumn by attractive red-purple berries.

Liatris spicata (Gayfeather)

Attractive perennial growing to a height of 2 feet, grown for its tall spikes of fluffy, pale purple flowers in mid to late summer which open from the top downwards. These are complemented by the glossy deep green foliage. Ideal for the front of a herbaceous or mixed border. They make excellent cut flowers and are very attractive to butterflies. Dies down for the winter.

Libertia grandiflora

Unlike most perennials which die down in the winter, this small plant keeps its sword-like evergreen leaves throughout the year. Delightful sprays of white flowers are produced on flower stalks above the leaves in early to mid-summer. Prefers a well-drained sunny site. Ideal for a mixed border or gravel garden.

Ligularia 'Britt Marie Crawford'

Medium to large evergreen perennial grown for its sumptuous dark glossy black chocolate-maroon upper leaves with dark purple backs, and its profusion of large deep orange-yellow flowerheads borne from midsummer to early autumn. Prefers moist soil in a sheltered sunny site. Ideal for a mixed or herbaceous border or pond side.

Ligustrum ovalifolium (Privet)

Medium to large dense semi-evergreen shrub with dark-green leaves. The white flowers are followed by black fruits. Can be trimmed to form a neat hedge and is tolerant of most conditions. Harmful if eaten.

Limonium latifolium (Sea lavender)

Small perennial with large leathery dark green leaves, grown for its profuse clusters of attractive lavender-blue flowers in late summer. The flowers are often dried for indoor decoration. Prefers a sunny site.

Liriope muscari (Lilyturf)

Small grass-like evergreen spreading perennial with long narrow glossy dark green leaves. It is grown for its attractive spikes of lavender or purple-blue flowers in autumn.

Liriope muscari 'Variegata' (Lilyturf')

Small grass-like evergreen spreading perennial grown for its long narrow glossy green and cream variegated leaves which contrast well with its attractive spikes of purple-blue flowers in autumn. Thrives in sun or partial shade. Ideal for ground cover or for edging a herbaceous border. Lift and divide in spring.

Lobelia cardinalis 'Queen Victoria'

Small to medium clump-forming perennial with upright stems and attractive red-purple leaves. Striking scarlet flowers are produced in late summer. Very effective plant for waterside planting and mixed borders. May need protection from slugs. Cut back flower stalks after flowering. Harmful if eaten.

Lobelia x speciosa 'Fan Scarlet'

Small to medium clump-forming perennial with copper-coloured leaves, grown for its attractive spikes of deep red flowers borne throughout the summer, bringing a colourful touch to the garden. Likes a moist sunny site. Harmful if eaten.

Lobelia x speciosa 'Pink Elephant'

Medium clump-forming perennial, which produces large pink flowers on long upright stems from mid to late summer. Very effective plant for waterside planting and mixed borders. Prefers full sun and moist soil. May need protection from slugs. Harmful if eaten.

Lonicera x brownii 'Dropmore Scarlet' (Scarlet Trumpet Honeysuckle)

Large deciduous twining climber with striking clusters of slightly fragrant bright scarlet tubular flowers with orange throats from July to October. Ideal for trellises, pergolas, sheds and trees.

Lonicera x heckrottii 'Gold Flame'

Large deciduous twining climber grown for its numerous clusters of bright orange and pink flowers produced over a very long period in summer. Ideal for trellises, pergolas and archways.

Lonicera nitida 'Baggesen's Gold'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its bright golden foliage. Makes a delightful dense shrub which can be trimmed to make an excellent hedge or for topiary.

Lonicera nitida 'Lemon Beauty' (v)

Small evergreen shrub grown for its attractive bright variegated gold and green foliage which looks good all year round. Ideal for ground cover or patio pots.

Lonicera periclymenum 'Belgica' (Early Dutch Honeysuckle)

Large vigorous deciduous twining climber grown for its highly scented reddish-purple flowers which appear in spring and often again in late summer. This is one of the traditional cottage garden honeysuckles.

Lonicera periclymenum 'Purple Queen'

Large semi-evergreen twining climber with attractive purple-tinged leaves and a profusion of highly fragrant purple and white flowers over a long period from spring to late summer. Ideal for screening.

Lonicera periclymenum 'Serotina' (Late Dutch Honeysuckle)

Large vigorous deciduous twining climber grown for its highly-scented purple and pink flowers from July to October. This is one of the traditional cottage garden honeysuckles.

Lonicera x purpusii 'Winter Beauty'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its highly-scented small white flowers which appear in clusters on bare stems from December to April. Provides winter interest in the garden.

Lonicera similis var. delavayi

Large evergreen twining climber with showy, highly fragrant, creamy yellow flowers in summer. This variety is in constant demand, as evergreen flowering climbers are hard to find. Ideal for a wall or fence, an archway, or a trellis.

Lotus hirsutus (Hairy Canary Clover)

Charming small spreading semi-evergreen shrub with small grey-green hairy leaves and clusters of delightful pink and white pea-like flowers in summer and early autumn. Ideal for dry sunny borders. Can be pruned hard in late spring to keep tidy.

Luma apiculata 'Glanleam Gold' (v) (Myrtus)

Medium-sized slow-growing evergreen shrub with small brightly variegated green and cream leaves. The upright stems are bedecked with small fluffy fragrant white flowers in late summer and autumn followed by red fruits ripening to purple. Has peeling bark. Prefers a sheltered site.

Lychnis chalcedonica (Jerusalem Cross)

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial grown for its large heads of bright red flowers borne on long upright leafy stems. Prefers a sunny site. Ideal for cottage garden or mixed border.

Lychnis flos-cuculi 'Jenny' (Ragged Robin)

Small to medium upright slender perennial grown for its beautiful large fluffy double pink flowers borne from early summer to early autumn. Easy to grow, and ideal for a sunny border or wild garden. Cut back hard to encourage reblooming.

Lysimachia ciliata 'Firecracker'

Stunning small clump-forming perennial grown for its large heads of bright red flowers borne on long upright leafy stems. Prefers a sunny site. Ideal for cottage garden or mixed border.

Lysimachia clethroides

Small to medium perennial grown for its showy spikes of small white flowers in late summer. Prefers moist soil in sun or partial shade.

Lysimachia punctata 'Alexander' (v)

Small perennial grown for its variegated green and white leaves, pink when young, and masses of cup-shaped yellow flowers in mid and late summer. Good, partial spreading ground cover in sun or shade.

Lythrum salicaria 'Blush'

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial, grown for its showy blush-pink flower spikes, which are produced on upright stems from mid-summer to early autumn. Ideal for a herbaceous border to give a cottage garden look. Will tolerate damp conditions. Cut back last year's dead stems hard in late autumn or early spring.

Lythrum salicaria 'Morden Pink'

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial grown for its long showy spikes of pink flowers borne on upright stems from mid-summer to early autumn. Ideal for a herbaceous border to give a cottage garden look. Will tolerate damp conditions. Cut back last year's dead stems in late autumn or early spring.

Lythrum salicaria 'Robert' (Purple Loosestrife)

Medium-sized clump-forming perennial, grown for its showy bright pink flower spikes which are produced on upright stems from mid-summer to early autumn. Ideal for use in a herbaceous border to give a cottage garden look. Will tolerate damp conditions. Cut back last year's dead stems hard in late autumn or early spring.

Magnolia x soulangeana

Large deciduous shrub or tree with large dark green leaves grown for its stunning very large goblet-shaped white flowers with rose-pink bases, borne in mid to late spring before and with the young leaves. Prefers acid soil in a sunny sheltered site. Mulch in early spring.

Magnolia stellata (Star magnolia)

Large compact deciduous shrub grown for its delightful profusion of perfumed large white pink-tinged flowers borne in early to mid-spring before the leaves. Ideal magnolia if space is limited. Prefers a sunny or lightly shaded site in acid to neutral soil.

Mahonia japonica

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with large spiny green leaves on upright branches. It is grown for its showy long arching sprays of lemon yellow highly-scented flowers which are produced from late autumn to early spring followed by blue-purple berries.

Mahonia x media 'Charity'

Medium to large evergreen shrub with large spiny dark green leaves on upright branches. It is grown for its superb long arching sprays of fragrant deep yellow flowers from late autumn to late winter. A dramatic architectural plant for a large garden.

Matteuccia struthiopteris 'Ostrich' or Suttlecock fern

Large deciduous fern grown for its attractive "shuttlecock" of pale green fronds. Shorter dark brown fronds appear in mid or late summer and persist through the winter. Ideal for moist shade or a woodland garden, damp border or pond side.

Melianthus major (Honeybush)

Medium to large shrub grown for its very attractive, toothed blue-green leaves and tall spikes of deep brick-red to crimson flowers borne from late spring to midsummer. Prefers a sheltered sunny site. Ideal for a border or specimen plant especially in coastal areas. Can die down in winter in cold areas. Will usually re-sprout annually from the base.

Milium effusum 'Aureum' (Golden Wood Millet)

Small slow-spreading semi-evergreen perennial grass with bright golden-yellow leaves. Tiny golden delicate nodding flower spikelets are produced from spring to mid summer.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Early Hybrid'

Medium-sized deciduous clump-forming perennial grass with long flat narrow green leaves, grown for its stunning large silky pale-grey to purple-brown flowerheads in late summer. A wonderful architectural focal point, ideal as a free-standing specimen, in a mixed or herbaceous border, or for poolside planting. Prefers a sunny site. Cut to the ground in early spring.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Gold Bar' (v)

Small clump-forming perennial grass grown for its striking and sparkling reed-like green foliage with broad horizontal creamy-yellow bands borne throughout the season. Ideal architectural focal point, but much smaller than the other miscanthus - it quickly forms a clump. Cut back hard in spring.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Strictus' (v)

Medium to large perennial grass grown for its striking arching reed-like green foliage with bold gold horizontal stripes. Ideal architectural focal point. Cut back hard in spring.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Late Hybrid'

Medium-sized deciduous clump-forming perennial grass with long flat narrow green leaves, grown for its stunning large silky pale-grey to purple-brown flowerheads in autumn. A wonderful architectural focal point, ideal as a free-standing specimen, in a mixed or herbaceous border, or for poolside planting. Prefers a sunny site. Cut to the ground in early spring.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Morning Light'

Beautiful deciduous clump-forming perennial grass with long tall slender green leaves with white borders, giving a slivery effect. It bears tall heads of pale crimson flower plumes, which fade to reddish bronze, from late summer to late autumn. A wonderful architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. Cut back dead foliage in spring.

Miscanthus sinensis var. condensatus 'Cosmopolitan' (v)

Large clump-forming perennial grass grown for its boldly variegated green and white reed-like foliage. Creamy spikelets of flowerheads are produced in autumn. Ideal architectural focal point. Cut back hard in spring.

Miscanthus sinensis 'Yakushima Dwarf'

Small perennial grass grown for its striking green foliage with white midribs and its compact size. It bears lovely pinkish-brown flowers in autumn. Ideal for a border or waterside planting.

Molinia caerulea subsp. arundinacea 'Skyracer'

Tall perennial grass which can reach a height of 7 feet, grown for its attractive graceful clumps of purple spikelets on yellow stems which turn a beautiful clear gold in autumn. Ideal for a mixed border or woodland garden.

Molinia caerulea subsp. caerulea 'Variegata' (v)

Small perennial grass with striped creamy foliage and attractive green flowerheads with dark purple tinges borne on bright yellow stems. Ideal for a mixed border or woodland garden.

Myrtus communis (Common Myrtle)

Medium evergreen aromatic shrub with dark glossy green leaves and profuse saucer-shaped fragrant fluffy white flowers in mid-spring to late summer, followed by purple-black berries. Good seaside plant in a sunny site.

Myrtus communis subsp. tarentina

Medium evergreen shrub with small glossy dark green aromatic leaves and profuse fragrant saucer-shaped fluffy white flowers from mid-spring to early summer, followed by spherical white fruits. It is very wind-resistant and makes a good hedge in a mild area. Prefers a sunny site.

Nandina domestica

Large evergreen shrub with lance-shaped leaves, turning reddish-purple when young and in winter. Bears small star-shaped white flowers in summer, followed by long-lasting, bright red fruit.

Nandina domestica 'Fire Power'

Dwarf evergreen shrub with striking bright red leaves. Bears star-shaped white flowers in mid-summer, followed by long-lasting bright red fruit. Excellent as ground cover.

Nemesia 'Vanilla Mist'

Small to medium perennial, grown for its masses of small pink flowers with a delicious vanilla fragrance produced over a long period from May to first frosts. Prefers a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for patios, pots, baskets and borders.

Nepeta 'Six Hills Giant'

Small vigorous perennial with hairy, highly aromatic grey-green leaves. Bears abundant, pretty, spike-like lavender-blue flowers for a long period over summer. Grow in any well-drained soil in full sun or partial shade. Attractive to bees.

Nepeta nervosa 'Pink Cat'

Medium-sized bushy perennial grown for its abundant spikes of intensely pink flowers. Borne from midsummer to early autumn. Ideal for a mixed or herbaceous border. Attractive to bees.

Nerine bowdenii (1 litre)

Delightful small bulbous perennial grown for its lily-like pink flowers which provide striking colour to brighten the garden in autumn. Prefers a sunny well-drained site and flowers best when bulbs are planted close together. Mulch in winter in cold areas. Susceptible to slugs.

Oenothera fruticosa subsp. glauca 'Erica Robin' (v)

Small erect perennial with softly hairy red-tinged stems, grown for its masses of cup-shaped yellow flowers produced for a long period from early spring to late summer. Can be grown in poor to moderately fertile soil in full sun. Can even tolerate stony soil.

Olea europaea (Olive tree)

Slow-growing medium-sized evergreen tree with grey-green leaves. In hot summers tiny fragrant creamy-white flowers may be followed by edible oval olive-green fruit. Grow as a specimen tree in a courtyard garden or sheltered sunny site for a Mediterranean look to your garden. Protect from frosts.

Olearia x haastii (Daisy bush)

Rounded medium-sized evergreen shrub with glossy grey-green leaves. It is covered with heads of fragrant daisy-like white flowers from mid to late summer. Good wind-resistant plant which prefers a sunny site.

Olearia traversii 'Tweedledee'

Medium to large fast-growing evergreen shrub with polished leathery dark green leaves with attractive light and mid-green variegated centres. Ideal for a windbreak in a seaside area, will grow in any soil.

Ophiopogon planiscapus 'Nigrescens' (Black Dragon)

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial grown for its unusual, almost black, grass-like leaves. Small bell-shaped purplish-white flowers are produced in summer followed by dark blue-black fruits. Ideal for an alpine garden planted through gravel.

Osmanthus x burkwoodii

Medium-sized evergreen shrub whose small glossy dark green leaves set off a profusion of small highly fragrant white flowers from mid to late spring. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Osteospermum jucundum (African Daisy)

Small clump-forming perennial grown for its profusion of large soft pink daisy-like flowers which open in the sun and close at night, and are borne from late spring to autumn. Ideal for the front of a sunny border or wall.

Pachysandra terminalis 'Green Carpet'

Small evergreen creeping perennial with glossy dark green leaves and small white flowers in spring or early summer. Ideal for ground cover in shrub borders or woodland gardens. Will tolerate dry shady conditions.

Parthenocissus henryana (Chinese Virginia Creeper)

Large self-clinging deciduous tendril climber, grown for its beautiful deep green leaves with conspicuous white or pink veins which turn bright red in autumn. Will grow in any aspect but colours best in partial shade. Ideal for walls or trellises.

Parthenocissus quinquefolia (Virginia Creeper)

Large deciduous tendril climber grown for its masses of mid-green leaves which turn a striking brilliant orange, red and crimson in autumn. Ideal for walls or trellises.

Parthenocissus tricuspidata 'Veitchii' (Boston Ivy)

Large deciduous self-clinging tendril climber grown for its green leaves which turn a spectacular rich crimson and scarlet in autumn. Makes a solid mass of colourful covering for a wall or building.

Passiflora caerulea (Blue Passion Flower)

Large evergreen or semi-evergreen tendril climber with rich green leaves. It is grown for its attractive unusually shaped flowers which are white with a pink flush and have blue or purple banded crowns. They are said to represent the Passion of Christ. These are followed by long-lasting orange fruits.

Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln' (Chinese Fountain Grass)

Small perennial grass with dark green leaves which turn deep yellow in autumn. It is grown for its soft greenish-white flowerheads which sway gently in the wind in summer. Excellent for flower arranging. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Red Bunny Tails' (Fountain Grass)

Medium-sized annual or perennial grass-like plant grown for its reddish-pink rabbit tail-like flower heads, borne in summer and autumn, which highlight the burgundy-green foliage. The flowers fade to buff-white on maturity. Ideal for large containers, borders and pondsides.

Pennisetum villosum (Feathertop grass)

A wonderful small perennial clump-forming grass grown for its abundance of creamy-white fluffy feathery seedheads borne from June to October. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. Protect from hard frosts.

Penstemon 'Alice Hindley'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial grown for its tubular lilac flowers with a white centre borne from mid-summer to autumn. A colourful elegant and reliable cottage garden perennial which flowers prolifically over a long period. Can be cut back in late spring.

Penstemon 'Audrey Cooper'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial. It is grown for its bell-shaped flowers with cerise flowers with a white throat, which are produced from mid-summer to autumn. A colourful, elegant and reliable cottage garden perennial which flowers prolifically over a long period. Can be cut back in late spring.

Penstemon 'Garnet'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial with narrow green leaves. Bell-shaped deep wine-red flowers are produced from mid-summer to autumn. A colourful, elegant and reliable cottage garden perennial which flowers prolifically over a long period. Can be cut back in late spring.

Penstemon 'The Juggler'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial grown for its bell-shaped purple and magenta flowers with a white throat produced from mid-summer to autumn. A colourful, elegant and reliable cottage garden perennial which flowers prolifically over a long period. Can be cut back in late spring.

Penstemon 'White Bedder'

Medium-sized semi-evergreen perennial grown for its bell-shaped white flowers tinged pink produced from mid-summer to autumn. A colourful, elegant and reliable cottage garden perennial which flowers prolifically over a long period. Can be cut back in late spring.

More varieties of Penstemons are sometimes available, including some Pensham varieties.

Perovskia 'Blue Spire' (Russian Sage)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with grey-white stems and aromatic toothed silvery-grey leaves. It bears a profusion of violet-blue flower spikes from late

summer to mid-autumn. Best cut down to 10 inches in spring to keep a good shape. Very effective in a cottage garden setting.

***Persicaria affinis* 'Donald Lowndes'**

Low-growing semi-evergreen mat-forming perennial grown for its abundance of spikes of pink, red and white flowers which are produced over a long period from summer to early winter. This is an ideal plant for ground cover in sun or shade.

***Persicaria bistorta* 'Superba'**

Small clump-forming perennial with green dock-like leaves, grown for its profusion of tall poker-like spikes of pink flowers borne from June to September. Ideal for a mixed border or bog garden. Very easy to grow, attractive and colourful.

***Persicaria microcephala* 'Red Dragon'**

Small semi-evergreen shrub, grown for its striking purplish-red leaves with a blue-black central splash which appear on gracefully arching branches. Small white flowers are produced in spring and summer. This lovely foliage plant contrasts well with other shrubs in a mixed border.

***Phalaris arundinacea* var. *picta* 'Feesey' (v) (Gardener's Garters)**

Medium-sized semi-evergreen spreading perennial grass grown for its upright green and white striped leaves with a pink tinge. Can be divided in spring. This is a fast-growing alternative to bamboo.

***Philadelphus* 'Belle Etoile' (Mock Orange)**

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with arching branches bearing mid-green leaves and a profusion of highly fragrant cup-shaped single white flowers with maroon centres from late spring to early summer.

***Philadelphus* 'Manteau d'Hermine' (Mock Orange)**

Small compact deciduous shrub with small mid-green leaves and clusters of very fragrant double creamy-white flowers borne in early and mid-summer. Ideal for the small garden.

***Philadelphus coronarius aureus* (Mock Orange)**

Medium to large deciduous shrub grown for its golden-yellow leaves and clusters of very fragrant single creamy-white flowers in late spring and early summer. Can scorch in full sun. Can be trimmed after flowering to encourage a more compact shape.

Phlomis cashmeriana

Medium-size upright perennial with woolly sage-like grey-green leaves, grown for its unusual large hooded lilac-purple flowers borne in midsummer. Very effective in a border in a sheltered site, or against a wall. Seedheads may be left for their ornamental effect.

***Phlomis fruticosa* (Jerusalem Sage)**

Small to medium mound-forming evergreen shrub with furry grey-green leaves and conspicuous whorls of unusual hooded bright yellow flowers in early to mid-summer. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phlomis russeliana

Small to medium evergreen perennial with large heart-shaped leaves, grown for its unusual hooded butter-yellow flowers produced throughout the summer. Excellent as ground cover. Prefers a sunny site.

Phlox paniculata 'Purple Eye Flame' (syn. 'Barthirtythree')

Small short bushy perennial grown for its masses of purple flowers with white centres which look stunning in a border or rockery in early summer. Prefers a sunny site. Feeding will promote flowering. Can be divided in autumn or spring.

Phlox paniculata 'Velvet Flame'

Small short bushy perennial grown for its masses of velvet purple-blue flowers which look stunning in a border or rockery in early summer. Prefers a sunny site. Feeding will promote flowering. Can be divided in autumn or spring.

Phormium 'Alison Blackman'

Medium-sized evergreen perennial, grown for its striking sword-like leaves which have olive-green centres with golden stripes and margins. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium 'Black Velvet'

Lovely medium-sized evergreen perennial grown for its long narrow stiff arching dark blackish grey-green leaves. Impossible to describe in words, but highly effective in a sunny well-drained border. Makes an excellent architectural focal point.

Phormium 'Gold Ray'

Medium-sized evergreen perennial, grown for its striking sword-like leaves which are green with golden-yellow variegated margins and orange-pink edges. Ideal to give a tropical look to your garden. It makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a well-drained sunny site.

Phormium 'Maori Queen' (v)

Medium-sized upright evergreen perennial with broad bronze, green and red striped leaves which grows to a height of 3 feet. Tall panicles of yellow-green flowers are borne above the leaves in summer. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium 'Maori Sunrise' (v)

Medium-sized evergreen perennial with striking slender sword-like apricot and pink striped leaves with bronze margins. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium 'Pink Stripe'

Striking medium-sized evergreen perennial grown for its long strap-like leaves, which are olive-green margined with a vivid pink. Makes a wonderful architectural focal point. Ideal for a sunny well-drained border.

Phormium 'Sundowner' (v)

Medium-sized evergreen perennial with striking sword-like bronze-green leaves with dark rose-pink margins. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium 'Yellow Wave' (v)

Medium-sized evergreen perennial with striking sword-like leaves which are an attractive yellow-green colour. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium cookianum subsp. hookeri 'Tricolor'

Medium evergreen perennial with striking sword-like creamy-yellow leaves with a red edge and yellow panicles of flowers from early summer to early autumn. Needs a sheltered site.

Phormium tenax (New Zealand Flax)

Large evergreen perennial with striking greenish-blue sword-like leaves and tall flower stalks turning to unusual black seed pods. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Phormium tenax Purpureum Group (Purple New Zealand Flax)

Medium-sized evergreen perennial with striking sword-like leaves which are rich reddish-purple to dark copper in colour and tall flower stalks turning to unusual black seed pods. Makes an excellent architectural focal point. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Photinia x fraseri 'Little Red Robin'

A dwarf form of this very popular and colourful evergreen shrub, grown for its large deep bronze-red young leaves which mature to green. Can be pruned to shape when colours fade to encourage fresh colourful new growth. This variety has an even deeper red colour than the 'Red Robin' variety and is ideal for contrast in a mixed border.

Photinia x fraseri 'Red Robin'

Large evergreen shrub with spectacular bright red young leaves fading to green as they mature. Can be pruned to shape when the colour fades to encourage fresh new growth. Ideal for contrast in a mixed border.

Phygelius aequalis 'Trewidden Pink'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its showy tubular dusky-pink flowers with yellow throats which appear in early summer. Remove dead heads to prolong flowering. Cut back dead wood in late spring to keep shape.

Phygelius aequalis 'Yellow Trumpet'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its showy tubular pale creamy-yellow flowers which appear in early summer. Remove dead heads to prolong flowering. Cut back dead wood in late spring to keep shape.

Phygelius x rectus 'African Queen'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub grown for its showy tubular pale red flowers with yellow mouths which appear from early summer to early autumn. Remove dead heads to prolong flowering. Cut back dead wood in late spring to keep shape.

Phygelius x rectus Somerford Funfair Wine

Compact small to medium evergreen perennial grown for its rich wine trumpet-shaped blooms borne over a long period in summer and into autumn. Remove dead heads to prolong flowering. Prefers a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for a shrub or herbaceous border.

Phygelius x rectus Somerford Funfair Yellow

Compact small to medium evergreen perennial grown for its soft creamy-yellow trumpet-shaped blooms borne over a long period in summer and into autumn. Remove dead heads to prolong flowering. Prefers a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for a shrub or herbaceous border.

Phyllostachys: see Bamboo

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Dart's Gold'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its striking golden-yellow foliage. It has clusters of tiny white flowers in early summer. Makes a bold contrast to purple and bronze-leaved plants in a mixed border.

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Diabolo' (Ninebark)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its striking dark purple foliage. It has clusters of tiny white flowers in early summer. Makes a bold contrast to golden and silver-leaved plants in a mixed border.

Picea abies (Christmas Tree or Norway Spruce)

Large fast-growing conifer with dark green needles.

Pieris 'Flaming Silver' (v)

A small, dense-growing evergreen shrub, grown for its attractive leaves which are bright red when young and develop a striking silvery-white margin, pink at first. Produces creamy white flowers in April and May. Prefers acidic soil.

Pieris 'Forest Flame'

Immensely popular medium to large evergreen shrub whose young leaves are the brightest red of all Pieris, becoming pink, then cream, and finally dark green, with small clusters of bell-shaped white flowers in spring. Prefers acid soil. Will tolerate a shady site.

Pieris japonica 'Little Heath' (v)

A dwarf compact evergreen shrub with small toothed glossy green leaves that have silvery-white margins, pink-flushed when young. White flowers are produced in semi-erect terminal panicles from late winter to early spring.

Pieris japonica 'Little Heath Green'

Dwarf evergreen shrub with glossy green leaves, bronze red when young, and red stems in winter. Prefers acid soil. Will tolerate a shady site.

Pinus mugo (Dwarf or Swiss Mountain Pine)

Medium to large spreading shrubby conifer with very dark green needle-like leaves and brown cones. Ideal for seaside areas. Thrives in poor soil.

Pittosporum eugenoides 'Variegatum' (Lemonwood)

Small evergreen tree, conical when young, becoming rounder with age. Grown for its long glossy leaves with cream or creamy-yellow margins, which are lemon-

scented when crushed, and small fragrant star-shaped greenish-yellow flowers in summer, followed by small brown fruits. Makes a good specimen tree.

Pittosporum tenuifolium

Medium to large evergreen dense rounded shrub grown for its glossy wavy-edged mid-green leaves on purple shoots. It bears honey-scented chocolate-purple flowers in late spring. Popular foliage for flower arranging. It can be trimmed to shape after flowering. Can be used for hedging.

Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Abbotsbury Gold' (f/v)

Medium to large dense rounded evergreen shrub grown for its yellow leaves with irregular green margins which are ideal for flower arranging. Can be trimmed to shape. Prefers a sheltered site.

Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Gold Star'

Small to medium slow-growing compact evergreen shrub, grown for its yellow foliage turning green-yellow variegated on red stems and tiny lilac flowers in late spring. Ideal for a sunny border or low hedge or for a patio. Adds year-round colour to the garden.

Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Silver Magic' (v)

Medium to large dense evergreen shrub grown for its black stems and attractive small silvery-green leaves with pink-tinged green margins. Ideal for a sunny sheltered border. Can be trimmed to shape in spring.

Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Silver Queen' (f/v)

Medium to large dense evergreen shrub grown for its attractive grey-green leaves with irregular white margins. Can be trimmed to shape in spring. Prefers a sunny sheltered site.

Pittosporum tenuifolium 'Tom Thumb'

Small slow-growing neat compact evergreen shrub, forming a low bush of stunning glossy purple foliage. Ideal for a small garden in a sunny site for best leaf colour.

Pleioblastus: see Bamboo

Polemonium yezoense var. hidakanum 'Purple Rain' (Jacob's Ladder)

Medium-sized deciduous perennial grown for its contrasting dark purple leaves and sapphire blue flowers borne in late spring. Ideal for a border or wild garden. Deadhead regularly.

Polystichum: a selection of hardy semi-evergreen ferns are available

Potentilla fruticosa 'Abbotswood'

Small deciduous shrub with small dark blue-green leaves grown for its abundance of pretty pure-white flowers borne over a long season in summer and autumn. They are easy to grow and ideal for a low border.

Potentilla fruticosa 'Goldfinger'

Small to medium deciduous shrub with attractive bright green leaves which set off the profusion of rich yellow flowers which are borne from late spring to late summer. Easy to grow and ideal for a low border.

Potentilla fruticosa 'Red Ace'

Small deciduous shrub with small bright green leaves grown for its profusion of bright scarlet flowers borne from late spring to late summer which fade to orange in sunlight. Easy to grow, ideal for a low border.

Potentilla fruticosa 'Sophie's Blush'

Small deciduous shrub with small grey-green leaves and delightful pink flowers with paler pink edges which are borne from late spring to late summer. Easy to grow, ideal for a low border.

Potentilla nepalensis 'Miss Willmott'

Small clump-forming perennial with attractive mid-green leaves, grown for its masses of cherry-pink flowers, suffused yellow, with darker pink centres, which are borne throughout the summer. Ideal for providing colour in a herbaceous border.

Primula beesiana

Small deciduous candelabra-type primula with rosettes of long mid-green leaves, grown for its profusion of heads of colourful yellow-eyed reddish-pink flowerheads in summer. Prefers a moist site. Ideal for a woodland site, by a pond, or in a bog garden.

Primula bulleyana

Small semi-evergreen perennial Candelabra-type primula with rosettes of long green leaves, grown for its colourful profusion of orange flowerheads in summer, which fade to yellow. Prefers a moist shady site. Ideal for a bog garden, pond or stream-side. Can be grown in a sunny site if the soil is moist.

Primula japonica 'Miller's Crimson' (Japanese Primrose)

A lovely medium-sized candelabra-type perennial grown for its stout stems bearing crimson flowers in late spring. Needs a damp shady site. Ideal for growing in groups by a stream or in a bog garden.

Primula veris (Cowslip)

This lovely small native evergreen perennial with long green leaves is grown for its heads of nodding fragrant deep yellow flowers borne in long-stalked clusters in mid or late spring. Ideal for rock gardens, borders or wildlife gardens. Can be naturalised in grassland.

Prunus 'Okame'

Bushy, deciduous medium-sized tree with dark green leaves, turning an attractive orange-red in autumn. In early spring profuse numbers of attractive pink flowers are borne in clusters.

Prunus incisa 'Kojo-no-mai' (Fuji cherry)

Spreading slow-growing deciduous large shrub or small tree, with long yellow-green leaves which turn mid-green in summer, grown for its profusion of pink to

pale red flowers opening on zig zag shoots from light red buds in very early spring. Ideal specimen tree.

Prunus laurocerasus (Common or Cherry Laurel)

Large evergreen dense bushy shrub with large glossy bright green leaves. It has long spikes of small single white fragrant flowers followed by cherry-like red fruits which turn black - the kernels are harmful if eaten. Excellent for hedging, plant 2 to 3 feet apart. Can be cut back hard in spring.

Pseudosasa: see Bamboo

Pyracantha 'Mohave'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with glossy green leaves on spiny branches and small white flowers in summer, followed by clusters of reddish-orange berries throughout the winter. Ideal wall shrub or vandal-resistant hedge plant which attracts birds and bees to the garden.

Pyracantha 'Saphyr Rouge'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with glossy green leaves on spiny branches and small white flowers in summer, followed by a profusion of bright yellow berries throughout the winter. Ideal wall shrub or vandal resistant hedge plant which attracts birds and bees to the garden.

Pyracantha coccinea 'Red Column'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub of upright habit with reddish shoots and glossy green leaves on spiny branches. Small white flowers in summer are followed by clusters of scarlet berries throughout the winter. Ideal wall shrub or vandal-resistant hedge plant which attracts birds and bees to the garden.

Ranunculus ficaria 'Brazen Hussy' (Lesser Celandine)

Stunning small perennial grown for its glossy deep chocolate-brown leaves and shining golden yellow flowers produced in early spring. Ideal for a shady woodland site. Leaves die down after flowering in summer.

Rhododendron: a small selection of small to medium sized evergreen varieties is available

Ribes sanguineum 'Pulborough Scarlet' (Flowering Currant)

Medium to large deciduous shrub grown for its clusters of small dark red flowers in early spring. Ideal for the mixed border to bring early colour to the garden. Very reliable flowerer which will grow in any situation.

Rodgersia pinnata

Medium-sized perennial grown for its large, heavily-veined, glossy dark green leaves with reddish-green stalks. Produces star-shaped white-pink flowers in mid to late summer. Prefers moist soil in full sun or partial shade. Excellent near water or for woodland gardens.

Rosmarinus officinalis (Common Rosemary)

Small to medium evergreen shrub with highly aromatic needle-like grey-green leaves. Small purplish-blue flowers appear along the stems from mid-spring to early summer and often again in autumn. Ideal for the cottage or herb garden. It has herbal and culinary uses. Prefers a dry site. Best pruned straight after flowering to keep tidy.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Miss Jessopp's Upright'

Small to medium evergreen upright shrub with highly aromatic needle-like dark green leaves. Small blue flowers appear along the stems from mid-spring to early summer and often again in autumn. Ideal for the cottage or herb garden with herbal and culinary uses. Its upright habit makes it a good choice for hedging. Prefers a sunny, dry sheltered site. Best pruned straight after flowering to keep tidy.

Rosmarinus officinalis Prostratus group (lavandulaceus)

Low-growing evergreen shrub with highly aromatic needle-like grey-green leaves and small blue flowers in late spring and early summer. Ideal for the cottage or herb garden. It has herbal and culinary uses. Prefers a sunny, dry site. Best pruned straight after flowering to keep tidy.

Rudbeckia fulgida var. sullivantii 'Goldsturm' (Coneflower)

Small to medium upright perennial, grown for its masses of daisy-like golden flowerheads with black centres which appear in late summer and autumn. Ideal for an eye-catching display with a cottage garden effect. Good for cut flowers.

Salvia microphylla var. microphylla

Medium evergreen shrub, grown for its beautiful bright crimson, magenta, pink or purple flowers, which appear in late summer and autumn. Ideal for a sunny border, light woodland or wildflower meadow. Attractive to bees.

Salvia officinalis (Common Sage)

Small evergreen shrub with highly aromatic grey-green leaves and pretty lilac-blue flowers in early and mid-summer. Ideal for cottage garden and herb garden. Attractive to bees. Prefers a sunny site.

Salvia sclarea 'Vatican White' (White clary sage)

Medium-sized deciduous perennial grown for its very attractive tall spikes of pure white flowers in early and mid summer. Ideal for a sunny border or wildflower meadow. Attractive to bees.

Salvia uliginosa 'African Skies' (Bog Sage)

Clump-forming moisture-loving deciduous perennial which grows to a height of 5 feet. It is grown for its beautiful sky-blue flowers borne from late summer to mid-autumn. Prefers a moist sunny site. Ideal for the back of a damp border. Protect from frosts.

Sambucus nigra 'Eva' (syn.' Black Lace')

Large deciduous bushy shrub, grown for its striking purple-black glossy deeply-cut foliage and pink-tinged flowerheads in early summer, followed by glossy black elderberry fruits.

Santolina chamaecyparissus (Cotton Lavender)

Small evergreen mound-forming aromatic shrub with silvery grey-green feathery foliage and dainty button-like yellow flowerheads in mid and late summer. Prefers a hot dry site in well-drained soil. Best pruned each year after flowering.

Santolina rosmarinifolia (Holy Flax)

Small evergreen mound-forming aromatic shrub with vivid green feathery foliage which contrasts beautifully with the bright yellow button-like flowerheads in mid-summer. Prefers a hot dry site in well-drained soil. Best pruned each year after flowering.

Sasa veitchii

Small spreading bamboo, often with purple canes, grown for its long flossy dark green leaves which in winter have very attractive distinctive cream withered leaf margins, which look like variegation. Attractive in groups. Ideal for large ground cover planting, will thrive in most situations.

Sedum 'Bertram Anderson'

Small mat-forming perennial with blue-grey fleshy leaves which contrast well with the small dusky pink flowers produced in late summer. Ideal for rockeries and dry borders. Prefers sunny well-drained site. Dies down underground in winter.

Sedum 'Ruby Glow'

Small mound-forming perennial with attractive grey-blue foliage which contrasts well with the dense heads of ruby-red flowers produced in summer. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. The top dies off in winter.

Sedum acre var. majus (Stonecrop)

Small evergreen mat-forming perennial with fleshy bright green leaves. The tops of the plants are smothered with bright yellow star-like flowers in May. Ideal for rockeries, walls and dry sunny sites.

Sedum spathulifolium 'Cape Blanco'

Small mat-forming evergreen perennial, grown for its attractive silvery-grey fleshy leaves and attractive star-shaped bright yellow flowers in summer. Ideal for rockeries or the front of borders in a sunny well-drained site.

Sedum spectabile (Ice Plant)

Small clump-forming upright perennial with fleshy grey-green leaves. It is grown for its flat heads of star-shaped rose pink flowers in late summer which are highly attractive to butterflies and bees. The top dies off in winter.

Sedum spurium 'Voodoo'

Small semi-evergreen mat-forming perennial with small reddish-mauve fleshy leaves. Rounded heads of tiny clusters of star-shaped reddish-pink flowers are produced in summer. Ideal rockery or wall plant or for an alpine sink.

Sedum telephium 'Purple Emperor'

Attractive perennial growing to a height of 18 inches. It is grown for its dark purple-red, almost black, fleshy leaves, silver-blue when young and its unusual heads of dusky-red flowers produced in summer. Ideal contrast for a mixed border. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. The top dies off in winter.

Sedum spurium 'Tricolor (v) syn. 'Variegatum'

Attractive small evergreen mat-forming perennial, grown for its attractive pink-tinged green leaves with cream margins, borne on red stems, and charming pink flowers produced from July to September. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. Ideal for a rock garden, or the front of a border.

Sedum ussuriense 'Vera Jameson'

Small deciduous perennial with spreading purple stems. Grown for its purple-grey leaves which are almost pink at flowering time, and its delightful star-shaped soft rose-pink-purple flowers in late summer and autumn. Prefers a sunny well-drained site. Ideal for rockeries or front of borders.

Schizophragma hydrangeoides 'Roseum'

Large deciduous climber with dark green leaves grown for its large showy pink and creamy white flowerheads which are similar to those of a lacecap hydrangea and are borne in midsummer. Best grown against a wall, fence or large tree. Tie in a train until established.

Schizostylis 'Pink Princess (Pink Kaffir Lily)

Attractive small evergreen perennial grown for its showy gladiolus-like spikes of pale pink flowers with darker pink streaks, which are borne from late summer to early winter and add colour to the garden at the end of the season. Ideal for the front of a mixed or herbaceous border. Grows well in a sunny sheltered site. Can be divided in spring.

Schizostylis coccinea 'Fenland Daybreak'

Attractive small to medium evergreen perennial, forming a slowly spreading clump, with tall narrow green leaves, and delicate showy gladiolus-like orange-pink spikes from late summer to early autumn. Adds colour to the garden at end of season. Ideal for the front of a mixed or herbaceous border. Grows well in a sunny sheltered site. Can be divided in spring.

Sisyrinchium striatum

Small evergreen clump-forming perennial with long narrow grey-green leaves, grown for its lovely cluster of pale yellow flowers from early to mid summer. Prefers a dry sunny site. Ideal for a herbaceous border.

Solanum crispum 'Glasnevin' (Chilean Potato Tree)

Vigorous semi-evergreen climber or large bush grown for its abundance of purple flowers with yellow centres, borne throughout summer and autumn. Needs support if grown as a climber. Ideal for fences, sheds, archways or walls. Avoid exposed sites.

Solanum laxum 'Album' (Potato Vine)

Large semi-evergreen climber grown for its profuse clusters of white jasmine-like flowers in summer and autumn. Needs support and a sheltered sunny site or protected wall.

Sorbus sorbifolia 'Sem'

Small to medium deciduous shrub grown for its highly attractive foliage. The unusual delicate leaves are bronze when young, changing through pale green to dark green throughout the summer. Ideal planted in small groups, or alone in a low border. Looks good in a pot on a patio or balcony.

Spiraea 'Arguta' (Foam of May or Bridal Wreath)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub grown for its clusters of white flowers borne along graceful arching branches in mid and late spring. Trim after flowering.

Spiraea japonica 'Firelight'

Small deciduous shrub with rich deep orange young foliage changing to bright golden throughout the summer. It bears flat heads of deep rose-pink flowers from mid to late summer. Trim after flowering. The foliage contrasts well in a mixed border.

Spiraea japonica 'Goldflame'

Small deciduous shrub with orange young foliage changing to bright golden throughout the summer. It bears flat heads of deep rose pink flowers from mid to late summer. Trim after flowering. The foliage contrasts well in a mixed border.

Spiraea japonica 'Gold Mound'

Dwarf deciduous shrub grown for its unusual lime-green to yellow foliage which forms an attractive mound. It bears flat heads of pale pink flowers in summer. Trim after flowering. The foliage contrasts well in a mixed border.

Spiraea japonica 'Shirobana' (Joseph's Coat)

Small deciduous shrub with green leaves bearing a very unusual mixture of deep pink, light pink and white flowerheads during early summer giving it a spectacular appearance. Trim after flowering.

Stachys byzantina (Lamb's ears)

Small evergreen mat-forming perennial with lovely white-woolly silver-green leaves. From early summer to early autumn it bears spikes of woolly pink-purple flowers. Ideal for edging or ground cover in a sunny site.

Stipa arundinacea (Pheasant's Tail Grass) syn Anemanthele lessoniana

Medium-sized evergreen perennial grass with green leaves which turn a delightful soft orange in late summer. In autumn it bears decorative purplish-green flower spikes. A particularly attractive grass.

Stipa gigantea (Golden Oats or Giant Feather Grass)

Large evergreen clump-forming grass with mid-green leaves. The eye-catching silvery-green spikes, turning golden, are borne on stems up to 4 feet long, and sway gracefully in the breeze. Prefers a sunny site.

Stipa tenuissima (Mexican Feather Grass)

Medium-sized deciduous perennial grass which forms a dense green fountain of hair-like leaves ending in silvery feathery flowers which sway gracefully in the slightest breeze. It blooms continuously from late spring until the first hard frost. It grows best in poor soil and sun.

Tamarix tetrandra (Tamarisk)

Large deciduous shrub or small tree with attractive feathery foliage which bears plume-like cascades of pink flowers in mid and late spring. Useful for a shrub border. May also be used as a windbreak or hedge in exposed coastal areas, and for light sandy soils.

Taxus baccata (Common or English Yew)

Large evergreen conifer with dark green needle-like leaves which makes an excellent hedge and can be pruned to shape or used for topiary. Highly toxic if ingested.

Teucrium fruticans 'Compactum'

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with aromatic silver-grey leaves and pretty pale blue flowers throughout the summer. Needs a sunny sheltered site.

Teucrium hircanicum 'Purple Tails'

Small perennial with green mint-like leaves grown for its long deep rose-purple flower spikes borne throughout the summer, giving a cottage garden effect to your garden. Needs a well-drained sunny site, ideal for a border. Attractive to bees and butterflies.

Teucrium x lucidrys (Wall Germander)

Small evergreen bushy aromatic shrub with small dark green leaves. It is covered with a profusion of rose-pink flowers from July to September. Attractive to bees and butterflies. Grows well in a sunny border. Ideal cottage garden plant.

Tiarella 'Mint Chocolate'

Small clump-forming perennial with striking attractively cut mint-green and chocolate coloured leaves. In spring and summer it bears foamy clouds of spikes of small cream flowers. Ideal ground cover in a woodland garden or shady border.

Trachycarpus fortunei (Chusan or Windmill Palm)

Evergreen palm grown for its striking large fan-shaped green leaves which give that tropical feel to your garden. It bears sprays of small yellow flowers in summer. It is ideal for a specimen tree and small enough to be grown in a restricted area such as a courtyard.

Tricyrtis 'Adbane'

Small herbaceous perennial with shiny spotted leaves, grown for its striking and unusual large pink spotted flowers fading to blue, produced in late summer to early autumn. Prefers partial shade.

Trollius chinensis 'Golden Queen' (Globeflower)

Small to medium perennial grown for its beautiful bowl-shaped buttercup-yellow flowers in spring and summer. Prefers moist soils. Ideal for a border or meadow garden or beside a pond or stream.

Tulbaghia violacea 'Silver Lace' (v)

Small vigorous semi-evergreen clump-forming perennial, which bears lilac-purple or lilac-pink flowerheads in summer and autumn, above a mass of narrow variegated blue-grey leaves.

Uncinia rubra (Hook Sedge)

Small evergreen perennial grass, grown for its striking leaves which vary in colour from greenish-red to rich reddish-brown. Narrow spikes of dark brown to black flowers are produced in mid and late summer. Ideal for the front of a border or a gravel garden.

Verbena 'Homestead Purple'

Small vigorous ground-covering perennial grown for its masses of dark purple flowers borne profusely throughout the summer, contrasting with its dark green foliage. Ideal for containers or for edging a herbaceous border.

Verbena bonariensis

Medium-sized vigorous upright perennial, grown for its beautiful clusters of violet flowers borne on tall stems over a very long period from summer until late autumn. Prefers a sunny sheltered site. Ideal for the back of a border for that cottage garden effect. Cut back hard in spring, self-seeds freely.

Veronica gentianoides 'Tissington White' (Speedwell)

Low-growing mat-forming perennial grown for its attractive upright spikes of white flowers borne in May and June. Prefers a dry site. Ideal for the front of a border for that cottage garden effect.

Viburnum x bodnantense 'Dawn'

Medium-sized deciduous upright shrub with dark green leaves which are bronze when young. Glorious clusters of highly scented rose-tinted pink flowers are freely produced on bare stems from late autumn to early spring. An ideal plant to brighten the winter garden.

Viburnum x burkwoodii

Medium-sized evergreen bushy shrub with shiny dark green leaves. Attractive clusters of very fragrant white flowers open from pink buds in mid and late spring, followed by red fruits. Ideal for a shrub border or woodland garden.

Viburnum davidii

Low-growing evergreen spreading dome-shaped shrub with very large dark green leaves. Heads of tiny white flowers are produced in late spring, followed, if both male and female plants are present, by turquoise-blue egg-shaped fruits on female plants. Ideal for a shrub border or woodland garden.

Viburnum opulus 'Aureum'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with bright yellow leaves which turn green with age. Lacecap-like heads of white flowers are borne in late spring and early summer followed by bright red fruits. Ideal to provide colour in a shrub border or woodland garden. Prefers partial shade as leaves can burn in full sun.

Viburnum opulus 'Roseum' (Sterile) (Snowball Tree)

Large deciduous shrub with green leaves which become purple-tinted in autumn. It is grown for its profusion of white pom-pom like flowers, sometimes turning pink, which are produced in late spring and early summer. As the common name suggests it looks like it is covered in snowballs. Makes a stunning addition to the border or woodland garden.

Viburnum plicatum f. tomentosum 'Mariesii' (Japanese Snowball Bush)

Medium-sized showy deciduous shrub with tiered branches bearing dark green leaves which turn purple-red in autumn. Grown for its large rounded white lacecap flowerheads that cover the branches in late spring and early summer, giving a delightful wedding cake-like effect. A stunning addition to the shrub border or woodland garden.

Viburnum tinus (Laurustinus)

Very popular medium to large evergreen shrub with dense dark green leaves. Masses of flattened clusters of white flowers are borne continuously from late autumn to early spring followed by dark blue/black fruit. Excellent winter flowering shrub which can be used to make an attractive formal hedge.

Viburnum tinus 'Eve Price'

Very popular medium-sized evergreen shrub with dense dark green leaves. It produces masses of carmine buds which open into flattened clusters of pink-tinged white flowers which are borne continually from late autumn to early spring. Ideal winter-flowering shrub for a small garden.

Vinca difformis 'Jenny Pym' (Periwinkle')

Evergreen trailing shrub with large dark glossy green leaves, which contrast well with the display of small pinkish-mauve flowers with white edges borne in late winter and spring. Prefers a well-drained site in sun or shade. Ideal for ground cover in a shrub border, woodland garden or bank. May cause mild stomach upset if ingested.

Vinca minor 'Atropurpurea' (Lesser periwinkle)

Spreading mat-forming evergreen shrub with dark green leaves and lovely dark plum-purple flowers, borne from mid-spring to late autumn. Ideal for an attractive carpet of colour in a woodland garden, shrub border or shady bank. Cut back in early spring. May cause mild stomach upset if ingested.

Vinca minor 'Illumination' (v)

Delightful low-growing evergreen shrub grown for its attractive bright golden and green leaves and mid-blue flowers borne over a long period from spring to autumn. Ideal for ground cover in a woodland garden, shady bank or shrub border.

Vinca minor 'La Grave' (Bowles' variety) (Lesser Periwinkle)

Evergreen spreading shrub grown for its dark green leaves and beautiful lavender-blue flowers borne from spring to autumn. An excellent cottage garden ground cover plant, even under trees, where it will make an extensive carpet. Ideal for a woodland garden, shrub border or bank.

Vitis vinifera 'Brant' (Grape Vine)

Large deciduous climber which bright green leaves which turn an attractive bronze-red with green veins in autumn. Usually grown for its large bunches of edible round blue-black grapes in autumn. Ideal for trellis, pergola or fence, can be grown through a large shrub or tree, or trained against a wall. Prune in midwinter, and again in midsummer if needed to restrict growth.

Vitis coignetiae

Large deciduous climber with enormous heart-shaped dark green leaves which turn a brilliant red in autumn. Small unpalatable blue-black grapes are produced in autumn. Ideal for trellises, pergolas, fences, walls or growing through trees. One of the largest leafed climbers to give a jungle feel to your garden.

Vitis vinifera 'Chardonnay'

Large deciduous climber whose green leaves turn autumn colours before they fall. It is grown for its large edible round white grapes in early autumn, often used for wine-making, but not produced for the first three years. Needs support, pruning and training in order to bear fruit. Ideal for a south-facing trellis, pergola, fence or against a wall. Needs a well-drained site.

Vitis vinifera 'Cabernet Sauvignon'

Large deciduous climber whose green leaves turn autumn colours before they fall. It is grown for its large edible round white grapes in early autumn, often used for wine-making, but not produced for the first three years. Needs support, pruning and training in order to bear fruit. Ideal for a south-facing trellis, pergola, fence or against a wall. Needs a well-drained site.

Vitis vinifera 'Purpurea' (Vine)

Large deciduous climber grown for its spectacular foliage which changes from claret-red to deep wine-purple. It produces small blue-black grapes in autumn which are grown for their ornamental value as they are unpalatable. Ideal for pergolas, trellises, fences or walls.

Weigela 'Bristol Ruby'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with mid-green leaves and abundant tubular ruby-red flowers opening from very dark red buds in late spring and early summer. Prune after flowering. Ideal for a shrub border, hedge or woodland garden.

Weigela 'Florida Variegata' (v)

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with attractive mid-green leaves broadly edged with creamy yellow which retain their freshness throughout the season. In late spring and early summer it bears a profusion of tubular rose-pink flowers. Prune after flowering. Ideal for a shrub border.

Weigela 'Snowflake'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with dark green leaves and tubular pure white flowers in late spring and early summer. Prune after flowering. Ideal for a shrub border.

Weigela florida 'Foliis Purpureis'

Medium-sized deciduous shrub with lovely dark purple leaves contrasting beautifully with the pink funnel-shaped flowers. Prune after flowering. Ideal for a shrub border, it is one of the best purple-foliaged plants for general planting.

Wisteria sinensis (seedling) (Chinese Wisteria)

Large deciduous twining climber grown for its beautiful hanging trails of long lilac blue flowers in early summer. Requires full sun for flowering but may not flower for several years. Ideal for south-facing walls, archways, pergolas, or growing against buildings and trees.

Yucca filamentosa (Adam's Needle)

Medium-sized evergreen shrub with long, dark green, sword-shaped leaves and tall spikes bearing heads of nodding, bell-shaped white flowers in mid and late summer. Makes a stunning architectural plant. Prefers a sunny site.

Yucca gloriosa 'Variegata' (v)

Small evergreen clump-forming shrub with broad stiff dark grey-green leaves edged cream in spiky rosettes. Spikes of ivory bell-like flowers on long stalks any time between July and November. Prefers a sunny well-drained site.

Zantedeschia aethiopica (Arum Lily)

Spectacular medium-sized perennial, which is evergreen in mild areas and has large arrow-shaped glossy bright green leaves. Grown for its large trumpet-shaped white flowers from spring to mid-summer. Widely used by florists. Adds an exotic tropical feel to the garden. Prefers a moist site and a thick winter mulch to protect the crown. May cause a mild stomach upset if ingested, contact with sap may irritate the skin.

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- 1 **GENERAL**
These terms and conditions apply in preference to and supersede any terms and conditions referred to, offered or relied on by the Wholesale Customer, whether in negotiation or at any stage in the dealings between SWOP and the Wholesale customer, with reference to the goods to which the contract relates. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, SWOP will not be bound by any standard or printed terms furnished by the Wholesale Customer in any of its documents.
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The description of the goods has been given by way of identification only and the use of such description shall not constitute a sale by description.
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Notwithstanding that a sample of the goods has been exhibited to and inspected by the Wholesale Customer, it is declared that such sample was exhibited and inspected solely to enable the buyer to judge for himself the quality of the plant specified and not so as to constitute a sale by sample.
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Most plants are grown in 2 litre pots and supplied with an indelible printed pot label.
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All plants listed are offered subject to availability on receipt of order.
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