
2025 Cultivar Trials of Bedding Plants



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Introduction

Performance trials were conducted on over 200 bedding plants in the Horticultural Demonstration and Research plots, part of the Department of Plant Sciences at North Dakota State University.

The research area is located on the corner of 12th Ave. and 18 St. N on the west edge of the NDSU campus. This area is for education, research and display purposes and is open to the public, free of charge, throughout the growing season. Visitors can walk through on their own or request a guided tour. Contact information for the gardens is located on page 9.

Garden Areas

Bedding Plant Trials-full sun: These gardens are located directly off the small parking area on the east side of the gardens. This is an official display garden of All-America Selections (AAS); more information on this organization is on page 9. Shade annuals are planted in the shade area.



September

Accessibility Garden: These raised beds are designed for gardeners who may be wheelchair bound or otherwise unable to bend or garden in ground level beds. This area is located directly off the parking area adjacent to 18th Street. *Celosia*, *Petunias*, *Euphorbia*, *Rudbeckia*, *Verbena*, Fountain Grass and *Melinis* were planted here in 2025.



July



September

Meadow Garden: This area consists of grasses and forbs native to the prairies of the upper Midwest. *Schizachyrium* (little bluestem), *Sporobolus* (prairie drop seed), *Stipa* (needle grass), *Echinacea* (coneflowers), *Symphyotrichum* (asters), *Liatris* (blazing stars) and *Geum* (prairie smoke) are some of the plants in this area.



August

Shade planting: This is a dry, shady area located within a grove of poplar and pine trees. Many of the poplar trees had become diseased and were dying so in August, 8 of them were removed. Smaller, replacement trees have been planted in this area to compensate for the loss. Annual and perennial plants are here.



September-after tree removal



August-Impatiens

Perennial Ornamental Grasses: Both native and non-native perennial grasses are here. Genera include *Schizachyrium* (little bluestem), *Calamagrostis* (feather reed grass), *Miscanthus* (Japanese silver grass) and *Andropogon* (big bluestem).



August

Xeric Planting: This area consists of plants that are low maintenance and require less water once established. *Salvia yangii* (Russian sage), *Echinacea*, *Nepeta* (catmint) and *Baptisia* (false indigo) are some of the genera represented.



July

Sun/Shade perennials: This area receives both sun and shade so it includes perennials that are tolerant of different light conditions. Some genera here, such as *Hosta* cultivars, are also planted in the shade area.



August

Darwin Perennials hardiness trials: Darwin Perennials (a division of Ball Horticultural Company) has been sending perennials to the NDSU horticulture gardens since 2015 to evaluate for cold hardiness. Genera that may be borderline here (zone 5 or above) are also included in the annual trials. *Echinacea*, *Veronica* (speedwell), *Hylotelephium* (sedum), *Aquilegia* (columbine) and *Salvia* (sage) are some of the genera that have been tested.



Penstemon



Aquilegia

Small ornamental shrubs: This area was added in June of 2021. Genera here include *Berberis* (barberry), *Diervilla* (bush honeysuckle), *Physocarpus* (ninebark), *Potentilla* (shrubby cinquefoil), *Spiraea* (spirea), *Syringa* (lilac), and *Weigela* (weigela).



May

Memorial Perennial Plant of the Year Bed: This Perennial Plant Association Perennial Plant of the Year bed (perennialplant.org/page/PPOY) was officially dedicated on July 28, 2023 in memory of Tanya Lita Chalimonczyk who passed away in 2020. Tanya graduated from NDSU with a degree in horticulture in 1978 and continued her gardening journey in Colorado where she was a Master Gardener in Larimer County. Her family is sponsoring this garden to honor her memory.



August

Daylilies: Almost 2000 daylily cultivars are located in this area on the western edge of the gardens. This is an official garden of the American Hemerocallis (Daylily) Society (ADS) and was the First Public American Hemerocallis Society Historic Daylily Display Garden. The majority of the cultivars are historic (registered with the society 30 years prior to the current year). The ADS Region One meetings were in Fargo in July of 2025 and the NDSU horticulture gardens were part of the weekend yard tours.



Visit this area in mid to late July for peak bloom.

Bedding Plant Trials Culture

The plants for the trials were seeded in the horticulture and forestry greenhouse on the NDSU campus from January through April. Specific seeding dates can be found in the report table on pages 10-65. When at the proper stage, seedlings were transplanted into cell packs containing a peat-based growing medium and finished in the greenhouse.

All-America Selections winners *Dianthus* 'Capitán Magnífica' and *Petunia* 'Dekko™ Maxx™ Pink' were received as rooted cuttings on April 17.

Entries from Darwin Perennials were received as rooted cuttings on April 17. Due to their borderline hardiness, the following Darwin entries were also planted into the perennial trials: *Coreopsis* 'Sunfetti Yellow Bicolor', *Gaillardia* 'Guapa Flamenco Bicolor', *Gaillardia* 'Guapa Red', *Miscanthus* 'High Frequency', *Penstemon barbatus* 'Rock Candy®' series, *Penstemon* 'Summit Sweets' series, and *Rudbeckia* 'Suntacular'.

All rooted cuttings were potted into cell packs with the same peat-based growing medium used for the seed started cultivars.

Six to 12 plants of each cultivar were planted into the sun beds and shade beds on June 2 and 4. The All-America Selections bed was planted June 4 while the accessible beds, pots and a few miscellaneous annuals were planted June 6.

Hand weeding was done on a weekly basis but Razor® Pro¹ (glyphosate) was used for spot treating perennial weeds.

Miracle-Gro® Liquafeed 12-4-8 was foliarly applied on June 13, June 27, July 31 and August 15.

Water was applied through drip irrigation (full sun beds) and overhead irrigation (shade beds and All-America Selections bed).

Weather

Temperatures were average in June and August but above average in July. Rainfall was above average in June, below average in July and average in August. A 2" rainfall on August 5 caused flooding in the beds which drowned the *Cobaea* vine. (See picture below.)

Table 1. 2025 and 1991-2020 June-August Average Temperature and Precipitation for Fargo, ND.

	Average Temperature (°F)		Precipitation (inches)	
	2025	1991-2020	2025	1991-2020
June	66	66.8	4.49	4.29
July	73	70.7	1.78	3.07
August	69	68.8	2.62	2.6

Temperature and precipitation data are from NDAWN and the National Climatic Data Center.

Problems

Fungal leaf spotting was a problem in 2025 due to higher than average rainfall in June and warm temperatures in July. No corrective measures were taken and plants grew fine despite the stress. Genera most affected were *Antirrhinum* (Snapdragons), *Gomphrena*, *Zinnia*, *Celosia*, *Euphorbia*, *Penstemon* and *Salvia*.

Thirteen-lined ground squirrels were also causing problems throughout the gardens with their tunneling.



August flooding



Thirteen-lined ground squirrel in accessible bed

Both photos courtesy Shauna Pederson Dubuque

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Annual Garden Day

The annual garden event entitled 'Plants, Local Foods and Outdoor Spaces' was held on July 29. This year, the event highlighted 20 years of the gardens in their current location. The day included a free garden workshop with talks in the early afternoon, tours of the gardens and informational seminars in the late afternoon and a jazz trio providing music in the early evening. As in years past, willing attendees were given pink flags to mark their two favorite sun annuals. Almost 200 total flags were put out this year. Many cultivars received 1-2 flags but our winner, Lisianthus 'Echo Mix', received 26 votes. In the report table, a pink flag with a number indicates the cultivars that received votes and how many.



Evaluation Information

Plants were evaluated July 30 and September 2. Measurements for average height and spread were taken and plants were observed for general overall performance. Measurements and notes for each cultivar can be found on pages 10-65. Stars in the corners of the photos in the report indicate a top performer during that evaluation time.

The following cultivars received stars for **both** evaluation times and are considered star (superior) performers.

2025 Star Performers (listed alphabetically by genus):	
<i>Celosia</i> 'Burning Embers'	<i>Petunia</i> 'Shock Wave® Tie Dye Purple'
<i>Cleome</i> 'Queen Mix'	<i>Petunia</i> 'Tickled Pink'
<i>Hibiscus</i> 'Mahogany Splendor'	<i>Plectranthus</i> (Coleus) 'Premium Sun Coral Candy'
<i>Ipomoea</i> 'Blackie'	<i>Rudbeckia</i> 'Prairie Sun'
<i>Ipomoea</i> 'Bright Ideas Cordate Rusty'	<i>Salvia farinacea</i> 'Evolution Violet'
<i>Ipomoea</i> 'Margarita'	<i>Salvia farinacea</i> 'Evolution White'
<i>Ipomoea</i> 'Sidekick Black'	<i>Salvia farinacea</i> 'Fairy Queen'
<i>Pennisetum</i> -Fountain Grass	<i>Salvia farinacea</i> 'Victoria Blue'
<i>Petunia</i> 'Dekko™ Maxx™ Pink'	<i>Salvia viridis</i> 'Pink Sundae'
<i>Petunia</i> 'Easy Wave™ Burgundy Velour'	<i>Tagetes</i> (American Marigold) 'Park's Whopper Mix'
<i>Petunia</i> 'Easy Wave™ Pink Passion'	<i>Tagetes</i> (American Marigold) 'Siam Gold'
<i>Petunia</i> 'Easy Wave™ Yellow'	<i>Verbena bonariensis</i>
<i>Petunia</i> 'FlashForward™ Blue'	<i>Verbena bonariensis</i> 'Vanity'
<i>Petunia</i> 'Pinkie Pop'	

All-America Selections

The NDSU trial garden is an official display garden of All-America Selections (AAS). AAS was founded in 1932 as a way for home gardeners to learn about new and improved cultivars of flowers and vegetables. AAS winners are usually superior cultivars that have been tested in a variety of locations across the United States and Canada. At NDSU, winning cultivars are grown in both the bedding plant trials and a separate garden dedicated solely to AAS winners (pictured below). For more information visit: all-americaselections.org

Here are the AAS winners planted in the NDSU trials in 2025:

2022 Winners :	2025 Winners:
<i>Celosia</i> 'Flamma Orange'	Dahlia 'Black Forest Ruby'
<i>Verbena</i> 'Vanity'	Dianthus 'Capitán Magnífico'
2023 Winners:	Marigold 'Mango Tango'
Snapdragon 'DoubleShot™ Orange Bicolor'	Petunia 'Shake Raspberry'
Coleus 'Premium Sun Coral Candy'	Petunia 'Dekko™ Maxx™ Pink'
2024 Winners:	Snapdragon 'DoubleShot™ Yellow Red Heart'
<i>Celosia</i> 'Burning Embers'	<i>Tropaeolum</i> (Nasturtium) 'Baby Gold'
<i>Impatiens</i> 'Solarscape XL Pink Jewel'	<i>Tropaeolum</i> (Nasturtium) 'Baby Red'
Geranium 'Big EEZE Pink Batik'	<i>Tropaeolum</i> (Nasturtium) 'Baby Yellow'
Marigold 'Siam Gold'	Zinnia 'Zydeco™ Fire'
<i>Verbena</i> 'Sweetheart Kisses'	



June



September

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Contact Information

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Ageratum houstonianum 'Aloha Blue'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 14-15"

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Sept. 2 Height: 8-9" Spread: 16-24"

Six plants were in the trials. They looked good all season but the bloom was especially nice late August into early September. *Ageratum* were seeded March 27.

Amaranthus caudatus 'Coral Fountain'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 30" Spread: 28-30"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 36"

Six plants were in the trials. These had very good bloom and vigor but were very large. All *Amaranthus* were seeded in the greenhouse on April 3.

Amaranthus cruentus 'Hot Biscuits'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 36-40" Spread: 36"



Sept. 2 Height: 48+" Spread: to 40"

Six plants were in the trials but one was eaten by a rabbit shortly after planting. These plants were very large with good bloom and vigor.

Amaranthus cruentus 'Red Spike'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 40" Spread: to 40"

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Sept. 2 Height: 48+" Spread: 40-48"

Six of these were in the trials. They were very large with good bloom and vigor.

Angelonia angustifolia 'Serena® Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: 10-16"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-13" Spread: 18-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had very good bloom and vigor all summer but the spread varied a bit. This *Angelonia* was seeded in the greenhouse on March 10 but then re-seeded on April 17.

Angelonia angustifolia 'Serena® Rose'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 6-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 9-12" Spread: 10-18"

Six of these were in the trials. Bloom was good but the size was not uniform. They were also not as vigorous as the other two *Angelonia*. These were seeded in the greenhouse on April 17.

Angelonia angustifolia 'Serena® White'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 10" Spread: 14-15"

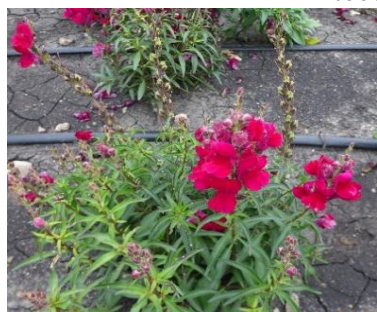


Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 20-22"

Six plants were in the trials. These looked good all summer with good bloom, vigor and size uniformity. They were seeded in the greenhouse on April 17.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'Black Prince'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-20" Spread: 9-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 15-20" Spread: 10-17"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good bloom all summer but developed fungal leaf spots. All snapdragons were seeded in the greenhouse on March 27.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'Double Frappe Light Pink 2'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 23" Spread: 10-11"

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Sept. 2 Height: 20-24" Spread: 12-20"

Six of these were in the trials. They had very good bloom but some plants needed staking. These also had fungal leaf spots.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'DoubleShot™ Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 14" Spread: 8-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 10-16"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well but had fungal leaf spotting.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'DoubleShot™ Orange Bicolor'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 9-12"

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Sept. 2 Height: 14-16" Spread: 12-15"

2023 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. The plants were nice but bloom was best early in the season.



Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'DoubleShot™ Yellow Red Heart'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 12-17" Spread: 10-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 14-18" Spread: 12-15"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. Nice plants that looked best early in the season. Two plants wilted and died before the September evaluation.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'Johnny's Potomac Berry Blend'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 30+'' Spread: 10-12''

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Sept. 2 Height: 30-33'' Spread: 10-14''

Twelve plants were in the trials. These had good bloom early and required staking. Three plants wilted and died by September.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'Monaco Orange'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 30'' Spread: 8-10''



Sept. 2 Height: 24-26'' Spread: 8-10''

Four of these were in the trials. They bloomed well but weren't as vigorous as the other snapdragons.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon) 'Opus™ Appleblossom'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: to 30'' Spread: 8-10''

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Sept. 2 Height: 30-33'' Spread: 10-12''

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was best early but flower spikes needed staking. There was some fungal leaf spotting.

Brassica oleracea (Ornamental Kale) 'Crane Pink Hybrid'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 14-16'' Spread: 16-18''

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Sept. 2 Height: 15-18'' Spread: 18-22''

Six plants were in the trials. They did well but the temperatures didn't get low enough for the pink color to form. These were seeded in the greenhouse on March 27.

Capsicum annuum (Ornamental Pepper) 'NuMex Easter'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-10" Spread: 15-17"

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Sept. 2 Height: 9-12" Spread: 12-20"

Six plants were in the trials. These had good vigor with good pepper production but there were some size differences. The peppers were started in the greenhouse on March 10.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Cora® Cascade Polka Dot'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-7" Spread: 13-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: 20-24"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season but weren't as floriferous as other vinca. All vinca were started in the greenhouse on March 10.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Cora® XDR Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 9-11" Spread: 12-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-13" Spread: 18-22"

Ten plants were in the trials. They did well all season but looked especially nice in the late summer.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Pacifica Burgundy Halo'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 9-11" Spread: 13-15"

3



Sept. 2 Height: 11-13" Spread: 22-25"

Six plants were in the trials. They did well all season but one of the plants was wilting by the end of August.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Pacifica Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 9-11" Spread: 13-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-14" Spread: 20-24"

Eleven plants were in the trials but one was small and died. All other plants were healthy and vigorous with good bloom all summer.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Tattoo™ Black Cherry'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-10" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-12" Spread: 15-16"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom and vigor.

Catharanthus roseus (Vinca) 'Tattoo™ Tangerine'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 7" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 9-10" Spread: 14-15"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom and vigor.

Celosia argentea 'Bright Sparks™ Mix' (plumosa group)

seed source: Park Seed

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July 30 Height: 13-22" Spread: 10-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 15-26" Spread: 12-23"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had really good bloom and vigor all season but there were variations in sizes. All *Celosia* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 20.

Celosia argentea 'Burning Embers' (plumosa group)

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 11-13" Spread: 11-12"

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Sept. 2 Height: 14-16" Spread: 15-16"

2024 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Celosia argentea 'Celway™ Purple' (spicata group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 26-28" Spread: 19-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 31-34" Spread: 25-26"

Six plants were in the trials. These were just starting to bloom by the end of July. By September they were vigorous and full of flowers.

Celosia argentea 'Celway™ Terracotta' (spicata group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 23-25" Spread: 20-22"



Sept. 2 Height: 23-30" Spread: 23-26"

Six plants were in the trials. They were just starting to bloom by the end of July. Bloom was good by September but plants were crowded by the fountain grass and the celosia ('Flamingo Purple') next to it.

Celosia argentea 'Flamingo Purple' (spicata group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 28-30" Spread: 28-30"



Sept. 2 Height: 35-40" Spread: 26-30"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good bloom and vigor but fungal leaf spots were bad, especially in July.

Celosia argentea 'Flamma Orange' (plumosa group)

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 9-18" Spread: 9-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-20" Spread: 12-24"

2022 All-America Selections (AAS) Flowers From Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. They did well but some plants were much bigger than the others.

Celosia argentea 'Shimmer Mix' (plumosa group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 23-31" Spread: 18-24"



Sept. 2 Height: 36-42" Spread: 36-40"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They were slow to bloom but looked very nice by the end of August.

Celosia argentea 'Sunday™ Mix' (plumosa group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 13-24" Spread: 12-17"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-36" Spread: 15-24"

Twelve plants were in the trials. There was good bloom and color mix but the sizes weren't uniform. There was also fungal leaf spotting, especially on the red leaf ones.

Celosia argentea 'Sylphid' (plumosa group)

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 22-24" Spread: 16-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 36-40" Spread: 24-30"

Six plants were in the trials. Plants had good vigor and bloom but the color was a bit dull.

Centaurea cyanus 'Choice Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 26-30" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 28-30" Spread: 22-24"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season but bloom declined a bit by September. This attracted a lot of pollinators. *Centaurea* was seeded in the greenhouse on April 10.

Centaurea cyanus 'The Bride'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 16-33" Spread: 13-14"

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Sept. 2 Height: 16" Spread: 20"

Six plants were in the trials but there was only one left by September. The blooms were a nice, bright white.

Centaurea ragusina 'Silver Swirl'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 6-7" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 7-10" Spread: 8-14"

Twelve of these were in the trials. They did alright but there were some size differences. Rooted cuttings were received April 17th.

Cleome hassleriana 'Queen Mix'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 40+" Spread: 28-30"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 44" Spread: to 36"

Six plants were in the trials. Despite being a mix, there were only lavender plants. Plants were vigorous, floriferous and uniform all season. *Cleome* was seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.



Coreopsis hybrida 'Sunfetti Yellow Bicolor'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 13-14" Spread: 16-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 14-16" Spread: 16-24"

Six plants were in the trials. This was very nice in July with good bloom and vigor. There wasn't much bloom by September and sizes varied. Rooted cuttings were received on April 17.

Cuphea llavea 'Sriracha™ Rose'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 17-19"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-21" Spread: to 26"

Six of these were in the trials. They did well all season but bloom had declined a bit by September. *Cuphea* were started in the greenhouse on March 27.

Cuphea procumbens 'Sweet Talk Lavender Splash'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 13-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 14-15" Spread: 15-18"

Six of these were in the trials. Bloom was better in July than September. This was the least vigorous of the 'Sweet Talk' *Cuphea*.

Cuphea procumbens 'Sweet Talk Pink Deep'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 15-17"



Sept. 2 Height: 16-18" Spread: to 26"

Six of these were in the trials. They were nice all season but bloom declined by September.

Cuphea procumbens 'Sweet Talk Red'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 15-16" Spread: 13-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 16-18" Spread: to 26"

Six of these were in the trials. They were nice all season but bloom declined by September.

Dahlia x hybrida 'Black Forest Ruby'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 17-26" Spread: 14-21"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 30" Spread: 20-30"



2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flowers From Seed Winner. Eleven of these were in the trials. They had good vigor and a unique color combination but size varied. All *Dahlia* were seeded on March 10.

Dahlia x hybrida 'Figaro Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 17-21"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 18-20"

Four plants were in the trials. They did well all season.

Dahlia x hybrida 'Giant Hybrid Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seed



July 30 Height: 18-36" Spread: 12-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 42" Spread: to 24"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These large dahlias did well but some fell over and needed staking. They had a nice mix of colors but sizes varied.

Dianthus barbatus 'Dart Pink Magician'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 5-7"

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Sept. 2 Height: 3-4" Spread: 3-4"

Six plants were in the trials. Plants were small and bloom was better in July than August. *Dianthus* were started in the greenhouse on March 10.

Dianthus barbatus 'Dart Purple'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 7-8" Spread: 8-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 7-8" Spread: 7-8"

Six plants were in the trials. This was the nicest of the 'Dart' *Dianthus*. It had more vigor and blooms than the others.

Dianthus barbatus 'Dart Red White Picotee'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 4-6"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-5" Spread: 4-5"

Six plants were in the trials. This was the smallest 'Dart' *Dianthus*. It wasn't very vigorous and bloom wasn't great.

Dianthus barbatus 'Dart Scarlet'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 7-8" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-8" Spread: 5-9"

Six plants were in the trials. Vigor on this was better than other 'Dart' *Dianthus*. Bloom was good in July with a decline by September. Size wasn't uniform, especially by September.

Dianthus barbatus 'Dart White'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-5" Spread: 6-8"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-6" Spread: 6-8"

Six plants were in the trials. These were small without much vigor.



Dianthus interspecific 'Rockin'™ Pink Magic'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 15-16" Spread: 13-16"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 8-12"

Six plants were in the trials. They were very nice through July with good bloom and vigor. By September bloom had declined and there were some size differences.

Dianthus interspecific 'Supra Pink'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 7-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-8" Spread: 4-9"

Six plants were in the trials. They had nice bloom through July with good vigor but there was a decline in bloom by September.



Dianthus interspecific 'Capitán™ Magnifica'

plant source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 7-8" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: 8-10"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flowers from Cuttings Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. These were nice little plants with good bloom and size uniformity. Rooted cuttings were received April 17th.

Echinacea x hybrida 'Cheyenne Spirit'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seed



July 30 Height: 11-14" Spread: 9-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-20" Spread: 11-20"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They were just starting to bloom by the July evaluation. Bloom and size were not uniform but vigor was good. *Echinacea* were seeded on January 24.

Echinacea x hybrida 'Paradiso Tall Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seed



July 30 Height: 10-20" Spread: 8-13"



Sept. 2 Height: 22-30" Spread: to 20"

Ten of these were in the trials. They were just starting to bloom by the end of July. Bloom and size were not uniform.

Eucalyptus cinerea 'Silver Dollar'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 30" Spread: 8-12"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 30"

Six plants were in the trials. The stems were floppy and needed staking. The color was a nice blue-gray-green. *Eucalyptus* were seeded in the greenhouse on January 24.

Eucalyptus kruseana 'Book-leaf Mallee'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 24-26" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 34" Spread: to 32"

Six plants were in the trials. This eucalyptus didn't need staking.

Eucalyptus pulverulenta 'Baby Blue'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 24" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: to 30" Spread: to 30"

Six plants were in the trials. The stems were floppy and needed staking.

Euphorbia marginata -Mountain Snow

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 33-35" Spread: to 24"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 48" Spread: to 36"

There were six of these in the trials. They did well but had some fungal leaf spots in July. They tend to fall over so all of them were caged to keep them up. They were seeded in the greenhouse on February 10.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Arena III Baby Pink'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 21-23" Spread: 8-10"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-24" Spread: 8-12"

Six plants were in the trials. These had great bloom all season. This was one of the few groups that did not need staking this year. All *Eustoma* were seeded in the greenhouse on January 24.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Cessna Rose'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 14-28" Spread: 6-8"

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Sept. 2 Height: 20-24" Spread: 8-10"

Two of these were in the trials. They bloomed well but there were some size differences early.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Doublini Blue'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 4-5"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 5-7"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good bloom in July but it wasn't as nice in September.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Doublini White'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 4-5"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 5-8"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was better in July than September.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Echo Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: 8-10"

Twelve of these were in the trials. These had to be staked after a heavy rain caused the stems to fall over. This got the most votes during our garden day on July 29.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'LisAdora® Apricot III'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 20" Spread: 6-8"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: 8-10"

Six of these were in the trials. These had to be staked due to rain causing the stems to fall over. Bloom was best in July; the color became washed out by September.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Mariachi Pure White'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: 6-8"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 22" Spread: 8-10"

Six of these were in the trials. They looked best in July. By September bloom and vigor had declined.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Minilisi® Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 6-8"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-15" Spread: 6-8"

Twelve plants were in the trials. Lots of miniature blossoms on these plants but stems were falling over.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Rosanne Black Pearl'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 19" Spread: 8-10"

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Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 9-11"

Six plants were in the trials. These bloomed best in July with a decline by September. They had to be staked.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Voyage 2 Blue'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 23" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: to 24" Spread: to 10"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was best in July and these plants had to be staked.

Eustoma grandiflorum (Lisianthus) 'Voyage 2 First Love'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 23" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: 8-10"

Six plants were in the trials. These had good bloom and vigor all season. Three of these plants needed staking.

Gaillardia aristata 'Guapa Flamenco Bicolor'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 11-12" Spread: 18"



Sept. 2 Height: to 15" Spread: to 24"

Six plants were in the trials. One plant was dying by September but the rest were uniform and vigorous with good bloom. *Gaillardia* rooted cuttings were received on April 17.

Gaillardia aristata 'Guapa Red'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 10-11" Spread: to 18"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: to 24"

Six plants were in the trials. They performed well all season.

Gaura lindheimeri 'Sparkle White'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 25" Spread: 24-26"



Sept. 2 Height: to 30" Spread: 25-30"

Six plants were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity. *Gaura* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Gomphrena globosa 'Audray Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 16-18" Spread: 15-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-24" Spread: 22-24"

Twelve of these were in the trials. They had good bloom and vigor all season. Fungal leaf spotting was seen in July but was better by September. All *Gomphrena* were seeded in the greenhouse April 3.

Gomphrena globosa 'Fireworks'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: to 26" Spread: to 36"



Sept. 2 Height: 30-32" Spread: to 48"

Six plants were in the trials. These were sickly looking in July with fungal leaf spots but looked very good by September with good bloom and vigor.

Gomphrena globosa 'QIS™ Carmine'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 12-17" Spread: 12-22"



Sept. 2 Height: to 20" Spread: 20-30"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom and vigor were good but there were some size differences. Fungal leaf spots were worse in July.

Gomphrena globosa 'QIS™ Orange'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 18-25" Spread: 19-27"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-30" Spread: to 36"

Six plants were in the trials. Good vigor and bloom but there were size differences. Fungal leaf spots were worse in July.

Gomphrena globosa 'Raspberry Cream'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 17-19" Spread: 19-20"



Sept. 2 Height: to 24" Spread: to 30"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good vigor, bloom and size uniformity all season. Fungal leaf spots were worse in July.

Gomphrena globosa 'Strawberry Fields'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: to 29"



Sept. 2 Height: 22-24" Spread: 30-33"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good vigor, bloom and size uniformity. Fungal leaf spots were worse in July.

Hibiscus acetosella 'Mahogany Splendor'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 36-38" Spread: 28-30"



Sept. 2 Height: 48-60" Spread: 36-48"

Six plants were in the trials. These were nice all season with good vigor and uniformity. *Hibiscus* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 12.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ Magenta Bliss'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 10-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: 18-22"

Six plants were in the trials and had nice bloom and vigor all season. There were some size differences early but the plants filled in by September. *Impatiens* hybrids were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ Orange Burst'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 6-7" Spread: 9-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: 12-20"

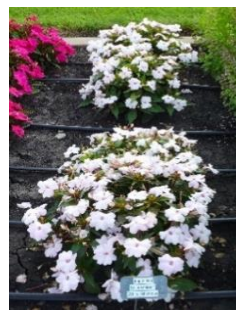
Six plants were in the trials. These had good bloom and vigor but there were some size differences.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ White Shimmer'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 13-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 9-11" Spread: 18-24"

Four of these were in the trials. These were very uniform in size, especially early in the season, and bloom was good all summer.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ XL Lilac Spark'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 7-9" Spread: 15-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 18-22"

Six of these were in the trials. These were the most vigorous of the 'Solarscape' impatiens. Bloom and uniformity were also good.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ XL Pink Jewel'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 12-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 20-24"

2024 All-America Selections (AAS) Ornamental From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. These were nice all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Impatiens hybrida 'Solarscape™ XL Salmon Glow'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 12-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 18-22"

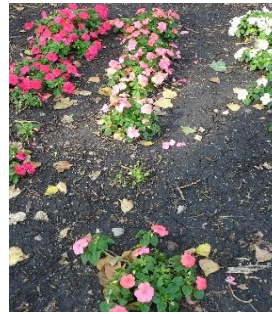
Six of these were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Coral Improved'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 8-9"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-5" Spread: 9-10"

Six of these were in the trials. They had nice bloom but weren't too vigorous. *Impatiens walleriana* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Lipstick'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-5" Spread: 8-9"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-5" Spread: 9-10"

Six of these were in the trials. Bloom was ok but they weren't too vigorous.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Mix Chicago'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-5" Spread: 8-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-7" Spread: 10-14"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good bloom but there were some differences in spread.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Mix Otway'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-5" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-6" Spread: 10-12"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good bloom but there were some differences in spread.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Mix Pearl Island'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-6" Spread: 9-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-7" Spread: 12-14"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These had good bloom and filled in nicely by September.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Orange'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-5" Spread: 8-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 5-7" Spread: 12-14"

Six plants were in the trials. These had good bloom and vigor all season.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Rose'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-8" Spread: 8-14"

Six of these were in the trials. They had good bloom but there were some size differences.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Salmon'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-5" Spread: 8-12"

Six of these were in the trials. They had good bloom but there were some size differences.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® Violet Shades'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 4-5" Spread: 8-11"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-6" Spread: 9-12"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These had good bloom but there were size differences all season.

Impatiens walleriana 'Beacon® White'

seed source: PanAmerican Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: 8-9"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-5" Spread: 9-10"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was okay but this was the least vigorous of the impatiens.

Ipomoea batatas (Sweet Potato Vine) 'Blackie'

plant source: Greenhouse plant



July 30 Height: to 12" Spread: to 30"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: to 40"

Three plants were in the trials. This was very vigorous and had to be cut back a few times over the course of the summer.



Ipomoea batatas (Sweet Potato Vine) 'Bright Ideas Cordate Rusty'

plant source: Greenhouse plant



July 30 Height: to 12" Spread: to 24"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: to 36"



Three plants were in the trials. They had good vigor but didn't get too invasive.



Ipomoea batatas (Sweet Potato Vine) 'Margarita'

plant source: Greenhouse plant



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: to 30"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: to 48"



Three plants were in the trials. This was very vigorous and had to be cut back a few times over the course of the summer.



Ipomoea batatas (Sweet Potato Vine) 'Sidekick™ Black'

plant source: Greenhouse plant



July 30 Height: 13-14" Spread: to 36"



Sept. 2 Height: to 14" Spread: to 40"



Three plants were in the trials. These had good growth but they didn't get out of control.

Ipomoea batatas (Sweet Potato Vine) 'Sidekick™ Lime Improved'

plant source: Greenhouse plant



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 18-24"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: to 36"



Three plants were in the trials. Nice plants that didn't get too invasive.

Ipomoea x multifida Cardinal Climber

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Spreading to 48"



Sept. 2 Spreading to 60"

Six plants were in the trials. This had good vigor but blooms were a bit hidden. These were seeded in the greenhouse on March 21.

Limonium sinuatum (Statice) 'Johnny's Statice Formula Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 14-28" Spread: 17-24"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-32" Spread: to 36"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom and vigor. There was also a nice color mix. All *Limonium* were seeded in the greenhouse on April 3.

Limonium sinuatum (Statice) 'Mixed Bold Colors'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 5-26" Spread: 15-24"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-30" Spread: 24-32"

Twelve plants were in the trials. This was not uniform in size or bloom but had a nice color mix.

Limonium sinuatum (Statice) 'QIS Apricot'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 26-30" Spread: 31-36"



Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 40"

Six plants were in the trials. This did well all season with good bloom and vigor.

Limonium sinuatum (Statice) 'Seeker Blue'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 18-22" Spread: 22-30"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 40"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Lobularia maritima 'Pastel Carpet'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 2-3" Spread: 8-10"

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Sept. 2 Height: 3-5" Spread: 10-12"

Twelve plants were in the trials but one died. Bloom and vigor were good although there was a lull in bloom at the end of August. *Lobularia* were seeded in the greenhouse on April 3.

Lobularia maritima 'Royal Carpet'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-13" Spread: 20-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These did well with good bloom and vigor. There was a lull in bloom at the end of August.



Lobularia maritima 'Snow Crystals'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 18-20"

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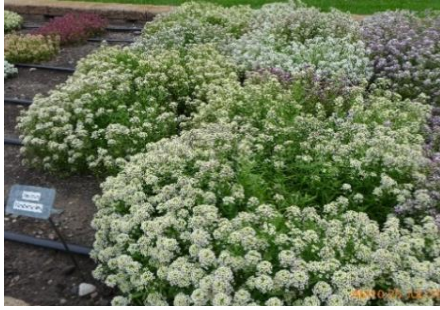


Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: 20-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They looked best in July with good bloom, vigor and uniformity. There was a lull in bloom at the end of August into September.

Lobularia maritima 'Wandering Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 9-10" Spread: 20-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. This was nice in July with good bloom and vigor. There was a lull in bloom at the end of August.

Melinis nerviglumis -Savannah Grass

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 16" Spread: 22"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 24" Spread: 34-36"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good vigor and uniformity. They were seeded in the greenhouse on January 24.

Miscanthus sinensis 'High Frequency'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 22-24" Spread: 21-22"

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Sept. 2 Height: 24-26" Spread: 24-26"

Six of these were in the trials. They did well all season. Rooted cuttings were received on April 17.

Ocimum basilicum (Basil) 'Everleaf Lemon'

seed source: PanAmerican Seeds



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 14-17"



Sept. 2 Height: to 30" Spread: 24"

Six plants were in the trials. These were nice all season with good vigor. All basil were seeded in the greenhouse on March 27.

Ocimum basilicum (Basil) 'Everleaf Thai Towers'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 13-14"

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Sept. 2 Height: 30-36" Spread: 20-22"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season although there were some height differences.

Ocimum basilicum (Basil) 'Spicy Bush'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 8-10" Spread: 10-15"

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Sept. 2 Height: 10-18" Spread: 12-22"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season although there were size differences by the end of the summer.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Big EEZE Pink Batik'

plant source: All-American Selections



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: to 18"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: to 24"

2024 All-America Selections (AAS) Vegetative Ornamental Winner. Six plants were in the trials. They had good bloom and vigor all season. These plants were saved from last season.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Maverick Appleblossom'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 15" Spread: to 17"



Sept. 2 Height: to 20" Spread: to 24"

Six plants were in the trials. They had good bloom and vigor all season. Seed geraniums were started in the greenhouse on February 10.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Maverick Orange'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-13" Spread: 10-14"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 17" Spread: 18-20"

Six plants were in the trials. This had good bloom but was the least vigorous geranium.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Maverick Scarlet'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 13-14" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 16-18" Spread: 20-24"

Six plants were in the trials. They had nice bloom and vigor all season.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Maverick White'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. They had nice bloom and vigor all season.

Pelargonium x hortorum (Geranium) 'Pinto Premium Lavender'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 14-16" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 22-24"

Six plants were in the trials. They had nice bloom and vigor all season.

Pennisetum setaceum -Fountain Grass

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 36" Spread: 32-36"



Sept. 2 Height: to 40" Spread: to 42"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity. These were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Penstemon barbatus 'Rock Candy® Coral'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 10-13" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 8-10"

Six of these were in the trials. They looked nice in July with good bloom and uniformity. By September they were past peak bloom. All *Penstemon* were received as rooted cuttings on April 17.

Penstemon barbatus 'Rock Candy® Pink Improved'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 10-13" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-13" Spread: to 13"

Six plants were in the trials. These didn't bloom as well as 'Rock Candy® Coral'.

Penstemon barbatus 'Rock Candy® Purple'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 10-11"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: to 12"

Six plants were in the trials. This was one of the best blooming *Penstemon* in July. By September one plant was dying and they were done blooming.

Penstemon hybrida 'Mountain Treats™ Fuchsia'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 18-21" Spread: 16-19"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: to 24"

Six plants were in the trials. These had their best bloom in July.

Penstemon hybrida 'Mountain Treats™ Light Pink'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 17-19" Spread: 13-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 15-24"

Six plants were in the trials. They had their best bloom in July. There were some size differences by September.

Penstemon hybrida 'Mountain Treats™ Purple'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 15-17" Spread: 10-15"



Sept. 2 Height: to 22" Spread: 22-24"

Six plants were in the trials. This was one of the nicest 'Mountain Treats™' Penstemon. It had the best bloom in September.

Penstemon hybrida 'Mountain Treats™ Red'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 16-19" Spread: 13-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 15-21"

Six plants were in the trials. This one bloomed early July and needed deadheading by late July. Vigor was ok but not much bloom after July.

Penstemon hybrida 'Mountain Treats™ Rose'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 18-21" Spread: 17-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-24" Spread: 20-24"

Six plants were in the trials. This was the nicest 'Mountain Treats™' Penstemon. Bloom was best in July but it still looked good by September.

Penstemon hybrida 'Summit Sweets™ Purple'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 13-14" Spread: 11-12"



Sept. 5 Height: 13-15" Spread: 11-14"

Six plants were in the trials. They had a bad case of fungal leaf spots and never bloomed well. One plant was dying by September.

Penstemon hybrida 'Summit Sweets™ Ruby'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 15-17" Spread: 12-14"



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Six of these were in the trials. They looked alright in July but by September they had all died.

Petunia sp. x Calibrachoa sp. (Petchoa) 'Caliburst Yellow'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 4-6" Spread: 8-10"

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Sept. 2 Height: 6-8" Spread: to 12"

Six plants were in the trials. These did not do well for the second year in a row. They weren't very vigorous and bloom wasn't great. These were seeded in the greenhouse on March 20.

Petunia x hybrida 'Allegra Picotee Velvet' (Grandiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 23" Spread: to 20"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-26" Spread: to 30"

Six plants were in the trials. These were very vigorous and floriferous throughout the summer. All petunias were seeded in the greenhouse on March 20.

Petunia x hybrida 'Celebrity Mix' (Floribunda)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 11-13" Spread: 16-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 24-30" Spread: 24-30"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These had a nice color mix and did well all season.



Petunia x hybrida 'Dekko™ Maxx™ Pink'

plant source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 12-13" Spread: to 24"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 30-33"

Twelve plants were in the trials. These did very well all season and formed a carpet of pink. They had to be trimmed back a few times. Rooted cuttings of these were received on April 17.

Petunia x hybrida 'E3 Easy Wave™ Formula Mix' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 18-23"

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Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 23-30"

Eleven of these were in the trials. They had really good bloom and vigor but there were some size differences between the colors.

Petunia x hybrida 'E3 Easy Wave™ Peppermint Mix' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-14" Spread: to 30"

Ten of these were in the trials. They had good bloom all summer but some disease was showing up in August.

Petunia x hybrida 'Easy Wave™ Burgundy Velour' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 22-24"



Sept. 2 Height: 20-24" Spread: 28-30"



Six plants were in the trials. These had good bloom and vigor all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Easy Wave™ Pink Passion' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-10" Spread: 21-22"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 24-30"



Six of these were in the trials. They did well all season with great bloom and vigor.

Petunia x hybrida 'Easy Wave™ Yellow' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 10" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: 22-24"



Six of these were in the trials. They did well all season with great bloom and vigor.



Petunia x hybrida 'FlashForward™ Blue' (Spreading-Miniature)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 10-11" Spread: 16-20"



Sept. 2 Height: to 12" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. They did well all season with great bloom and vigor.

Petunia x hybrida 'FlashForward™ Pink' (Spreading-Miniature)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 5-6" Spread: 12-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 6-10" Spread: 14-20"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was good in July but there were size differences. The plants developed disease in September.

Petunia x hybrida 'FlashForward™ Red' (Spreading-Miniature)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-9" Spread: 15-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: 22-25"

Six plants were in the trials. They did well all season but weren't as vigorous as some other petunias.



Petunia x hybrida 'Pinkie Pop Hybrid'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-13" Spread: 24-30"

Six plants were in the trials. They had great bloom and vigor all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Purple Wave Improved' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-7" Spread: 20-24"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 8" Spread: to 36"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom and vigor were great but foliage was yellowing.

Petunia x hybrida 'Romantica Moonlight' (Multiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 10-11" Spread: 10-12"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 18-20"

Two plants were in the trials. They did well with good bloom.

Petunia x hybrida 'Romantica Norma' (Multiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 11-12" Spread: 12-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 18-22"

Six plants were in the trial. They did alright but other petunias were more vigorous.

Petunia x hybrida 'Romantica Star' (Multiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 9-10"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-16" Spread: 14-16"

Four plants were in the trials. They did well with good bloom and vigor.

Petunia x hybrida 'Shake™ Raspberry' (Multiflora)

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 6-7" Spread: 8-10"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 12-14"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flowers from Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. Plants were small but bloom was really good all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Shock Wave® Deep Purple' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 3-4" Spread: to 22"



Sept. 2 Height: 4-6" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. This was vigorous but was being overtaken by petunias 'Purple Wave' and 'Shock Wave Pink Vein'.

Petunia x hybrida 'Shock Wave® Pink Vein' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. They were very vigorous with good bloom all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Shock Wave® Tie Dye Purple' (Spreading)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 7-8" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-12" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. They were very vigorous with good bloom all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Spellbound Pink'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 12-18" Spread: 13-15"

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Sept. 2 Height: 15-19" Spread: 18-20"

Six plants were in the trials. The flowers were pretty but the plants became leggy and chlorotic by September.

Petunia x hybrida 'Spellbound White Blush'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 13-15" Spread: 16-18"

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Sept. 2 Height: 16-18" Spread: 18-20"

Six plants were in the trials. The flowers were pretty and the plants were vigorous but there was some chlorosis of the foliage.

Petunia x hybrida 'Superbissima Cerny's Triumph' (Grandiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 24" Spread: to 24"

Six plants were in the trials. There was good bloom but the plants got a bit leggy.

Petunia x hybrida 'Supercascade Blue' (Spreading)

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 7-19" Spread: 17-22"

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Sept. 2 Height: 15-22" Spread: 18-22"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was really good all summer but there were some height differences in July. The plants filled out nicely by September.

Petunia x hybrida 'Supercascade Red' (Spreading)

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 13-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 8-9" Spread: 12-15"

Six plants were in the trials. They were doing well in July but then became over-run by petunias 'Supercascade Blue' and 'Tickled Pink'.

Petunia x hybrida 'Supercascade White' (Spreading)

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 7-13" Spread: 12-21"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-13" Spread: 20-24"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was good early but there were size differences. Some disease was present by September.

Petunia x hybrida 'Tickled Pink' (Spreading)

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: to 24" Spread: 36+"



Sept. 2 Height: 30-33" Spread: 40+"

Six plants were in the trials. These were very vigorous with great bloom all season.

Petunia x hybrida 'Tidal Wave® Red Velour' (Hedgiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 16" Spread: 36-40"



Sept. 2 Height: 16-20" Spread: to 40"

Six plants were in the trials. This was vigorous with lots of flowers but was being over-taken by petunias 'Tidal Wave Silver' and 'Tickled Pink'.

Petunia x hybrida 'Tidal Wave® Silver' (Hedgiflora)

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 14" Spread: 36+"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 40+"

Six plants were in the trials. This had great vigor and bloom but there was some disease present.

Plectranthus scutellarioides (Coleus) 'Giant Exhibition Limelight'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-12" Spread: 6-7"



Sept. 2 Height: 10" Spread: 12"

Six plants were in the trials. They were doing alright but then a tree removal project in the area caused 5 plants to be damaged and removed. Seeds were started in the greenhouse in April 10.

Plectranthus scutellarioides (Coleus) 'Premium Sun Coral Candy'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 14-16" Spread: 14-17"



Sept. 2 Height: 16-18" Spread: 18-20"



2023 All-America Selections (AAS) Ornamental From Seed Winner. Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good vigor and coloring.

Portulaca grandiflora 'Happy Hour™ Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 14-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 8-9" Spread: 18-20"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season although bloom declined a bit by September. *Portulaca* was seeded on March 27.

Portulaca grandiflora 'Sundial Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-10" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: 20-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season although bloom declined a bit by September.

Ptilotus exaltatus 'Matilda'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 4-11" Spread: 4-9"

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Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: 6-11"

Six plants were put out but 1 died over the summer. Unique plants but they didn't do as well as last year. These were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Rosmarinus officinalis 'Blue Cascade'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 17-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-11" Spread: 18-22"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well. Rooted cuttings were received on April 17.

Rudbeckia hirta 'Denver Daisy'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 19-20" Spread: 22-24"

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Sept. 2 Height: 20-22" Spread: 25-30"



Six plants were in the trials. They did well all season with great bloom but there were some size differences. *Rudbeckia* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Rudbeckia hirta 'Pawnee Spirit'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 14-15" Spread: 10-13"

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Sept. 2 Height: 14-20" Spread: 10-20"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was really good but sizes weren't uniform.



Rudbeckia hirta 'Prairie Sun'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: 20-25"

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Sept. 2 Height: 20-24" Spread: 22-24"



Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Rudbeckia hybrida 'Suntacular'

plant source: Darwin Perennials



July 30 Height: 28-32" Spread: 6-8"

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Sept. 2 Height: 30-36" Spread: 20-30"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was good but there were some size differences.



Salvia farinacea 'Evolution Violet'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 21-23" Spread: 15-18"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-25" Spread: 18-22"



Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity. *Salvia* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 27.



Salvia farinacea 'Evolution White'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 21-23" Spread: 15-20"



Sept. 2 Height: to 26" Spread: 20-22"



Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.



Salvia farinacea 'Fairy Queen'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 22-23" Spread: 15-17"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-26" Spread: 22-25"



Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.



Salvia farinacea 'Victoria Blue'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 23-24" Spread: 16-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-26" Spread: 22-25"



Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Salvia hybrid 'Big Blue'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 33-36" Spread: to 36"



Six plants were in the trials. These were just setting buds in July. By September they were doing well with good bloom and vigor.



Salvia viridis 'Oxford Blue'
seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 28-30" Spread: 30-33"



Sept. 2 Height: 30-32" Spread: to 36"

Six plants were in the trials but by September only 2 were left. Fungal disease took out 4 of them. Although they looked nice in July, they slowly declined.



Salvia viridis 'Pink Sundae'
seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 30" Spread: 32-36"



Sept. 2 Height: to 32" Spread: 36-40"



Six plants were in the trials. They did not get the same fungal disease that 'Oxford Blue' succumbed to. These looked good all season with nice bloom and uniformity.

Scabiosa atropurpurea 'Summer Berries Mix'
seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 14-24" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 25-30" Spread: 13-18"

Seven plants were in the trials. They had good bloom but were not uniform in size. Some stems were also falling over and should have been supported. *Scabiosa* was seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Scabiosa stellata 'Paper Moon'
seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 14-16" Spread: 13-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 14-15"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season but 'Summer Berries' scabiosa was falling over on them.

Senecio cineraria (Dusty Miller) 'Candicans'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 10-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 14-15" Spread: 20-22"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good vigor. All dusty miller were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Senecio cineraria (Dusty Miller) 'New Look'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 9-10" Spread: 11-13"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-12" Spread: 18-20"



Six plants were in the trials. These were very uniform throughout the season.

Senecio cineraria (Dusty Miller) 'Silverdust'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 7-8" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 7-9" Spread: 10-14"

Six plants were in the trials and they did well all season.

Solanum integrifolium -Pumpkin on a stick

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 26-36" Spread: 21-24"



Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 36"



Four plants were in the trials. This ornamental eggplant was vigorous but the fruit didn't start turning orange until mid to late September. This was seeded in the greenhouse on March 20.

Tagetes erecta (American Marigold) 'Mission Giant Orange'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: to 32" Spread: 32-36"



Sept. 2 Height: 32-36" Spread: 36-40"



Six plants were in the trials. These had good bloom, especially in September, and were very vigorous. All marigolds were seeded in the greenhouse on April 3.



Tagetes erecta (American Marigold) 'Park's Whopper Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 12-16" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 24-26"



Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.



Tagetes erecta (American Marigold) 'Siam Gold'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 22-24" Spread: 19-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 28-30" Spread: 25-30"



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Tagetes erecta (American Marigold) 'Sunset Giants Mix'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 28-30" Spread: 20-23"



Sept. 2 Height: 30-33" Spread: to 36"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom and vigor.

Tagetes lucida- Mexican Mint Marigold

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 13-15" Spread: 12-20"



Sept. 2 Height: to 20" Spread: to 20"

Six plants were in the trials. These marigolds smelled like licorice. Vigor was good but the stems flopped over.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Durango Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 7-14" Spread: 9-17"



Sept. 2 Height: 10-15" Spread: 10-20"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good bloom all season but the sizes varied. Aster Yellows appeared in September.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Flamenco'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 6-8" Spread: 12-13"

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Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: 13-18"

Six plants were in the trials. These looked very nice early but Aster Yellows was bad in September.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Happy Days Mix'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 17-31"



Sept. 2 Height: 15-20" Spread: 28-36"

Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good bloom all season but the sizes varied.



Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Mango Tango'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 11-12" Spread: 14-16"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 18-20"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity. Some Aster Yellows was present in September.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Red Knight'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 12-14" Spread: 18-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 14-15" Spread: 22-28"

Six plants were in the trials. These had good vigor and bloom all season.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Sparky Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 18-26" Spread: 21-26"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-36" Spread: 30-36"

Twelve plants were in the trials. Bloom was good but some plants were huge by September.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Strawberry Blonde'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 8-13" Spread: 12-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 13-15" Spread: 14-15"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom and vigor.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Super Hero™ Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 9-11" Spread: 6-15"



Sept. 2 Height: 11-13" Spread: 15-20"

Twelve plants were in the trials. Bloom was good but sizes varied. Three plants with Aster Yellows were pulled out in August.

Tagetes patula (French Marigold) 'Super Hero™ Spry'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 8-9" Spread: 13-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 9-11" Spread: 15-18"

Six plants were in the trials. These did well all season with good bloom and vigor but some Aster Yellows was showing up in September.

Thunbergia alata (Black-Eyed Susan Vine) 'Sunrise Surprise'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Spreading to 24-36"



Sept. 2 Spreading to 36-48"

Three of these were in the trials. They showed some fungal leaf spotting in July but were doing well by September. *Thunbergia* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 10.

Tropaeolum minus (Nasturtium) 'Baby Gold'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 11-13" Spread: 6-18"



Sept. 2 Height: 13-16" Spread: 18-22"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good vigor all season but a few plants were small and the blooms hid under the foliage in September.

Tropaeolum minus (Nasturtium) 'Baby Red'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 12-16" Spread: 12-32"



Sept. 2 Height: 13-20" Spread: 18-36"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. They had good vigor but one plant was much bigger than the others.

Tropaeolum minus (Nasturtium) 'Baby Yellow'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 11-13" Spread: 15-19"



Sept. 2 Height: 13-14" Spread: to 22"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve plants were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Tropaeolum minus (Nasturtium) 'Park's Fragrant Giants Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 28" Spread: 30+"



Sept. 2 Height: to 30" Spread: 36-40"

Five plants were in the trials. One plant died but the others were vigorous. Hard to see the blooms under the foliage.

Verbena bonariensis

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 40" Spread: to 36"



Sept. 2 Height: to 48" Spread: to 40"



Six plants were in the trials. They did well with good bloom and vigor. All *Verbena* were seeded in the greenhouse on March 27.



Verbena bonariensis 'Vanity'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: to 36" Spread: to 24"

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Sept. 2 Height: 34-36" Spread: to 24-26"

2022 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. They did well all season with good bloom, vigor and uniformity.

Verbena tenuisecta 'Sweetheart Kisses'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: 8-23"

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Sept. 2 Height: 8-10" Spread: to 8-24"

2024 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. They looked best in July but declined in bloom after that.

Xeranthemum annuum 'Paper Flower Double Mix'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 28" Spread: to 15"



Sept. 2 Height: 24-30" Spread: 18-22"

Six plants were in the trials. Bloom was best in July and declined by September. These were seeded in the greenhouse on April 10.

Xerochrysum bracteatum (Strawflower) 'King Size Red'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 23-33" Spread: 10-12"



Sept. 2 Height: 28-30" Spread: to 15"

Six plants were put out but 4 died over the course of the summer. Strawflower were seeded in the greenhouse on April 10.

Xerochrysum bracteatum (Strawflower) 'Silvery Rose'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 5-15"

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Sept. 2 Height: 30-32" Spread: to 20"

Six plants were in the trials but 3 were dying by late August. These had nice bloom but weren't uniform in vigor.

Zinnia elegans 'Benary's Giant Bright Pink'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: to 34" Spread: to 22"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 40" Spread: to 28"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spot was bad in July but better in September. Bloom was very good. All zinnia were seeded in the greenhouse on April 10.

Zinnia elegans 'Benary's Giant Salmon Rose'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 26-28" Spread: 17-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: to 36" Spread: to 28"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spot was bad in July but better in September. Bloom was very good.

Zinnia elegans 'Candy Mix'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 16-28" Spread: 15-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 20-30" Spread: 28-30"

Ten plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July but better by September. Bloom was good.

Zinnia elegans 'Park's Fiesta Mix'

plant source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: to 30" Spread: to 21"

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Sept. 2 Height: 36-40" Spread: 23-30"

Eleven plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July. Bloom was good but sizes varied.

Zinnia elegans 'Queeny Lemon Peach'

seed source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 15-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-30" Spread: 20-24"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July. Bloom was especially nice in September.

Zinnia elegans 'Tequila Lime'

plant source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 18-20" Spread: 20-22"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-25" Spread: 24-28"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July. Bloom was especially nice in September.

Zinnia elegans 'Thumbelina Mix'

plant source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 22-24" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 24-30" Spread: 24-30"

Twelve plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July. Bloom was especially nice in September.

Zinnia elegans 'White Wedding'

plant source: Burpee



July 30 Height: 14-16" Spread: 14-16"



Sept. 2 Height: 18-20" Spread: 16-18"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July. Bloom was good but the old blooms became brown and unsightly.

Zinnia elegans 'Zinderella Fizz'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 20-22" Spread: 18-20"

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Sept. 2 Height: 22-26" Spread: 20-22"

Six plants were in the trials. Fungal leaf spots were bad in July but bloom was good.

Zinnia hybrida 'Profusion Lemon'

seed source: Park Seed



July 30 Height: 11-12" Spread: 13-16"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 17-20"

Six plants were in the trials. Two plants were pulled due to white mold. Really good bloom by September.

Zinnia hybrida 'Zahara™ Double Bright Orange'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 8-14" Spread: 14-20"



Sept. 2 Height: 15-17" Spread: 18-20"

Six plants were in the trials. The color was very bright and bloom was really nice in September.

Zinnia hybrida 'Zahara™ Double Cherry'

seed source: Johnny's Selected Seeds



July 30 Height: 10-12" Spread: 10-14"



Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 12-18"

Six plants were in the trials. These were very uniform. Bloom was good in September but dead heads detracted from the appearance.

Zinnia marylandica 'Zydeco™ Fire'

seed source: All-America Selections



July 30 Height: 10-13" Spread: 10-16"

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Sept. 2 Height: 12-14" Spread: 16-20"

2025 All-America Selections (AAS) Flower From Seed Winner. Twelve of these were in the trials. Bloom was good but deadheads detracted a bit in September.

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