

Summer 2003/2004

Marcus Harvey's

## **Hill View Rare Plants**

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Welcome to Hill View's annual offering of bulbs and tubers. This year's list is world class, even if we do say ourselves, and represents the very best in cool climate bulbs. Some rare species are on offer as well as a good range of garden performers - so there should be a treasure here worth unearthing for everyone. We are particularly proud of our crocus listings which represent nearly 80% of all known species. While we have a wide range of bulbs on offer some items are in short supply so please order early and provide a few substitutes. As much as we would love one, we still don't have a special machine "out the back" that churns out stock on request.

All bulbs are subject to crop and are mainly in small numbers - very few means less than 20. We have many bulbs too few in numbers to list so its always worth an inquiry - there may be one or two available.

**Ordering:** Just forward order via letter with cheque or cash enclosed. Given rarity and short numbers, please order as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

**Substitutes:** Please indicate any substitutes that you will accept if stocks of your first selections become exhausted.

**Despatch:** Orders will be despatched in the sequence that they are received by us beginning the around the end of December.

**Delivery:** By Australia Post. Plants will be carefully packed in a suitable medium.

**Packing and Freight Costs:** Within Tasmania \$ 6.00 ) For orders over 20 plants,  
To Victoria \$ 8.00 ) please add \$3.00 extra to  
To Other States \$ 9.00 ) the amount.

**Naming:** These bulbs are from a high quality collection derived from seed exchanges world wide so a high degree of confidence is placed on their identification and provenience. If by some remote chance you receive the wrong plant, immediate steps will be taken to rectify the mistake.

**Sizes:** FS - size to flower (but not guaranteed)  
1st = 1 year to flowering  
2nd = 2 years to flowering

### **CROCUS**

A much neglected plant in this country. A delightful addition to any rock garden or keep them as pets in pots! Taken as a genus they flower from late summer to spring and most increase well from offsets and seed. Some on this list are expensive but they are not to be found on any other.

### **CROCUS**

**ancyrensis** Early and free flowering species from Turkey with numerous deep orange flowers in the winter. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**angustifolius** Known for centuries as the “Cloth of Gold Crocus” this extremely beautiful vernal bloomer is easy in the garden and will form good clumps. Deep orange-yellow inner petals, the outers suffused deep bronze. Gorgeous!  
Few Only FS \$ 4.00

**asturicus** A very robust and reliable autumn bloomer, lovely dark purple flowers with strikingly orange-red style. From Spain and good garden plant.  
FS/1st \$ 3.00

**asuminae** A rare but locally abundant autumn-flowering species from S Turkey. From the sativus group - large eye-catching red three branched stigma within a goblet-shaped white/pale lilac flower. Dry Summer FS \$ 5.00

**banaticus** An autumnal treasure for a woodland setting. Very large iris-like blooms in pale mauve or lilac with feathery white or yellow styles.  
Few Only FS \$ 6.00

**biflorus ssp biflorus** The type plant from a large and variable tribe. These are Italian from seed collected in Calabria. Free-flowering cheerful blooms striped metallic - purple on a creamy ground colour. Spring FS/1st \$ 4.00

**biflorus ssp ? biflorus** From the most easterly occurring population of this species. Collected by us on Rodos, close to the Turkish mainland. Some have the black anthers that are characteristic of *ssp nubigeus*, so maybe not so clear cut. Brown striped on a rich yellowish ground. Gorgeous!  
Spring FS/1st \$ 5.00

**biflorus ssp pulchricolour** Another lovely member of the biflorus tribe. Seed collected by us on Ulu Dag in cooler NW Turkey. Variable in colour from pale lilac-blue to richer violet-blue. Always un-striped with a yellow throat. Very free-flowering in spring. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**biflorus ssp melantherus** Rare and very desirable addition to the biflorus complex. Distinct in being one of only two autumn flowering *biflorus*. Large white flowers striped or speckled purple-brown on outer petals. Yellow throat and striking black anthers. FS \$ 3.00

**biflorus ssp weldenii** Spring flowerer from the Balkans, close to *ssp alexandrii* but varies in colour from snowy white to grey and light blue feathering on it's outer petals. A real beauty! Few FS \$ 4.00

**biflorus ssp ? atospermus** A very puzzling population from a place with the equally puzzling name of Kizilcaboluk in central W Turkey. Some striped some with black anthers but most fit the description for this newly discovered species. FS \$ 8.00

**boryi** Creamy-white goblets with feathery orange styles in autumn. Wide-spread in southern Greece so well suited to our garden conditions in south-eastern Australia. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**cambessedesii** A little Balearic isle endemic which flowers from late autumn to early winter. Variable from white to lilac with purple stripes on exterior. Like an early flowering *C. minimus*. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**cancellatus ssp cancellatus** Striking bright violet-blue autumn blooms with dark purplish feathering on the outer segments. Seed collected on Nur Dag,

- southern Turkey by us and proving a good doer in a none too easy group.  
FS/1st \$ 5.00
- cancellatus ssp mazziaricus** Rare offering of this large autumn flowering species from Greece and Turkey. White/lilac flowers, darkly veined, with a distinctly yellow throat. Dry summer FS/1st \$ 5.00
- carpetanus** A super rare species in cultivation and never seen on lists. Spring flowerer from Spain with distinctly keeled leaves. Large blooms of pale lilac with a whitish throat and blunt cauliflower-like styles. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- cartwrightianus** Spectacular autumn flowers, some white, others lilac, darkly veined and often with a purple throat. Massive lolling scarlet styles. Seedlings from the Greek island of Serifos. FS \$ 5.00
- cartwrightianus albus** An excellent clone of the above, glistening red stigma set off against the large pure white flower, good increaser. FS \$ 4.00
- chrysanthus** The little seen wild plant from Northern Greece and Turkey. Those on offer are from the latter country with deep gold honey-scented flowers and orange styles in late winter. Few Only FS \$ 4.00
- corsicus** As the name suggests from the island of Corsica. Flowers, pale biscuit on exterior, violet inner petals with strong metallic purple feathering in Winter/Spring. Very Few FS \$ 4.00
- danfordiae** A diminutive spring species that has the notoriety of appearing in all of it's 3 colour forms of yellow, blue and white in the one population. These are almost all yellow. Charming and sweet beauty. FS \$ 5.00
- etruscus** From a wild seed collection so plants will show variation in flower colour from plain lilac to violet with some striping on the exterior petals. A vigorous spring flowerer that will do well in the garden. Very Few FS \$ 4.00
- flavus** Profuse, firey orange-yellow flowers in spring makes it one of the finest garden plants in this genus. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- fleischeri** Starry white flowers with a yellow throat and deep orange-red style branches. Wonderfully woven silky yellow corm tunics. A personal favourite. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- gargaricus ssp gargaricus** Known only from two locations in Turkey, these hail from Gok Tepe in Mugla province. Bright orange-yellow flowers in spring, a collector's must! FS/1st \$ 4.00
- gargaricus ssp herbertii** Same rich orange-yellow flowers but spreads by underground stolons and can make a lovely pool of colours in moist garden conditions. Only known from Ulu Dag in Turkey. Fs/1st Naturally small corms. \$ 6.00
- goulimyi** A first class garden crocus. Elegant lavender flowers on long tubes in autumn. Prolific grower when conditions suit. If pot grown, keep cool but dryish in dormancy. FS \$ 2.50
- goulimyi "Mani White"** The delectable albino clone that bears glistening white flowers almost as large as *Colchicum autumnal*! A supremely gorgeous plant

- loved by all who see it. Few FS/1st \$10.00
- hadriaticus** Another striking autumn flowerer from Greece - pure glistening white with a hint of yellow deep in the throat and a large scarlet stigma. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- hadriaticus var parnassicus** Same as above but without the yellow throat so glistening white from top to toe. Collected as seed by us from the vertiginous slopes of Mt Parnassos near Delphi. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- imperatii ssp imperatii** Inconspicuous buds open to reveal one of the most dramatic of spring flowering crocus. Outer petals are buff with degrees of purple striping while the inner three are bright purple. FS \$ 4.00
- korolkowii** A central asian species of great garden merit. Strong spring flowers of brilliant 'varnished' yellow variously striped or stippled metallic purple and brown on the exterior. Crème de la Crème! FS \$ 5.00
- kotschyanus ssp kotschyanus** Easy grower quickly building up to a colony. Autumn flowers of pale mauve with a yellow throat on long tubes. Reliable and hardy. FS \$ 1.50
- kotschyanus var leucopharnyx** The much rarer white throated variant of the above listed type. Not rediscovered in the wild, often passed around as the much rarer *C. karduchorum* which it is most definitely not! FS \$ 3.00
- laevigatus** Variable autumn to winter flowers in white to lilac, feathered and stippled darkly on their outside petals. Lovely and easy growing for a warm summer-dry pocket in the rock garden. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- longiflorus** One of the very best autumn flowerers for the garden. Wonderfully scented lilac-purple blooms with darker veining. Brilliant orange-red lolling style. FS \$ 3.00
- malyi** Very rare in cultivation and a real beauty. Big pure white flowers with yellow throats in late spring. Original bulbs kindly given to us by The bulb collector in Australia, Mr Otto Fauser. Few FS/1st \$ 5.00
- medius** A delightful species for naturalizing. It displays its slightly tubby lavender purple flowers close to the ground in late autumn. Their rich dark colour intensified by a vivid orange stigma. FS \$ 4.00
- niveus** One of the very best autumnal crocus from the Peleponnese. Most of these will be glistening white with a showy orange stigma. Huge goblets. FS/1st \$ 3.00
- niveus lilac form** This is the best lilac form arising from a collection made in the Mani Peninsula in Greece many years ago by Brian Mathew (BM 8066A). Very vigorous and free flowering. Many of the flowers being semi double in some years. Very Choice FS \$ 4.00
- nudiflorus** Large bright purple/violet flowers before leaves in autumn. Easy garden plant spreading by stolons. Very Few FS \$ 4.00
- ochroleucus large form** A wonderful strain from Tel Aviv Botanic Gardens. Large white flowers with a yellow throat, much better than the small flowered clone offered previously. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**ochroleucus “Valerie Finnis”** The pure white form of the above. Larger flowers without the yellow throat. Brian Mathew mentions it in his splendid monograph, *The Crocus*. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**oreoreticus** Rare species only known from the mountains of Crete. Own seed from The Cave of Zeus. Mid-lilac to purple autumn flowers with dark veiny and silvery to buff exteriors. Huge flopping, scarlet styles. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**pallasii ssp pallasii** From the lovely isle of Samos it’s large autumn flowers are of the palest lilac with feathery scarlet style. Likes it hot. FS/1st Few \$ 5.00

**paschei** The rarest listing on this entire catalogue! Only ‘discovered’ in 1994 in the Taurus Mts of southern Turkey, the type and only location for this species has been kept secret. Guaranteed the only listing of this in the World. Large lilac-blue flowers, silvery or buff outside with a distinct white zone above yellow throat, trifold orange-red stigmas. Spring flowers. Very few FS/1st \$ 8.00

**pestalozzae** Confined to the very extreme NW of Turkey, occurs in both blue and white. This is the famous white clone collected by Brian Matthew and appearing as a photograph in his *Bulbous Plants of Turkey*. A profusion of long-tubed white blooms with yellow throats. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**pulchellus** Solid lavender blue flowers with a deep yellow throat in autumn. a reliable performer in the garden where it will naturalize. FS \$ 2.00

**pulchellus albus** A rare offering indeed! Robust pure white flowering form with a yellow throat. Just as easy as the type but rare as dragon’s teeth. Very Few FS/1st \$ 7.00

**pulchellus “Zephyr”** A selection which is probably a hybrid between *C. pulchellus* and *C. speciosus*. Very large whitish flowers shaded pearly grey with a yellow throat in autumn. Outstanding ! FS/1st \$ 5.00

**reticulatus ssp hittiticus** Endemic to a small part of S Turkey and collected there by us. White to pale lilac flowers dramatically striped and stippled black on the exterior and distinct purple-black anthers. Spring FS/1st \$ 6.00

**serotinus ssp salzmanii** Good strong grower for the garden whose large autumn flowers are pale lilac blue with a yellow throat. Easy FS \$ 2.00

**sieberi ssp atticus** From the type locality at Pendelikon near Athens where the Ancients quarried the stone for the Parthenon. A fine garden plant with large pale to deep lilac thick petalled flowers and coarsely woven corm tunics. FS \$ 3.00

**sieberi “Bowles White”** An albino selection made by E A Bowles and described by him as “the best white and orange spring crocus I know”. Flowers very large, globular, pure white with an orange throat and stigma. A real beauty. FS/1st Few \$ 5.00

**sieberi ssp nivalis** From a restricted range in the Taygetos Mts in the Central Peloponnese, comes this rare taxon. Similar to *ssp sublimis* it has very large lilac-blue spring flowers with yellow throats. Will be a good garden introduction. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**sieberi ssp sieberi** Rarely offered type species which is endemic to Crete. Spring flowers of showy white stained on the outside with purple brush-marks and yellow throat. An exquisitely delicate combination. Few Only FS \$5.00

**sieberi ssp sublimis** The most wide-spread of all the subspecies close to *ssp atticus* but with generally wider less deeply coloured segments and smoother corm tunics. Easy FS \$ 3.00

**sieberi ssp sublimis forma tricolor** A long-winded name I know but correct according to the rules of nomenclature. Just call it tricolour if you like! A superb form with medium flowers of three rings of distinct colour. Yellow throat, broad white central band and deep purple petals. Easy as the above. Very Few FS \$ 5.00

**sieberi ssp sublimis x veluchensis** Seed grown from the hybrid populations growing on the uplands of Mt Parnassos. Mauve to dark purple goblets mostly with white throats in winter. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**speciosus** One of the very best. Huge magnificent mauve flowers striped darker in autumn. Finely divided deep orange stigma. Easy and for those beginning a collection, an absolute must. Colonizes well. FS \$ 3.00

**speciosus albus** The absolutely fabulous albino form of the above listed species. Crème de la Crème! Very Few FS/1st \$ 7.00

**speciosus “Oxonian”** The darkest and largest flowered selection of *C. speciosus* made by Barr & Sons around the turn of the century - so it has stood the test of time. Flowers deep lilac blue with prominent and even darker coloured veining and when fully open can measure up to 10cm across. \$ 5.00

**speciosus ssp xantholaimos** One for the collectors. Known only from the province of Sinop in northern Turkey it is daintier than the type and is easily distinguished from it by its yellow throat. Rarely offered anywhere. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**thomasii** A beautiful autumn flowerer from Italy close to *C. hadriaticus* but with fragrant pale to deep lilac striped blooms. Bright red lolling style with yellow throat. Few FS \$ 4.00

**tommasinianus albus** An albino selection from Latvia. Much narrower petals than usual which confers a daintier “starry” look to the flowers. Very distinct and a real sweetie. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**tommasinianus “Pictus”** One of the very best selections made by E A Bowles back in the 1930s. Large dark mauve flowers, tipped eye-catching purple and a blotch of white at the extreme. Very vigorous and gorgeous. FS/1st \$ 7.00

**tommasinianus “Roseus”** Another of E. A. Bowle’s selections and without doubt the “pinkest” crocus currently on offer. Bright cyclamen pink with the exterior of the petals silvery-grey makes it a delightful combination. FS \$ 5.00

**tommasinianus “Whitewell Purple”** A very good dark purple garden selection. Equally vigorous and easy. FS \$ 4.00

**tommasinianus x vernus “Vanguard”** Very large lilac flowers with silvery

wash on the exterior faintly lined in mauve. Easy and excellent for naturalising in woodland. FS/1st Spring \$ 4.00

**tommasinianus x vernus "Ruby Giant"** Very large rich violet purple flowers in profusion in spring. Excellent in garden. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**tournefortii** Another lovely Grecian bulb very similar to boryi but has large lilac flowers deeply veined violet which flatten radar-dish like in full sun. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**vallicola** Rare autumn flowerer from NE Turkey. Creamy-white blooms sometimes veined faintly in lilac with sharply pointed tips before the leaves. Enjoys a cooler site. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**vernus ssp albiflorus** From the high meadows of alpine Europe. Smaller white flowering species spring, some stained darkly on the tube. First time offer in Australia. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**vernus "Harlem Gem"** Very large mauve flowers, greyish-silver on the exterior. Bold and beautiful. FS/1st Very Few \$ 5.00

**versicolor** Seed raised from Alps de Haute, France. Endemic to the SE France and just across into Italy. Elegant white or pale lilac flowers, feathered purple outside. FS/1st Spring \$ 4.00

## **SPECIAL OFFER**

**Crocus for naturalizing in lawn or woodlands.**

**Crocus tommasinianus - \$25.00 for 50**

**Crocus speciosus - Mixed sizes  
\$30.00 for 50**

## ***CYCLAMEN***

Probably one of the most underused group of garden plants in Australia. Long flowering periods and beautifully marked leaves throughout the year. This year's listing represents 90% of all known species.

**CYCLAMEN**

**africanum** Very much like *C. hederifolium* but with larger leaves and larger vertically ascending flowers in autumn. Needs some protection in cold areas. True stock grown in isolation from *C. hederifolium* with which it will readily hybridize. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**balearicum** Small slightly tender spring flowerer. Pretty little white flowers and beautifully marbled heart-shaped leaves. Naturally small tubers. Very few FS \$ 5.00

**cilicium** Silver stipled roundish green leaves and long elegantly twisted pink flowers in autumn. Hardy and easy. FS \$ 4.00

**coum** Plain leaf/pink flowers. Selected strain of this hardy little winter flowerer invaluable for the cheer it brings to that gloomy time of the year. Produces a succession of pink chubby blooms over a long period. FS \$ 3.00

**coum** Plain leaf/white flowers. As above but the flowers are clean snowy white with a dark pink “nose”. Very Few FS \$ 3.50

**coum** Dark flowers/dark leaves. A new vigorous strain released by us with dark leaves and flowers. Most have semi-double flowers which flatten out rather than reflex making them look like Mexican sombreros ! FS/1st \$ 5.00

**coum** Marked leaf/white flowers. As above but the leaves are more heart shaped and boldly marked in silver. A good form that originated at the famous Tinneys Nursery run by the late Jerry Munday. FS \$ 3.00

**coum ssp caucasicum** The more eastern variant of the coum aggregate. Most of the stock comes from Moscow Botanic Garden’s seed and labelled “Abschasicum”. Overall these plants throw larger pointier flowers and have heart shaped leaves which are silvery marked. FS \$ 5.00

**coum Silver Leaf Strain** A stunning selection of coum guaranteed to satisfy the most discerning of gardeners. Bone hardy, large pink flowers in winter and silver leaves, some with a deep green edge or central “xmas tree” markings. FS \$ 4.00

**coum “Selected Silvers”** The very best selections from amongst my silver leaf stocks. Unmarked bright pewter to silver leaves in mid-winter, more compact than their ‘normal’ brethren and just ‘flower for ages’. FS \$ 6.00

**coum Silver Leaf “Red Robin”** A superb selection from last year’s list. Wonderful contrast of darkest glowing pink flowers over silver leaves with a faint green ribbon on the perimeter. For anyone who sees it, it’s love at first sight! FS \$ 6.00

**coum Maurice Dryden Strain** Only recently introduced in Australia. The white flowered form of the silver leaf strain, absolutely delicious! Very few FS \$ 5.00

**creticum** Cloudy grey-green, cordate leaves mottled with bands of silver. Quite large white flowers in spring. First time offering here in Australia and a great chance to expand your collection. FS/1st \$ 8.00

**cyprum** Elegant white flowers with crimson “noses” in autumn. A fragrant gem with lovely dark scalloped leaves, for a sheltered site.

- Very few FS \$ 5.00
- cyprum ES** Highly ornamental snowflake leaf form brought into cultivation by Elizabeth Strangman from Washfield Nursery, UK. Deep green leaves boldly marked with splashes of silver. FS/1st Few \$ 8.00
- graecum** Unlike nearly all other species this one requires a relatively sunny spot to induce a good flowering performance. Large chubby pink flowers in autumn and thick richly textured leaves. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- hederifolium** Outstanding hardy species. The Ivy Leaf cyclamen is very robust and easy going, producing its pink or white flowers non-stop throughout autumn. Its beautifully marked leaves make a great ground-cover. Superb. FS \$ 2.50
- hederifolium var confusum** First time offering of this wonderful plant from Crete. Shiny, varnished-looking, large leaves with scented pink flowers in autumn. Fabulous tetraploid race. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- hederifolium "Arrow head leaf"** Extraordinarily long, narrow leaves in both silver and hastate patterns selected out of hundreds of seedlings to provide an interesting and highly ornamental strain for garden use. FS/1st Few \$ 5.00
- hederifolium "Silver Leaf"** An especially fine strain with unmarked or just faintly marked broadly arrow-head shaped leaves of silver and sage green. Extra good!! FS \$ 4.00
- intaminatum** Plain leaf. Flowers here from December to June. Never really dormant! A real miniature for a raised bed or pot. Nearly white flowers with silver-grey veins - sometimes pale pink. Hardy and delightful. Small tubers. FS \$ 5.00
- intaminatum** Marked leaf. As for the above but leaves marked and stippled in light green and cream. Very Few FS \$ 6.00
- libanoticum** One of the real stars of the genus. Exquisite shell pink flowers in late winter/spring. Summer, cool shade, dryish. Good light in winter and damp. FS \$ 6.00
- mirabile** Similar to *C. cilicium* but red underleaves and notched petals. Pink flowers in Autumn, scallop edge leaves beautifully marked silver. Very Few FS/1st \$ 6.00
- parviflorum** A dainty little known relative of *C. coum* from the Pontic Ranges NE Turkey. Deep green, orbicular leaves, almost sessile and mid pink delicate flowers in winter. Rarely offered for sale anywhere in the world. FS \$ 7.00
- persicum** The wild species from which all florist selections have been made. Though not as flamboyant as their overblown sisters, these plants have the edge in poise, possess a beautiful scent and can be easily grown outdoors. Pink blooms in Spring. FS/1st \$ 3.00
- pseudibericum** Crème de la crème! Violet to pink flowers with chocolate "noses" in spring. Notched glossy leaves marked silver. Not unlike a large *C. coum* but with a definite edge in presence. Very few FS/1st \$ 8.00

**purpurascens** One of the few times this has been offered in Australia. An evergreen woodlander which requires no dormancy. Enjoys dappled shade and provides the genus with an all year round blooming cycle by flowering in the summer. Large fragrant carmine pink flowers,  
Very Few FS \$ 6.00

**repandum ssp repandum** Elegant spring flower for shaded woodland. Carmine pink flowers with dramatically twisted petals and ivy-shaped leaves. FS \$ 4.00

**repandum album** At last we can offer a few tubers of the wonderful albino form of the type species. Huge pure white flowers over silver stippled green leaves - could be good as a cut flower! Very Few FS \$10.00

**repandum ssp peleponnesiacum** What a mouthful! "Pelops" to its friends! Almost legendary plant here in Australia. Growable out-of-doors in a sheltered site and a must for cyclaphiles. Large lobed mid-green leaves, splashed cream and white luminous pale pink flowers with red "noses". Enormously distinct from the type plant. Naturally small tubers.  
Very few FS/1st \$ 4.00

**repandum ssp peleponnesiacum var vividum** Dark pink flowered form of the above only from the eastern areas of its range on Mt Parnon in the central Peleponnese. Few only FS \$ 8.00

**trochopteranthum** Finally managed to work up a small stock of this species from SW Turkey. Orbicular green leaves stippled silver and cream with large flattened whirly-gig flowers in mid pink. Vary rare and a few only. \$10.00

**x meikleii (creticum x repandum)** Cyclamen repandum will cross readily with a number of species and these will display a mix of characteristics from both parents. FS \$ 3.00

**x saundersii (balearicum x repandum)** Again a swarm of hybrids displaying white and pink flowers with broadly heart-shaped leaves of deep green or grey-green. FS \$ 3.00

## ***FRITILLARIA***

A large and variable family of Northern hemisphere bulbs closely related to lilies but these are spring flowering. All require well drained soil, protection from wind and a fairly dry dormancy to thrive. We have greatly reduced the list this season to concentrate on the garden-worthy species although collectors will find the occasional treasure here as well. First timers try some of the easier species as skill and experience are pre-requisites for success.

### **FRITILLARIA**

**acmopetala** Tall growing handsome frit for a dryish spot in the garden. Nodding bells in green and maroon with recurved tips. Easy grower  
FS/1st \$ 4.00

**affinis** An excellent American species and one that all beginners should have in their collection. Good natured and easy flowering. Broad dark blooms flecked

- black with bright yellow pollen. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- argolica** From the sun-drenched island of Poros. Early large bells of green, reddish-brown and gold. One of my favourites. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- biflora** Coastal American fritillary with dark brown bells sometimes green-striped over shiny green leaves. Rarely available and easy in Australian conditions. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- bithynica** Glauous, long yellow-green bells, yellow interiors on tallish stems. Wonderful winged seed capsules. Collected by us on the island of Samos. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- carica** One of the most charming of the Turkish fritillaries. Grey-green leaves and dark nectaries inside its clear-yellow bells. Also from Samos where it grows amongst limestone boulders on the top slopes of Mt Ambelos. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- caucasica** This is a Czech seed collection from Iran but it doesn't conform fully to other plants I have grown of this species. Dark bells over glaucous grey foliage early in the season. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- conica** An extremely rare plant from the SW flank of the Greek Peloponnese. Gorgeously crisp, large yellow bells on 25cm stems with bright green foliage. An absolute treasure and what's more - easy! FS/1st \$ 8.00
- davisii** An exquisite endemic to the Mani peninsula, Greece. Shiny green foliage and deep chocolate bells, barely chequered. Very early and easy. FS \$ 7.00
- eastwoodiae** An American plant described as a recent hybrid between *F. micrantha* and *F. recurva*. Bell shaped flowers, slightly recurved varying from yellowish to brownish red. FS/1st \$ 9.00
- ehrhartii** Big bloomy, yellow-tipped grape-black bells that glow to ruby in the pring light. A beautiful native of S. Euboea in Greece at 25cm. Not often offered but as easy as the rest of the Greek fritillaries. FS \$ 8.00
- elwesii** Tall very graceful species from Turkey with several long dark purple bells broadly striped green. Alternate glaucous leaves. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- graeca var guicciardii** Grown from our own seed collections on Mt Parnitha, the type locality for this variety. Longer bells of glistening brown boldly marked with broad peppermint green stripes. Beautiful ! FS/1st \$ 7.00
- grayana (syn. roderickii)** A surprisingly easy American species (I wish there were more!). Closely related to *F. biflora*, shiny green leaves and shiny purple brown bells with a white blotch on each petal. FS \$ 8.00
- graeca ssp ionica** Given subspecies status by Kamari in her classification of Greek fritillaries. Found on the island of Corfu off the west coast of the Peloponnese. Differs from *ssp thessala* only slightly in having more leaves and a stronger tone of tessellation only on the petal edge. Fs/1st \$ 7.00
- graeca ssp thessala** A robust easy going species for a sunny position. Green bells with rust-red tessellations on petal fascias. Larger and more

- reliable than the type. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- gussichae** A lovely medium-sized species from Macedonia with soft yellow-green bells tinged brown on the petal edge. Seldom seen in cultivation but should be good in the garden. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- imperialis** The legendary crown imperial or imperial lily. A lance-like stem carries whorls of dagger-shaped green leaves and a crown of large amber orange bells. One of the most impressive bulbs on earth. FS \$20.00
- messanensis ssp messanensis** This is a classic form with the upper leaves in a whorl of 3 above the nodding bells, variably chequered with brown purple on greenish-yellow ground on tall stems. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- messanensis ssp messanensis** These are the Cretian race collected near Mt Kedros, strikingly banded in green and reddish-brown. Very elegant urn-shaped flowers on tall stems. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- messanensis ssp gracilis** A tall and very elegant plant of quiet understated beauty from the Balkans. Very hardy and one of the most vigorous in the garden. Chestnut brown bells with shining gold interiors. FS \$ 7.00
- meleagrís** Easy in the garden and beautiful! A reliable flowerer even in heavy soil. Mauve chequered purple bells on fairly tall stems. An occasional white form may have found its way into this offering. FS \$ 3.00
- montana** Fine, elegant form bearing up to 4 densely tessellated with purple-brown. Scattered narrow glaucous leaves on tall stems. Good garden plant. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- mutica** Now about to be “sunk” into *F. affinis*. Up to 4 or 5 pendant, bowl-shaped flowers on tall stems. Most will be greenish-yellow, chequered lightly with red, narrow tepals which characterizes this species. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- pinardii** Variable species found across much of W and S Turkey. These have long dark bells over glaucous leaves and quite dwarf. Naturally small bulbs. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- pontica** A lovely garden plant of great character and cool charm. Medium to large sized green to greenish-yellow bells delicately edged terracotta pink at the tips. FS \$ 6.00
- pontica ssp substipelata** A giant island race up to 60cm tall. Much more slender and elegant plant with narrower foliage than mainland forms. Longer waisted pale green bells heavily blotched purple brown at the tips. From the Greek island of Lesbos and will take 2 more years to flower. A fine rare bulb for the garden. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- pyrenaicea** Excellent garden plant and an endemic to the mountain meadows of the Pyrenees. Broad dark purple-brown bells, opening at their mouths to reveal polished yellow-green interiors. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- rhodokanakis** Beautiful early flowering Greek species found only on the island of Hydra. Neat, broadly flaring bells in chocolate-brown tipped with gold.

FS/1st \$10.00

**spetsiotica** Another endemic from the Greek island of Spetses and found in the pine woods there. Purple-brown with yellow fascia, close to *F. argolica* but doesn't have the greenish bands of the latter. On no other lists. FS/1st \$10.00

**uva vulpis** A medium tall sturdy plant which bears glaucous brown bells tipped yellow. Not difficult and a handsome addition to a sunny spot in the garden. Very Few FS/1st \$ 8.00

### ***CALOCHORTUS***

A very diverse genus with as many names as there are flower shapes. "Mariposas" are the big tulip shaped species most sought after but the broadly bell shaped "Fairy Lanterns" and "Cat's Ears" have their own special charm. All require well drained dryish conditions to do really well but I personally have found them, with the exception of the desert dwellers, no trouble here in Hobart. A wonderful extension to the spring bulb flowering season by producing their exquisite blooms in November and December.

#### **CALOCHORTUS**

**catalinae** Erect, large white flowers edged in soft lavender with basal blotches in imperial purple. Sumptuous and one of the earliest to flower, often with the tulips. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**luteus** Large upward facing golden bowls marked inside with brown. Gorgeous mariposa tulip from California. Easy in a sunny well drained spot. FS \$ 4.00

**howellii** Beautiful, erect white flowers, darkening in the throat to smokey brown. Yellowish pink anthers arise dramatically from green glands. One year to flowering. \$ 5.00

**obispoensis** Really unlike anything else in the genus. Many small starry flowers on stiff branching 30cm stems. Hairy tufted purple-tipped yellow segments. One year to flowering. FS \$ 4.00

**palmeri** A dainty mariposa to about 30cm with pink widely bell shaped flowers, brown spotted and yellow haired inside. One year to flower. \$ 4.00

**simulans** My stock have white mariposa flowers flushed lilac with darker purple basal markings. Surprisingly easy to grow but keep relatively dry. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**superbus** Classic mariposa from Mariposa County. Glistening white with purple brown blotches and basal markings. Only a few large bulbs to go. \$ 6.00

**umpquaensis** A beautiful and very rare endemic from Lake County, California. Creamy-white flowers with a large maroon-black centre on 20cm stems. FS/1st Few Only \$ 7.00

**uniflorus** A succession of beautiful poppy-like pale lavender flowers through spring. Cool position but dry when dormant. FS \$ 3.00

**venustus** Large bowl-shaped flowers in colours varying from white to pale yellow to bright yellow and deep rose. This collection from Kern County, California all have a red base and red spots but only the whites have a yellow echo. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**venustus NNS 95-121** These are from the famous Cuddy Valley populations in Kern County. Flowers here are a stunning dark red to deep reddish purple with a plush velvety texture to the petals. Has the "I want lots of this tag" written all over them. FS/1st \$ 7.00

**vestae** Very large upward facing bowl-shaped flowers of white or lilac with deep red-maroon pencilled bases surrounded by a yellow zone. Known as the Goddess Mariposa. FS \$ 5.00

**weedii ssp weedii** Big beautiful rich yellow bowls variably tinted at the rim and intricately marked in maroon at the base which is filled with long yellow hairs. 40-80cm stems. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**weedii var. vestus** Squarish bells of opalescent grey stippled and blotched purple. Inside heavily speckled purple with a dense covering of yellow hairs. FS/1st Few Only \$ 5.00

## ***NARCISSUS***

Most of the bulbs offered here are wild daffodils from Spain, Portugal and North Africa. A good many are miniatures, fully hardy and free flowering making them great subjects for the rock garden or pot culture.

### **NARCISSUS**

**albidus var zaianicus forma albus JWB 89-23** A wonderful collection of large ice-white flowering plants with outward facing blooms of the most delicate and delightful character. Early flowering and easy. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**albidus var zaianicus ex JWB 88-15** This plant may now be placed as a subspecies under *N. romieuxii* - what a nightmare of a label!! Progeny from John Blanchard's wild collected seed from the Zaian mountains near Oulmes, Morocco. A swarm of proud, upfacing beauties from cream to soft citron yellow. Few FS/1st \$ 5.00

**albidus ssp occidentalis** One of the true aristocrats of the hoop-petticoat group. Large glistening white slightly flaring flowers on tall stems in early July. Spicy scent - one of Nature's minor miracles. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**asturiensis** Tiniest trumpet daffodil from Spain. Delightful and completely hardy gem for early flowers in the rock garden. Clear yellow trumpet held at 45 degrees on short stems with glaucous leaves. FS/1st Few Only \$ 8.00

**atlanticus** Recently re-discovered in Morocco after 80 yrs "lost" to cultivation. Very local and very rare. Utterly distinct, sweetly scented, creamy-white jonquils on 15cm stems with cup-shaped coronas. FS/1st Very Few \$ 10.00

**bulbocodium var citrinus** A pale lemon-yellow hoop-petticoat from the wet Picos mountains in Spain. Large blooms on tall stems, virtually evergreen year round. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**bulbocodium var genuinus** This form comes from the High Atlas in Morocco and has some of the largest flowers of the group. These are golden yellow in colour, the leaves upright, very vigorous. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**bulbocodium var graellsii** A John Blanchard collection of this distinct race from Sierra de Guadarrama, Spain. Greenish-white to pale greenish-yellow often with a pale green stripe extending down each side of the hooped corona. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**bulbocodium ssp obesus** This is the Farrer Medal form of this very distinct Hoop Petticoat obtained from Rannweig Wallis in Wales. Dark leaves and rich soft-yellow flowers with large satisfyingly obese horizontal flowers, a lovely fat chap !! Very Few FS/1st \$ 8.00

**bulbocodium ssp praecox var paucinervis** A long name but necessary to define it as one of the earliest bulbocodiums to flower. A fine robust race bearing big soft-yellow flowers with narrower, more funnel shaped trumpets than similarly coloured *N. romieuxii* forms. One of the very earliest of the Hoops. FS \$ 6.00

**bulbocodium ssp serotinus** For those who want a really reliable flowerer in any conditions this is it. Late bloomer with very large deep yellow hoop petticoats. An easy going crinolined lady. FS \$ 2.50

**bulbocodium var tenuifolius** Vigorous, floriferous, deep yellow hoop-petticoats. Quite dwarf in stature but with large outward-facing flowers and dark thready leaves. Ex Mike Salmon collection from Portugal. \$ 5.00

**bulbocodium var viriditubis** Possibly not a valid name but one inherited with the seed. Mid-season golden yellow blooms on tall stems. Green perianth tube with the colour extending up into the petals. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**calcicola** A choice Portugese endemic from the Apodanthae section. Up to 5 or 6 golden cupped blooms per stem. A rare and beautiful offering for the collector. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**cantabricus ssp cantabricus** Glistening white hoop petticoats that flower usually a little later than *ssp foliosus* though often a little larger and a more reliable flowerer. FS/1st \$ 3.00

**cantabricus ssp foliosus** White Hoop Petticoats that flower in late autumn through to winter. These need a good dry hot summer rest for reliable flowering. Nice little gem. FS \$ 3.00

**cantabricus ssp foliosus x bulbocodium ? Conspicuous "Nylon"** A very large and reliably flowering creamish hybrid bred by Douglas Blanchard. Very easy and a good multiplier. FS \$ 3.00

**cantabricus ssp foliosus x bulbocodium ?? "Spoirot"** A Glenbrook hybrid. Comes close to the same parentage as the previous plant only the flowers are earlier, larger and more flaring. A very beautiful crinolined lady and well worth growing. Very Few FS \$ 4.00

**cordubensis** A fairly tall growing jonquil from Sierra de Cabra, Spain. Three or four deep yellow cupped blooms on strong upright stems which have

- overlapping petals and deeply lobed coronas. Highly fragrant. FS/1st \$ 4.50
- cyclamineus** The most sought after of all the wild daffodils. Long narrow pendent yellow trumpets with fully reflexed petals. Likes it cool & moist. FS/1st \$10.00
- fernandesii** Beautiful little yellow jonquil close to *N. assoaus* with a shallow crenate cup with slight reflexed petals and thready leaves. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- hedraeanthus** Never listed before and a rare plant in cultivation being only introduced in 1950. A very distinct species with short, upward-facing pale-yellow trumpet-like flowers and narrow dark twisted leaves. In the bulbocodium group. FS/1st Few Only \$ 7.00
- henriquesii** Has been listed as a variety of *N. jonquilla* but now thought to be more closely aligned with *N. fernandesii*. A fine tallish jonquil with a deep non-crinkly cup and narrower petals than *N. jonquilla*. FS/1st Few \$ 4.00
- jonquilla** An excellent jonquil with lightly fragrant umbels of golden yellow shallow-cupped flowers on stiff rush-like stems. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- “Little Gem”** A perfectly formed dwarf pure yellow trumpet daffodil. Very early and great for pots or in the rock garden. FS \$ 3.00
- minor “Douglas Bank”** A legendary selection of this wonderful little species and named in memory of its creator. Exquisite outward facing yellow trumpet on 12cm stem over neat glaucous-grey leaves. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- poeticus flora plena** Double flowered “Poets Daffodil” with several rows on glistening white overlapping petals and red-edged disc-shaped corona. FS/1st Very Few \$ 7.00
- requienii (syn N. assoaus)** Beautiful little clear yellow jonquil. A delight in a pot or in a sunny pocket in the rock garden. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- romieuxii “Atlas Gold”** Another selection with large golden flowers providing an exceptional colour break from the usual primrose tones of this species. FS/1st \$ 7.00
- romieuxii “Julia Jane”** The voluptuous star of this tribe with fully reflexed and rolled back corona of pale primrose. Crème de la Crème. FS/1st \$ 8.00
- romieuxii var rifanus JWB 89-23** Seed-raised plants from authentic material collected in the Rif Mts., Morocco. Pale-lemon hoops with a much foreshortened corona which reveals a very much exerted style and anthers. FS/1st Very Few \$ 6.00
- romieuxii ssp mesatlanticus** A most impressive form of the sulphur-yellow Hoop Peticoat. Widely flaring coronas with beautifully scalloped edge. Highly fragrant gem and one of my favourites. Very Few FS/1st \$ 6.00
- rupicola** Rarely offered classic jonquil from Spain. Single large flat clear yellow button on each stem late into spring. Very Few FS \$ 8.00

**triandrus x bulbocodium ssp tenuifolius “Solveig’s Song”** A recent and lovely hybrid with 1 or 2 flowers on 15cm stems. Bright yellow corona and twisted spreading petals with the signature ‘goose-neck’ of *Triandrus* adds up to an elegant and much sought after gem. FS/1st \$ 7.00

**triandrus x “Angel’s Whisper”** A gorgeous late flowering gem bred by Glenbrook Bulb Farm and winner of numerous international awards. Glistening white earth-bound ‘comets’, several to each tallish stem. One of the best hybridisers minor miracles. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**waiteri** An almost legendary species from high in the Atlas Mountains of Morocco. Icy white single stars on 20cm glaucous stems. Likes a cool dormancy and protect from slugs. Very Few FS/1st \$10.00

**willkomii** A very rare and still disputed species from the Algarve in Portugal. Umbels of 2 or 3 golden-yellow deeply lobed flattened stars over erect rush-like foliage. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**“Xit”** In effect a larger improved *waiteri* of which it is a hybrid. Very fine garden plant. Very Few FS \$ 4.00

## ***GALANTHUS***

The true snowdrops are perhaps the best of all early flowering bulbs appearing through the bleakest period of the year and heralding the imminent arrival of a new season. Only a few to go. We never have enough of the cultivars, they are expensive to purchase, take ages to acclimatise and now the CITES regulations makes it almost impossible to find a supplier. Still a few interesting species and varieties listed, so take a look..

### **GALANTHUS**

**“Brenda Troyle”** A splendid snowdrop similar to “Sam Arnott” but distinct in flowering about 2 weeks earlier. Large rounded flower, deep-green, broadly heart-shaped mark. FS/1st Very Few \$12.00

**corcyrensis** Has now been “sunk” into *G. reginae-olgae* from which it differs in producing it’s leaves in mid-autumn at flowering time. Strong grower, leaves grey-green with a silver stripe down the centre. FS/1st \$ 8.00

**elwesii** Another variable species with greyish leaves which can be hooded at the tips. Generally the flower has green markings at both the base and the tip of the inner segment. Very Few FS \$ 6.00

**elwesii late flowerer** A much later form than the one offered above. Good clean inverted heart-shaped mark on inner petals. Extends the season considerably. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**“Essie Huxley”** A superb selection from the garden of a wonderful Tasmanian plantswoman and named on behalf of her. Broad outer segments of sparkling

white with a single green mark on the inner. 2 flowers to each long scape when established. FS/1st \$ 8.00

**gracilis** (syn. *graecus*) Another rare offering of an early snowdrop form NE Greece and the eastern Aegean. Distinctly twisted linear glaucous leaves with a large green mark on the base and the apex of the inner segment. Very Few FS/1st \$ 8.00

**“Lady Elphinstone”** The only fully double yellow-flowered form of *G. nivalis*. Found in Cheshire in the 1890s a lovely snowdrop which may not show its true colours until settled. A rare gem to treasure. FS/1st Very Few \$15.00

**nivalis** This is sometimes known as the English snowdrop because it has naturalised in many woods in the UK. It is a first rate plant, easy to establish and flowers every year without fail. Good increaser by offsets and seed. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**nivalis flora plena** Fully double form of the common snowdrop. An easy and rewarding plant for naturalising in the garden. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**“Ophelia”** One of the best Greatorex doubles with a neat double flower on a slender pedicel, outer segment with a pinched tip, sometimes with green markings. Earliest of the flowers and a good increaser. FS/1st Very Few \$12.00

**reginae-olgae** The first or the last snowdrop to bloom, take your pick! The flowers emerge usually before the foliage in mid Autumn, leaves deep green with a silver stripe. A native of southern Greece and needs a slightly drier warmer spot to flourish. Very Few FS \$ 8.00

**rizehensis** From Northern Turkey on the Black Sea Coast. Narrow deep green leaves. Neat rounded flowers perfectly proportioned. A snowdrop of exquisite scale. Increases well here but apparently not in UK. FS \$ 6.00

**“Sam Arnott”** or S. Arnott’s Seedling. One of the best garden selections ever. Robust grower with medium-large flowers of good substance and grey-green leaves. Good increaser. Very Few FS \$ 6.00

**“Walrus”** A wonderful dwarf selection of *G. nivalis* it has extremely long outer petals, nearly twice as long as the inner ones, just tipping the ground. First time offered. FS/1st Very Few \$10.00

**woronowii** Found in the SW Caucasus near the Black Sea coast in woodland conditions. Flowers of medium size, leaves lustrous green not unlike a smaller version of *G. ikariae ssp ikariae*. FS \$ 7.00

### ***OTHER BURIED TREASURES***

A varied selection of choice bulbous plants that are grown here at Hill View.

**Allium aflatuense** Tall growing, showy “drumstick” onion bearing a large spherical cluster of violet-purple florets. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Allium caeruleum** Sky-blue dense spherical “pom poms” on 35cm stems. A beautiful and fairly easy onion which should grow well in the garden. Very Few FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Allium caesium** A close relative of *A. caeruleum* and one of the few blue flowered onions. Bright mid-blue spherical clusters with a darker mid-vein. From Turkestan and never offered before in Australia. FS/1st Very Few \$ 6.00

**Allium christophii (albopilosum)** This glorious plant produces a large spherical cluster of star-shaped florets in silver-lilac. Like a frozen fireworks display. One year to flower. \$ 4.00

**Allium peninsulare** Urn-shaped flowers of rich claret-violet held in a loose umbel on 25cm stem. Prolific bloomer in late spring. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Allium senescens spiral leaf form** Spherical umbels of cup shaped lilac flowers on 15-20cm glaucous stems. This spiral leaved form is a delightful addition to the rock garden and its late flowering in Jan or Feb is a welcome extension to the bulb season. FS/1st \$ 3.00

**Allium siculum** syn. *Nectaroscordum siculum* Tall accent plant for the border. Beautiful bell shaped, nodding greenish-white flowers with maroon central stripe along each segment. Up to 30 flowers on 1M. High stems. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Allium uniflorum Chris'Dwarf** A beautiful dwarf form of this easy but showy American onion. Discovered by Chris Bickell it has bright lilac pink flowers in large umbels on 20 cm stems. Very Few FS \$ 4.00

**Anemone blanda** Wonderful and early these Grecian wind flowers are a pure delight either in a pot or in the rock garden. Flowers in various shades of blue over deep green finely dissected leaves. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Anemone blanda “Radar”** Bright red flowers with a white centre represents the most outstanding and dramatic colour break in this species. FS/1st Very Few \$ 7.00

**Anemone coronaria x pavonina** Very showy hybrids through shades of pale pink to red. This strain is from Highdown Gardens in Sussex. Dry rest. FS \$ 3.00

**Anemone nemorosa** The Wood Anemone. Creates mats of ferny foilage and bears soft blue daisy-like flowers in early spring. Ideal for a shady bank. FS 3 for \$ 2.00

**Anemone nemorosa alba** The exquisite white form of the above. FS 3 for \$3.50

**Anemone nemorosa “Robinsoniana”** Early large flowers of pale wisteria-blue

- the backs of petals tinged greyish pink. Time proven clone of great merit.  
FS \$ 3.50
- Anemone ranunculoides** A bright yellow wood anemone from Bergamo in Northern Italy. It's habit is similar to *A. nemorosa*. Rarely offered.  
Very Few FS \$ 4.00
- Anemone x seemanii (x lipsiensis)** A natural hybrid between *A. ranunculoides* and *A. nemorosa*. This choice and rare anemone bears large sulphur yellow flowers over dark ferny foliage in early spring. Same requirements as *A. nemorosa*. Beautiful addition to the garden.  
Very Few FS \$ 4.00
- Arum concinatum (nickelii)** Pale green spathe, spadix pale yellow to pale cream blotched purple. Leaves dark glossy green blotched silver grey. Shady sheltered site. Very Few 1st \$ 5.00
- Arum creticum** From seed collected on the Grecian Island of Karpathos. Prefers a sunny site in deep rich limey soil. Soft yellow spathe, exceptional in its delicious scent. A real gem. Very Few FS/1st \$ 6.00
- Arum dioscoridis** From southern Turkey, one of the "evil smellers". Large green spathe blotched purple/brown with green marbled leaves. Another rare offering for a shady shelter nook. Very Few FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Arum hygrophilum** Pale green spathe edged purple, spadix deep purple with dark green lance-like leaves. Very Few FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Arum italicum ssp albispatum** Glossy green unmarked leaves, pure white spathe which is marked externally with green. From the Crimea and easy in a protected site. Very Few 1st \$ 5.00
- Arum orientale** Plum-red spathe elongating in autumn with bright red fruits, deep green sagittate leaves. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Brimeura amethystina** A Pyrenees endemic bearing elegant racemes of pale blue flowers. Like a dainty little brighter blue bluebell. FS \$ 4.00
- Brimeura amethystina alba** A very fine albino form of the above. A great bulb for naturalising in the garden. FS \$ 4.50
- Brimeura fastigata** An exquisite little species from France and the only other species in the genus. Dense spikes of wide-open bells of lilac-pink to pale lilac.  
FS \$ 3.00
- Chionodoxa gigantea (of the gardens)** Not a verified name but offered as this in the trade for many years. A delectable dwarf bulb whatever its pedigree! Two or three large upward facing starry blue flowers with a small white zone.  
FS \$ 3.50
- Chionodoxa gigantea alba (of the gardens)** The albino form of the above. Large crystalline ice white flowers in late Winter. FS \$ 3.50
- Chionodoxa luciliae (forbesii)** The naming of chionodoxa has been awfully muddled over the years but finally all seems to be sorted - maybe ?? This plant has been sold under this name for 80 years now the taxonomists

tell us it should be *C. forbesii* a species from the SW of Turkey. Whatever the name, a lovely thing, bright blue with a white centre. FS/1st \$ 2.50

**Chionodoxa “Pink Giant”** A large, selected form of *C. forbesii* with tall racemes of many bright pink flowers. Very Few FS/1st \$ 3.00

**Colchicum atropurpureum** A plant of unknown origin. Still appears to be treated as a species but more likely a *C. cilicium* hybrid. Autumn flowers of deep mauve changing to deep violet-purple. A great rarity and a choice garden plant. Few FS \$ 8.00

**Colchicum baytopiorum** A rare species only recently discovered from a couple of sites in SW Turkey. Bright purple untesselated flowers in autumn, neat bright green foliage. FS/1st Very Few \$ 8.00

**Colchicum bivonae (sny. bowlesianum)** Large tessellated flowers in pink and white in autumn followed by upright bright green leaves. Only a few to go with 1 or 2 years to flower. \$ 7.00

**Colchicum boisseri** Lovely dwarf autumn flowering species with large bright lilac-rose flowers and neat narrow, dark leaves. FS/1st Very Few \$ 8.00

**Colchicum bornmuelleri** An early flowering autumnal species with pale almost white buds and greenish perianth tube. Large flowers of rosy-lilac with a white throat. FS \$ 7.00

**Colchicum cilicium pale form** Very early Autumn free flowering with soft lilac blooms that just don't stop coming up. \$ 7.00

**Colchicum cretense** A rare little species endemic to the high mountains of Crete. A profusion of dainty pink autumn flowers with yellow/brown anthers over a long period. Just a few to go this year. FS/1st \$ 8.00

**Colchicum kesselringii** Beautiful spring flowering species, creamy-white blooms with striking purplish-violet stripe along central spine of each segment. Crème de la Crème. FS/1st \$12.00

**Colchicum lusitanicum var algeriense** One of the earliest to flower in February here, so needs a little shade. Mid-sized sugary pink somewhat starry flowers before the leaves. FS/1st Only a Few \$ 8.00

**Colchicum macrophyllum** Sensational autumn species with large tessellated dark pink and white flowers followed by distinctly pleated, *veratum*-like leaves. Still small so three years to flowering. \$ 6.00

**Colchicum speciosum** A marvellous plant producing a profusion of rich goblet shaped lilac coloured blooms throughout autumn. Neat foliage. FS \$ 3.00

**Colchicum x agrippinum** An excellent early flowering hybrid. Wide funnel-shaped flowers with pointed petals that are strongly chequered purple on lilac. Neat foliage. Very Few FS \$ 2.00

**Colchicum “The Giant”** One of the largest hybrids around growing over 25cm when established. Large tessellated purple flowers with a white throat which are freely produced. FS \$ 5.00

**Corydalis diphylla** One of the easiest of the “dry summer group”. Wonderfully lobed blue-green leaves with large white flowers contrasting with brown-purple spurs. Rare offering. FS/1st \$12.00

**Corydalis solida** These are Russian forms unselected and can range from pure pink to white with anything in-between. They are easy plants for the garden and have tidy flower spikes in early spring. FS \$ 6.00

**Dicentra cucullaria** A lovely woodlander from the eastern states of the USA. Almost a bulb, sprays of pale blue-green, finely dissected leaves emerge from a cluster of ‘rice grains’ in mid spring and bear clusters of elegant white corydalis-shaped flowers in raceme. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Dichelostemma capitatum** Similar to *Brodiaea* with 4-6 pale blue tubular bells with flaring lobes on 20cm scapes in spring. Easy FS \$ 3.00

**Dichelostemma ida-maia** Legendary plant which flowers in summer after the leaves. Startling fire-cracker red bells edged green. Very Few FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Eranthis hyemalis** This is the Winter Aconite with its acid yellow flowers with the bright green ruff around the time of the winter solstice. Lovely woodlander. FS \$ 4.00

**Erythronium cliftonii** This is sometimes listed as a form of *E. multiscapoideum*. It is found only in the headwaters of the Feather River in California. Much larger flowers than the type and a very good grower. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Erythronium helanae** Lovely local species from around Mt St. Helena, California. Large milky-white flowers with a large yellow centre and yellow anthers. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Erythronium hendersonii** Running out of superlatives for members of this genus - here is another great offering. Robust species with darkly-mottled leaves, lavender-pink flowers with dark anthers and purple base, surrounded by a white or yellow zone. FS/1st Very Few \$ 8.00

**Erythronium howellii** A rare species from S Oregon. Closest to *E. citrinum* but without the typical swollen basal appendages. White flowers which turn pink with age over mottled leaves. Only a Few FS/1st \$ 7.00

**Erythronium multiscapoideum** Only offered a couple of times in Australia. White flowers with pale greenish yellow centres and white anthers over mottled leaves. Quick growing and flowers from a small tuber. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Erythronium revolutum** Mottled leaves and sumptuous rose-pink flowers make it one of the most desirable bulbs for a shaded moist site. Very Few FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Erythronium “White Beauty”** Probably a selection of *E. oregonum*. Still the best variety for the garden. A strong grower with mottled leaves and clean white flowers in early spring. Very Few FS \$ 4.00

**Gagea fibrosa** Gageas are usually small and have insignificant white to pale yellow flowers in spring. This one is a ‘goer’ with large yellow flowers, a bit

like *Tulipa altaica*. A gem for the rock garden from the Amanus Mts., Eastern Turkey. FS \$ 4.00

**Geranium linearlobum ssp transversale** Violet-purple flowers over finely dissected leaves in late spring. From Mt Chimgan, Uzbekistan. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Geranium macrostylum** A very pretty tuberous geranium from the Mediterranean. This form is from Ulu Dag, NW Turkey and bears clusters of large clear to deep pink flowers on 30cm stems over much dissected leaves. Lovely thing! FS \$ 4.00

**Geranium tuberosum** Relatively big flowers of violet purple veined darker. A little later than the preceding two species and more compact. A fine addition to the rock garden. \$ 4.00

**Hermodactylus tuberosus** Grown from seed collected on the Greek island of Poros, more commonly known as the widow iris. Fragrant unusually coloured iris-like flowers in pale green/yellow and velvety black in late winter. FS \$ 4.00

**Hyacinthella heldreichii** A rare and lovely plant like a diminutive blue hyacinth. Dense clusters of violet-blue scallop-edged bells on short stems in late winter. Very Few FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Iris attica purple-violet form** A very dwarf bearded iris from the mainland of Greece. Grey leaves strongly recurved and close to the ground. Large amethyst-purple blooms in spring. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Iris attica yellow form** Same as the above with soft yellow flowers with brownish beard. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Iris "Dardanus"** Lovely hybrid between *I. korolkuii* and *I. iberica* with tall stems and large flowers of incomparable colours. Standards veined bright lilac and falls creamy-white veined dark purple. It has oncocyclus "blood" so it must be protected from excessive and winter and summer wet. Small divisions Few only \$12.00

**Iris histrio ssp aintabensis** A very rare and choice offering from a Matthew and Tomlinson collection around Guziantep in S Turkey. A reticulata iris, flowers on slate-blue falls speckled blue and white. FS/1st Very Few \$ 8.00

**Iris histrioides** An absolute beauty. Big, blue and early with flowers of strong substance spotted white on the falls. An impressive start to the spring season. FS/1st \$ 6.00

**Iris histroides ssp sophenensis** Another Holy Grail for iris collectors. Originally from the collection of Christabel Beck (author of Fritallaries) and passed on to us by Otto Fauser. Smaller than the type but perhaps a little darker blue and more of a white zone around the falls. FS/1st Very Few \$10.00

**Iris iberica ssp elegantissima** Fabulous oncocyclus iris from NE Turkey and Armenia. Huge upright, cream standards and vertical, concave falls so densely veined in rich maroon to appear almost black. One of the TOTAL gems of my entire collection. Small divisions \$20.00

**Iris "Kathrine Hodgkin"** A beautiful and unusual reticulata hybrid between

*I. Histrioides* and *I. Winogradowii*. Once described as “bilious but beautiful”, the flowers are a hard colour to describe. Perhaps large creamy white overlaid with light yellow and azure is close. FS/1st \$ 8.00

**Iris reticulata** Plants from wild collected seed in Iran. Mostly reddish-purple but a few pale blues. FS/1st Few \$ 5.00

**Iris reticulata “Harmony”** A wonderful hybrid between *I. reticulata* and *I. histrioides*. Uniform mid blue with yellow crests to the falls. FS \$ 4.00

**Iris reticulata “JS Dijt”** Lovely mid-season reddish-purple, scented flowers with yellow crest on falls. FS/1st Few \$ 4.00

**Iris reticulata “Pauline”** Large and distinctive purple-violet variety with a white crest to the falls. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Iris reichenbachii yellow form** Another little known dwarf bearded iris from the Balkans. Large bright yellow flowers throughout Spring. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Iris “Sindpers”** An absolute legend and a Holy Grail to all bulb collectors. The only *I. Persica* hybrid, with flowers of porcelain to pale blue with sea-green and orange crests. Very early and growable. FS \$10.00

**Iris sari** Another rare offering of superb beauty but again experience is required to have any hope of success! Large flowers veined crimson or brownish purple on a yellow-creamy ground, yellow beard and a large brown-red signal patch on falls. From central and southern Turkey. Small Divisions Few only \$18.00

**Iris sp.** A dwarf bearded iris collected as seed by me on Samos Island where it grew with *fritillaria carica* and *colchicum variegatum*. Looks similar to *I. pumila* but I’m not sure. Easy to grow and earlier than *I. Reichenbachii*. Bright yellow with purplish lamina to falls. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Leucojum nicaense** Only found in SE France and all but extinct in the wild. Spring-flowering with wide white bells on 15cm stems. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Leucojum roseum** Delicate, fairy-like early autumn flowerer from Corsica. Shell pink bells on thready stems. Dark, twisted, prostrate leaves. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Leucojum tingitanum** Tall growing species from Morocco. Large clean white bells on arching scapes. Easy in dry spot. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Leucojum trichophyllum** An absolute gem with beautiful large, clear pink bells on tallish slender stems. FS Few \$ 5.00

**Merendera montana** An easy and uncommon little autumn flowering bulb closely related to colchicums. Narrow petalled bright purple pink flowers which open flat followed by a few dark narrow leaves. FS \$ 4.00

**Muscari azureum** Intense sky-blue clusters of scallop-edged bells atop of 15cm spikes. Multiplies well. \$ 3.00

**Muscari chalusicum** A lovely native of Iran this grape hyacinth carries rich

- blue spires of flowers with paler blue caps. A rare offering. Very Few  
FS/1st \$ 3.50
- Muscari comosum** The feathered grape hyacinth from the SW corner of the  
Peleponnese. Fluffy purple threads in spring. FS/1st \$ 4.00
- Muscari grandifolium** Middle Atlas, Morocco. Fine heads of blackish-blue  
flowers from china-blue buds. Non-invasive introduction. FS/1st \$ 3.50
- Muscari macrocarpum** Deliciously scented of tropicana! The lowland  
counterpart of *M. muscarimi*. Yellow flowers from purplish-olive buds. Likes  
it hot. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Muscari neglectum** “Valerie Finnis” One of the few ‘grape hyacinths’ to win  
an Award of Merit at the Alpine Garden Society’s shows in UK. A truly  
beautiful addition to our gardens. Powder-blue flowers at top of long elegant  
cones of the palest green. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Muscari sp. “Dark Eyes”** Beautiful plant with bicoloured spikes - lower  
flowers dark blue, upper a lighter shade. Easy FS/1st \$ 3.00
- Notholirion thomsonianum** A rare and lovely member of the Lily family with  
pink to mauve trumpets on delicate stems to 1M. A rare Himalayan bulb for  
the collectors. FS/1st \$ 5.00
- Oxalis lobata** A beautiful non-invasive bulb with bright yellow flowers in  
late autumn and finely dissected bright green foliage. FS/1st \$ 3.50
- Puschkinia scilloides** Late spring flowers in a dense cluster on medium size  
scapes. Whitish with bright blue stain. Lovely addition to a spring garden.  
FS \$ 4.00
- Puschkinia scilloides alba** Fine albino form of the above. Pure white and  
excellent in association with other spring bulbs. FS \$ 4.00
- Scilla bifolia** Small early flowering spring bulb for semi-shade or full  
sun. Vivid blue or pale pink blooms on short spikes have a crystalline  
quality. Useful naturalizer. Very Few FS \$ 2.50
- Scilla bifolia forma alba** A white selection of this little late winter gem.  
\$ 3.00
- Scilla bifolia forma rosea** A selection of the above made by Chris  
Brickhill at RHS Wisley. Bright pink flowers. Very Few FS \$ 3.00
- Scilla bithynica** Native of north western Turkey, not often seen in Australia.  
Easily grown and will naturalise in a slightly damp site. Bright blue heads of  
flowers in Spring and low short strappy leaves. Few \$ 3.00
- Scilla hohenackeri** An Iranian species known as the “Caspian Bluebell”.  
Early flowering with delightful soft violet-blue flowers with reflexed segments.  
Easy Very Few FS \$ 3.00
- Scilla melanina** A beautiful squill from central Turkey. Little known in  
gardens but certainly should be. Several prussian-blue flowers on 20cm stems  
in early spring. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Scilla monophyllus** As the name implies a squill with one large leaf but with a lovely cluster of 3-15 violet-blue flowers borne in a loose raceme on a 25cm stem. A lovely addition to this tribe. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Scilla siberica alba** The lovely albino form of the well known blue squill form from Western Asia. Almost crystalline bells of icy white. Superb!!  
Very Few FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Scilla siberica atrocaerula** Large flowering triploid, flowers rich deep blue on tall spikes. Only a few to go. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Serapias lingua** A very rare and beautiful terrestrial orchid from Spain. Known as a Tongue Orchid. Increases vegetatively by new tubers annually. Mid pink and red labellum. A lovely and reliable addition to any collection. Fes \$ 6.00

**Serepias neglecta** Similar to the above but earlier and slightly larger flowers of deeper tones. FS/1st \$ 7.00

**Sternbergia candida** Probably the second rarest offering on this whole list. Known only from one station on Baba Dag in SW Turkey this bulb is unique in it's otherwise yellow-flowered genus. Strap-like grey-green leaves and large scented pure-white flowers in late winter. Only a few that will take another year to flower. \$18.00

**Techophilaea cynocrocus "Leichtlinii"** Fabulous Chilean blue crocus now extinct in the wild. Deep gentian-blue flowers with large white centre. A collector's item. FS/1st Very Few \$25.00

**Tropeolum tricolorum** Slender thready stems to 2m with blue/grey lobed leaves and a profusion of maroon tipped scarlet flowers which have long upturned spurs. A handsome climber that will make a good vertical accent plant in a site with good drainage and good light. FS \$ 5.00

**Tulipa albertii** Very large eye-burning orange-red flowers on 20cm stems over glaucous blue-green foliage. A gem, first time on offer. FS/1st \$ 5.00

**Tulipa aucheriana** A refined dwarf species with flowers of deep rose-pink. Leaves prostrate and deep green. Excellent for a hot dry place in a rock garden. Very Few FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Tulipa batalinii "Apricot Jewel"** A good bold apricot-coloured flower late in the season. Easy in the garden. FS/1st Few \$ 4.00

**Tulipa batalinii "Yellow Jewel"** A fine yellow form of the relatively late flowering species. Strong grower and easy in the garden. Few FS \$ 4.00

**Tulipa clusiana** A very pretty tulip and known as the "Lady Tulip". Pure white flowers flushed soft to mid-pink on exterior on 30cm stems. FS/1st \$ 4.00

**Tulipa clusiana "Cynthia"** A cross between *T. clusiana* and *T. chrysantha* resulting in an intermediate with flowers creamy with pinkish exterior and a slightly purplish base. \$ 3.50

**Tulipa cretica** One for the collectors. Dwarf plant bearing pale to rose pink




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