

## New Introductions from Europe®

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### TREES AND SHRUBS

- *Aralia elata* 'Golden Umbrella'. Wide gold leafmargin, more vigorous grower than 'Aureomarginata' and easier to propagate, no scorching of leaves in summer.
- *Berberis thunbergii* 'Admiration'. From Czech Republic, dense dome shape; young shoots orangebrown colored, leafmargin wide gold rim.
- *Buxus microphylla* 'Peergold', Golden Dream™ boxwood. Found as a variegated sport on 'Faulkner', leaf margins in summer bright gold, in winter yellowish green, young shoots and wintercolor orange-bronze, habit rounded.
- *Corylus avellana* 'Anny's Purple Dream'. A compact form with deep-purple-colored foliage. Ideal for grafting.
- *Forsythia × intermedia* 'Goldraush'. A German selection with a great advantage over many other Forsythia's; the flowers are formed on the young (1st year's) shoots. The flowers are very large and deep yellow.
- *Hebe* 'Heartbreaker' <sup>PBR</sup>. A compact-growing hebe, foliage grey-green with a cream-colored margin. Foliage turns purple from October to May. Withstands only mild frosts. Sport of 'Dazzler' with better color and more vigorous grower.
- *Pieris japonica* 'Katsura'. Originates from Japan, young foliage maroon, later bright red, flowers pink.
- *Sophora japonica* 'Karaca Weeping'. Different form of the weeping *Sophora*, leaves smaller and finer branching.
- *Sorbaria sorbifolia* 'Sem' <sup>PBR</sup>. Originated as a seedling, more compact in habit, young shoots orange-bronze colored later yellowish green, flowers white.
- *Weigela florida* 'Verweig', Monet™ weigela. Dense, mound-forming shrub, foliage variegated, changes color from spring to fall.

### PERENNIALS

- *Agapanthus* 'White Heaven' <sup>PBR</sup>. A tall African lily with extremely large pure-white flowers. Because of the long and strong stems also excellent as a cut flower.
- *Aster ageratoides* 'Starshine'. Compact, mildew-free selection, flowers earlier than other *A. ageratoides* selections.
- *Clematis* 'Zobluepi', Blue Pirouette™ clematis. Bears upright, dark violet-blue flowers; tepels elegantly twisted, height to 1.8 m but also with groundcover potential, perennial-type clematis so cut back in spring to 25 cm.

- *Clematis* 'Hendryetta'. Small, dark green leaves, flowers bell shaped, nodding scented, tepals pink, ideal for winding through roses or shrubs, perennial-type clematis so cut back in spring to 25 cm.
- *Cortaderia selloana* 'Splendid Star'. Originated as a sport in *C. selloana* 'Pumila' with a height to 1 m. A dwarf golden pampas grass that is quite unique with golden streaked leaves that stay on the plant all year. Elegant white flower plumes are produced in late summer.
- *Echinacea purpurea* 'Razzmatazz'<sup>PBR</sup> and 'Doppelgänger'. This and other unnamed selections of coneflower are semi-double to full-double flowered selections.
- *Geranium* 'Sirak'. A sterile hybrid and the parentage is *G. gracile* and *G. ibericum*. It has large mauve-pink flowers with dark veins. Received an AGM in Great Britain last year.
- *Helenium* 'Potter's Wheel' glowing brown-red flower with a small yellow margin, a rather big, very expressive flower; mid-late; height 135 cm.
- *Helenium* 'Sahin's Early Flowerer'. A *Helenium* with yellow and bronze bicolor flowers, blooms continuously throughout the whole summer on strong stems, needs no staking.
- *Leucanthemum* × *superbum* 'Sonnenschein' flowers are single, pale creamy-lemon fading to white, with a gold eye, 75 cm.
- *Sedum* 'Ruby Port' deep purple leaves and stem, deep-red flowers.
- *Solidago* 'Ducky'. A very compact and short goldenrod, mildew free, and of hybrid origin. *Solidago* 'Laurin' × *S. flexicaulis*.
- *Verbascum* 'Rosie' is a sport of *Verbascum* 'Jackie'. The flowers are lovely pink with dark overtones. It reaches a mature height of 30 cm.