

Welcome to our 2008 newsletters

This month, as promised, we introduce a full list of new varieties we can offer for sale this year...

We are really excited to be able to bring you over
700 varieties for sale for 2008

We have **added 343 varieties to our collection**

We have **117 new varieties to offer for sale**
(both new to, and existing varieties from, our collection)

Varieties newly available from our collection

A Many-splendored Thing
Alligator Shoes
American Sweetheart
Arc de Triomphe
Bizarre
Blue Blush
Blue River
Bob Deane
Brother Stephan
Camelot
Cheatin Heart
Choo Choo Train
Christmas Pageant
Climax
Cotillion
Dark Star
Day's End
Dragon Tails
Eleanor Lachman
Essence of Summer
Eternal Flame
Fantasy Island
Fujibotan
Grand Canyon
Grey Ghost
Hampshire County
Hanky Panky
Heat Wave
Hi Ho Silver
High Society
Hoosier Dome

Varieties new to our collection and also available for sale

All That Jazz
American Icon
Bedford Blue
Border Favourite
Chesapeake Bay
Country Mouse
Dark Shadows
Designer Genes
Elkheart Lake
Emerald Ruff Cut
First Mate
Golden Meadows
Great Escape
Green Mouse Ears
Hollywood Lights
hypoleuca
Hyuga Urajiro
Imp
Journey's End
Juha
Kalamazoo
Komodo Dragon
Lakeside Beach Captain
Lakeside Dragonfly
Lakeside Shore Master
Let Me Entertain You
Little Jay
Little Red Joy
Miss Ruby
Miss Tokyo
Mourning Dove

So much to show - so little space...

The desire to keep this newsletter short means you will have to **click on the varieties in the lists to see the details.**

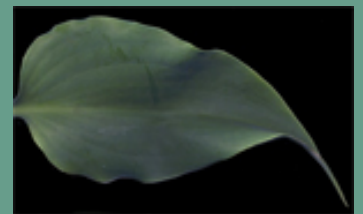
Alternatively just wander into the Collection via the **master list for 2008** to see more...

Having already given a few hints to the lovelies we will have for sale this year, we have selected another handful to highlight for specific reasons:



Sea Gulf Stream

This variety is simply stunning with its large, gold, piecrust-edged leaves.



Lederhosen

This lovely variety has very smoky leaves that twist at the tip, it also has fragrant lavender flowers.

Key Lime Pie
 Lederhosen
 Little Red Rooster
 Lullabye
 Magic Fire
 Manhattan
 Mardis Gras
 Marge
 Medusa
 Memories of Dorothy
 Mister Watson
 Mount Tom
 Muffie
 O'Harra
 Ophir
 Percy
 Popcorn
 Queen of the Seas
 Quill
 Radio Waves
 Rain Forest
 Raspberry Sorbet
 Reptillian
 Saint Paul
 Sea Gulf Stream
 Secret Love
 Shiny Penny
 Silver Bay
 Southern Gold
 Spring Fling
 Step Sister
 Sun Catcher
 Sweet Tater Pie
 T. Rex
 Tom Thumb
 Tortifrons
 Tremors
 Verna Jean
 Warwick Comet
 Yin

Nancy
 Nightlife
 Paradise Island
 Purple Boots
 Rainbow's End
 Red Cadet
 Restless Sea
 Small Parts
 Sugar and Spice
 Sun Worshipper
 Sweet Innocence
 Valley's Chute the Chute
 Valley's Vanilla Sticks
 White Dove
 Yesterday's Memories

Alongside the listed varieties, there are many more new additions to our collection - see the updated [Collection listing for 2008](#) and the various listings we create to help you choose specific varieties.

2007 was an excellent year and it enabled us to splash out on many more new varieties than we usually select. Naturally this has meant a lot of work to update the website and listings for 2008, and we will have a lot of leaf images to capture over the summer. BUT that is not a hardship when compared to having to decide which varieties will have to stay behind at the nursery because we cannot fit everything onto the lorry for the shows!

Hope you enjoy browsing all these lovely new varieties.



Popcorn

Visitors to the Harrogate Autumn Show last year were able to see this lovely new variety in our display.



Essence of Summer

The leaves on this variety are fabulously showy and it has near white, fragrant flowers.



Magic Fire

We are delighted to be able to offer this sport of Sagae with its glorious colouring.



Raspberry Sorbet

This lovely hosta has shiny leaves, red petioles and deep purple flowers with white margins - a beautiful combination.

PSST... you will notice some new varieties are more expensive this year.

That is because new varieties are costing us more to obtain. Our average price per plant remains the same as last year so you know you are getting excellent value across the whole range of our sales stock.

Next month: The 2008 show season: where we will be and when...

The advice and opinions contained within this monthly newsletter have been formed over more than 30 years of experience with the Hosta genus. We are constantly learning and refining that knowledge and would welcome any suggestions that readers of this newsletter would like to make so please [contact us](#).

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