

Bloomeria crocea var crocea Airy starbursts of up to 70 flowers on 30cm stems in late spring. Individual blooms are bright yellow with star-like petals, often with broad purple midribs in late spring. One for the collectors. FS/1st \$4.00

Brimeura amethystina A Pyrenees endemic, extending the season by bearing elegant racemes of flowers in late spring. Like a dainty, brighter blue bluebell. Either pale blue or white available. FS \$1.50 or 3 for \$3.00 or 10 for \$9.00

Brunsvigia josephinae Massive golden stem erupts from a great fleshy barrel of a bulb in late summer and then bursts forth into a gloriously surreal candelabrum of lipstick-red single-flower heads. Broad, glaucous blue green leaves in winter. Size ranges from 6yr. olds to 3yrs. First come first serve. \$15.00

Bulbocodium vernum Cyclamen-pink to purplish, open, funnel-shaped flowers and grass-like leaves, not unlike *Merendera vernum*, in early spring. An exclusive offering of this plant commonly known as the Spring Meadow Saffron. FS/1st \$5.00

Chionoscilla allenii Very attractive garden plant with a dense inflorescence of good-sized, bright blue flowers in late winter. Strong hybrid combines all of the merits and virtues of both parents. Exclusive offering FS/1st \$4.00

Chionodoxa gigantea alba Loose clusters of large, crystalline-white flowers are borne on strong stems throughout winter. A vigorous clone which is easy to naturalise in the garden. FS/1st \$1.500 or 3 for \$3.00 or 10 for \$8.00

Chionodoxa gigantea "Blue Giant" Vigorous form bearing loose clusters of large rich blue flowers with large white centres in mid-winter when most other bulbs are still tucked away. FS/1st \$3.00 or 3 for \$8.00

Chionodoxa "Pink Giant" A large, selected form of *C. gigantea* with tall racemes of many bright pink flowers. FS/1st \$3.00 or 3 for \$7.00

Chionodoxa sardensis A superb species from N. Turkey its rich gentian-blue flowers and a splash of a small white eye conifer upon it the crystalline, almost diaphanous quality of a living gem. FS/1st \$3.00

Chionodoxa tmoli 3 to 4 very large blue flowers with small white centres and very broad leaves in late winter. Possibly not a valid name but given to a race of plants found on Boz Dag in W Turkey. One for the collectors. FS/1st \$5.00

Colchicum bivonae (sny. bowlesianum) Large, tessellated autumn flowers in pink and white followed by upright bright upright green leaves in spring. From our own seed collections on the flanks of Mt. Taygetos, Greece FS/1st \$ 7.00

Colchicum cilicicum This particular form sends up bunches of large, honey-scented, lilac-pink "goblets" throughout autumn - an excellent species. FS \$5.00

Colchicum corsicum A dwarf autumnal species native to Corsica bearing abundant lilac-pink, stary flowers followed by neat narrow, glossy green leaves. Rare in nature and uncommon in cultivation, but easy in Australian conditions. FS/1st \$5.00

Colchicum davisii A recently described species collected in a small area of S Turkey and described in 1998. Clusters of large autumnal flowers with broad, overlapping white to very pale pink petals, lightly chequered in pale violet. FS/1st \$8.00

Colchicum lingulatum Elegant goblets of pale to deep pink on 10 cm tubes over an extended period. A native of the mountains of Attica in central Greece this is a free-flowering autumn species. Easy in a sunny position FS/1st \$4.00

Colchicum neapolitanum var. macranthum Clusters of relatively large, open-cupped flowers from purple-pink to white, lightly tessellated, in early autumn. A free-flowering native from the mountains of central Greece. FS/1st \$4.00



Colchicum "Princess Astrid" The darkest and earliest of the big autumnal hybrids. Large, rose-purple, darkly tessellated, flowers in late February. One of the best and only offered by us.

FS/1st \$6.00 or 3 for \$15.00

Colchicum "The Giant" Large tessellated purple flowers with a white throat freely produced throughout autumn. One of the largest of the hybrids but without the overgrown, floppy leaves.

FS/1st \$6.00 or 3 for \$15.00

Colchicum triphyllum Dwarf spring flowering species bearing mid-pink, goblets with black anthers over neat rosettes of three leaves. Exclusive offering

FS/1st \$7.00

Dichelostemma ida-maia Early summer bells of startling firecracker red edged green. Legendary plant from the west coast of the USA. Very Few

FS/1st \$4.00

Eranthis cilicica Turkish version of the Winter Aconite. Later flowering than *E. hyemalis*, with richer golden yellow flowers and early, finely divided, bronze early foliage.

FS/1st \$5.00

Eranthis hyemalis This is the Winter Aconite with its acid yellow flowers and bright green ruff around the time of the winter solstice.

FS/1st \$4.00

Erythronium californicum Large, creamy-white flowers with a rust-red halo around a yellow throat on tall stems in spring. Intensely mottled leaves in black and brown provide a striking contrast.

FS/1st \$5.00

Erythronium grandiflorum. 1 to 3 large, nodding, bright yellow flowers over plain, bright green leaves. Commonly known as the Avalanche Lily this widespread mountain species is little seen in gardens and needs a cool moist site to thrive. Exclusive offering

FS/1st \$7.00

Erythronium multiscapoideum Very early, long-lasting, white blooms with pale greenish yellow basal blotch and white anthers over mottled leaves in early winter. Several flower stems arise from a single tuber.

FS/1st \$ 5.00

Erythronium oregonum ssp leucandrum Race with white anthers and greenish-white flowers, often maturing pink. Striking markings in orange, dark-red or brown around yellow base blotch.

FS/1st \$6.00

Erythronium "Pagoda" Large, vigorous hybrid with numerous pale sulphur- yellow flowers on tall stems over marbled leaves in late winter. Large bulbs.

FS/1st \$ 5.00

Erythronium revolutum Easy disposition, sumptuous rose-pink flowers and heavily mottled leaves makes this one of the most desirable and by far the best bulbs for a shady vernal moist garden site.

FS/1st \$5.00

Erythronium tuolumense Long spikes of pure, bright yellow flowers over plain green leaves in early spring. Extremely rare in the wild but now well established in gardens and the parent of some of the best hybrids including "Pagoda". Easy and a good increaser

FS/1st \$5.00

Geranium linearlobum ssp transversale Large, 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 widespread over the Mediterranean region. Bears clusters of large clear to deep pink flowers on 30cm stems over much dissected leaves.

FS/1st \$ 4.00

Geranium malviflorum Very robust, tall growing species from southern Spain bearing large, violet-purple flowers with darker veins over a dark mat of filigree leaves in late spring-early summer.

FS/1st \$5.00

Hepatica nobilis Exquisite, violet blue, occasionally pink, buttercup-like flowers throughout spring and summer. These are borne on wiry stems over a neat mound of glossy, deep-green kidney-shaped leaves. This perennial woodlander is not a bulb but choice and herbaceous enough to be included in this list.

FS/1st \$8.00



Hermodactylus tuberosus The green and velvety-black, sweetly scented flowers of the Widow Iris have an unusual and quietly exotic charm in winter. Hardy outside in Australia. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris attica purple-violet forms A very dwarf bearded iris from the mainland of Greece. Large amethyst-purple blooms in spring over attractive grey, sickle-shaped leaves held close to the ground. Seed collection from Mt Parnassos. FS/1st \$ 5.00

Iris danfordiae Exquisite, intensely yellow, large, winter flowers, lightly spotted greenish- black towards the haft of the fall. Needs deep planting and lots of potash to flourish. FS/1st \$6.00 or 3 for \$15.00

Iris Dwarf Bearded "Cerulean" Wonderful early flowering Iris with large cerulean-blue flowers, cobalt blotch on falls and pale blue beard. Old variety but no name - yet. Few only FS/1st \$5.00

Iris Dwarf Bearded "Making Eyes" Creamy-white standards and plum-purple falls edged in white with a delicate ray pattern and a lemon-yellow beard. Bred in Australia by Barry Blyth in 1982. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris Dwarf Bearded "Wanganui Gem" Dark mauve standards, falls in rich purple, veined towards the haft. White beard tipped yellow. Raised by Jean Stevens in NZ. Very vigorous and good increaser. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris histriodes "Major" Large, vivid blue flowers with dramatically contrasting white ray patterning on the falls with a central lemon crest. Excellent and early, bearing its sumptuous, long-lasting blooms at the end of winter. FS/1st \$7.00

Iris histriodes "Lady Beatrix Stanley" Strong blue, violet-scented flowers clouded by with slightly darker shades and with a touch of white feathering and a yellow crest. It is characteristically a smaller plant and typical of those found in the wild. FS/1st \$7.00

Iris histriodes x "George" Very large, early blooms in sumptuous velvet-purple, white splashes to the falls and a central yellow crest. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Iris histriodes x "Katharine Hodgkin" A beautiful and unusual hybrid between *I. histrioides* and *I. winogradowii*. The flower colour is hard colour to describe, perhaps large creamy white overlaid with light yellow and azure is close. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris histriodes x "Sheila Ann Germaney" Very large sky-blue flowers, falls stippled darker blue with a yellow crest. Same cross as above and an extremely rare offering FS/1st \$8.00

Iris pumila ? A lovely dwarf bearded iris bearing large, bright, lemon-yellow flowers with purplish lamina on falls. Collected as seed on Samos its easy to grow and earlier than *I. reichenbachii*. Appears very similar to *I. pumila*. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris reticulata "Alida" A delightful sport of "Harmony" with light blue flowers marked with pale lemon blotches on the falls. FS/1st \$2.50 or 3 for \$7.00

Iris reticulata "Cantab" Stunning flax-blue flowers with lighter tips, yellow blotch on the falls that are edged in white. Very early, fragrant and indestructible. An award winning heirloom variety. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Iris reticulata "Clairette" This award winner has sky-blue standards and dark purple-blue falls with a white crest. Believed to be a hybrid of *I. bakeriana*. FS/1st \$3.00 or 3 for \$8.00

Iris reticulata "JS Dijt" Lovely mid-season reddish-purple, scented flowers with yellow crest on falls. FS/1st \$ 2.20 or 3 for \$6.00

Iris reticulata "Natasha" Delightful dwarf iris with pure white flowers marked with a bright yellow crest on the falls. One of the few "white" reticulata irises and rarely available in Australia. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris reticulata "Purple Gem" Very large flowers with dark, velvety, purple-black falls and a striking white crest. Standards a lighter shade of violet-purple. FS/1st \$2.00 or 3 for \$6.00



Iris reticulata "Springtime" Many mix ups with this variety often "Clairette" is the stand in. Deep violet-blue falls with a yellow mid-rib on a white surround. The standards are a much lighter bluebird blue. FS/1st \$3.00 or 3 for \$8.00

Iris schachtii Clear, mid-yellow form of this fine dwarf bearded iris that is endemic to central Anatolia, Turkey. A late spring delight, its large, showy standards trace the shape and arrangement of nautilus shells. FS/1st \$5.00

Iris suaveolens yellow form (Farrer Medal 2003) A diminutive bearded iris with flowers of clear soft yellow stained darker at the base. In this species the standards are larger than the falls and the leaves are crescent-shaped and blue-green. A Farrer Medal speaks for itself. Limit 1 per customer FS/1st \$8.00

Iris taochia purple Form Usually in shades of pale yellow and gold but this one has vivid purple flowers flecked more darkly, falls marked in a white ray pattern with a blue beard. Rare offering of this native to NE Turkey. Limit of 1 per customer FS/1st \$6.00

Iris unguicularis ssp cretensis Known as the Cretan Iris these differ from the North African plants by their more dwarf habit, shorter, narrower leaves and more intense, strikingly coloured flowers of violet and lavender over a white ground with an orange-yellow stripe running down the centre of each fall. Seed collection from the southern Peloponnese. 1st \$7.00

Iris xanthosporia (l. "Turkey Yellow") A rare, and until recently, not formally described plant found in several places in central and southern Turkey. Tall growing spuria, reaching to 100cm in height with large, deep, rich yellow flowers. Limit of 1 per customer. 1 year to flowering \$9.00

Leucocoryne purpurea Chilean "Glory of the Sun". Rare species carrying loose clusters of large, open-faced, sky-blue flowers with a star-burst central blotch in purplish-red. FS/1st \$6.00

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

Merendera soboliferum (*Merendera sobolifera*) Medium-sized, starry, white to pale pink flowers from twiggy, spreading corms, over a long period in spring. Native of southern Europe to Iran. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Muscari aucheri Bright blue, open-mouthed flowers, edged white, densely packed in medium-sized inflorescence, short, neat foliage. The true plant, originating from seed collection at Lake Abant, Turkey, and non-invasive. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Muscari anatolicum New Introduction from the Sultan Dag in Central Turkey with bicoloured, open-mouthed bells, blackish-blue at the base and contrasting white at the apex. FS/1st \$5.00

Muscari azureum (R&R Wallis 93-28) A very local plant in the wild and close to *M. chalusicum*. Dense, cylindrical racemes of open-mouth, sky-blue bells on medium stems in mid winter. True wild species. FS/1st \$1.50 or 3 for \$4.00

Muscari "Baby's Breath" A lovely new variety with very pale greenish- blue flowers that bring a new colour break from the traditional colour range. FS/1st \$3.00

Muscari chalusicum Lovely native species of Iran carrying dense spires of porcelain blue flowers - each lobe like a tiny opalescent pearl. Rare offering. FS/1st \$5.00

Muscari macrocarpum Deliciously scented lowland counterpart of *M. muscarimi*. Yellow flowers from purplish-olive buds. Reminiscent of tropical fruit! A choice offering and one of the gems of the tribe. FS/1st \$6.00

Muscari muscarimi Racemes of pale lemon to porcelain blue flowers from grey-tinted buds. Fabulously scented and esteemed throughout Mediterranean civilisation. As the name suggests, evocative of warm vanilla-musk. FS/1st \$6.00

Muscari pallens Beautiful species from the northern Caucasus bearing its palest of pale blue pearly clustered flowers, often stained darker at base, in late spring. FS/1st \$4.50



Muscari “Pink Sunrise” We always think of grape hyacinth as coming in various shades of blue or sometimes white. Now we have pink! This variety produces a wealth of tightly packed rose pink flowers on short spikes in early spring that continue on throughout the season. FS \$4.00

Muscari species nova “Dark Eyes” Handsome bicolour with the lower flowers dark blue and the upper flowers, sky blue. Collected in the Northern Caucasus and distributed by Janis Ruksans from his nursery in Latvia. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Muscari species nova “Sky Blue” From the same collection and distributed by Janis Ruksans. Lower half of flower is light blue, the upper half, pure white. A strikingly beautiful combination. FS/1st \$5.00

Notholirion thomsonianum A rare and lovely member of the Lily family with pink to mauve trumpets on delicate stems up 1m. A choice, easy Himalayan bulb given a little shade in the garden. FS/1st \$5.00

Ornithogalum sibthorpii Dwarf plant bearing dense clusters of glistening white, starry flowers with peppermint green stripe on reverse nestled on neat, dark, green leaves. From seed collection at Ephesus in western Turkey. Choice offering. FS/1st \$4.00

Ranunculus ficaria “Double Gold” Can't find a name for this form. Fully double, golden-yellow rosettes with a greenish-black reverse. FS/1st \$5.00

Ranunculus ficaria “Collarette” Bright yellow, densely packed anemone-centre with a halo of much broader single petals around it. FS/1st \$3.50

Ranunculus ficaria “Ken Aslet's Double” Fully double, white rosettes kissed pale primrose in the centre with a dark grey reverse. FS/1st \$5.00

Ranunculus ficaria “Green Petal” An exceptional and highly unusual form bearing fully double, emerald green flowers splashed with a hint of yellow. FS/1st \$5.00

Romulea hartungii (syn. *R. grandiscapa*) Large, purple, crocus-like flowers with yellow throat over neat, wiry foliage in spring. Easy in a sunny pocket. Much neglected but rewarding genus, this species is from the Canary Islands. FS/1st \$3.50

Romulea requenii Intensely violet crocus-like flowers with bright yellow anthers hover over coiled, prostrate leaves of dark green. Corsican endemic at home in southern Australia. One of the most attractive of the European species. FS/1st \$3.50

Scilla bifolia The earliest of all the scillas pushing up its buds of bright blue or pink in the chill of mid-winter, a perfect companion to the snowdrops. 3 for \$2.50 or 10 for \$6.00

Scilla bifolia var. praecox The earliest of all the scillas pushing up its bright blue buds in mid winter along with the snowdrops, a perfect companionship. FS/1st \$ 3.00

Scilla bithynica Bright, sky-blue heads of flowers throughout spring with neat, short strappy leaves. Will naturalise in the garden. FS/1st \$3.00 or 3 for \$8.00

Scilla caucasica “Talish” Similar to *S. armena* but has larger flowers and more of them on each compact raceme and they are of an especially intense and attractive blue. Exclusive offering of this rare Caucasian species. FS/1st \$5.00

Scilla cilicica Rare species from southern Turkey to Israel bearing its good-sized blue stars, with a hint of violet, in mid-spring over attractive fresh green leaves produce, unusually. These remain adpressed to the ground and create an excellent groundcover. FS/1st \$4.00

Scilla hohenackeri An Iranian species known as the “Caspian Bluebell”. Early flowering with delightful soft violet-blue flowers with deflexed segments, similar to a blue erythronium. FS/1st \$ 4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Scilla melaina A beautiful squill from central Turkey. Fine garden plant bearing several prussian-blue flowers on 20cm stems in early spring. FS/1st \$ 4.00



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 and makes a fine showing in the garden. FS/1st \$4.00

Scilla siberica atrocaerulea Flowers of the deepest, rich blue with black anthers and pollen on tall spikes. This large flowering form is the best. FS/1st \$2.50 or 3 for \$7.00

Scilla tubergeniana A gorgeous thing with broad sessile leaves and clusters of light porcelain-blue flowers darkly striped along the mid rib. FS/1st \$3.00

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. Few only. FS/1st \$9.00

Serapias olbia A very rare plant now highly protected in its native home of southern Provence. Similar to *S. neglecta* but has a darker red flower and a broader, darker labellum. One for the collectors. FS/1st \$9.00

Sploxene capensis Known as the Peacock flower, it occurs in several striking colour variations. Need full sun for them to open well and a dry summer rest to keep the small bulbs happy. FS/1st Gold/Mahogany \$4.00 White \$5.00

Techophilaea cynocrocus "Leichtlinii" Fabulous Chilean blue crocus now all but extinct in the wild. Deep gentian-blue flowers with large white centre. As the varietal name will attest, this is a collector's item. Very Few FS/1st \$20.00

Trillium cuneatum Broad, stemless, mottled leaves with pale fawn to maroon flowers in spring. A lovely and rare offering. FS/1st \$9.00

Tulipa aucheriana A charming dwarf species with starry flowers of deep rose-pink and coiled, prostrate, grey-green leaves. Great in pots or the rockgarden. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa batalinii "Honky Tonk" Soft, pale yellow flowers with pink staining towards the tip on medium stems. Perhaps is the closest cultivar to the legendary *T. clusiana* f. *cashmiriana*. FS/1st \$5.00 or 3 for \$12.00

Tulipa chrysantha "Tubergen's Gem" A new and very distinct form with large upright flowers on tall stems. The inner petals are yellow/orange, with slight red feathering, the outer petals dark red with darker central line. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa clusiana "Taco" Another fine selection of this highly variable species, large cups of dark gold stained bright red on the outside, on medium stems, light up the garden in mid spring. FS/1st \$4.00

Tulipa fosteriana "Purissima" (syn. White Emperor) Very early, huge, pure white flowers which develop just a hint of cream as they age. The whole confection contrasts dramatically with its jet black anthers and lemon throat. Deliciously scented. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00

Tulipa kaufmanniana "Hearts Delight" Early flowering form of this species with large creamy-white blooms flushed pink on exterior. The segments are held in an elegant urn shape hence the name Water-Lily Tulip. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa kolpakowskiana Medium-sized bright yellow, chalice-shaped flowers flushed a soft cherry-red over grey, wavy-edged leaves. A good garden plant with big credentials for a good garden having received an Award of Garden Merit by RHS. FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa hageri Charming dwarf dry garden species from southern Greece bearing ruby-red to dusky copper flowers stained bronzy-green on the exterior, blackish centre, sometimes edged yellow. FS/1st \$4.50

Tulipa hageri "Piccolo" Distinct and lovely form of the above with flowers of soft orange flushed light bronze on exterior with a conspicuous black base banded in gold. FS/1st \$4.50



Tulipa linifolia A stunning dwarf species for the rock garden. Brilliant vermilion-red, widely cupped flowers with a jet-black base. Prostrate, undulating, red-edged leaves.

FS/1st \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

Tulipa montana One of the outstanding dwarf species bearing large flowers of vivid current-red Small black-blue centre base on short stems. Undulate, waxy, blue-green leaves. A stunner!

FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa saxatalis Native of Crete bearing large, broadly cup-shaped flowers of mallow-pink with a large bright yellow base. A striking combination.

FS/1st \$4.00

Tulipa sprengeri Very rare tulip recorded from a small area In Northern Turkey and possibly now extinct there. The last of its tribe to flower bearing bright scarlet blooms with olive-green tinge to the exterior.

FS/1st \$4.00

Tulipa stapfii Rare species from Iran closely related *T. stylosa* bearing eye-burning red, broadly cupped flowers, centrally marked with a black blotch, on short stems.

FS/1st \$6.00

Tulipa tarda 3 or 4 widely cupped, bone-white flowers with a large bright yellow basal blotch on short stems. Bright, glossy green leaves are edged in red.

FS/1st \$4.00 or 3 for \$11.00

Tulipa turkestanica A multiflowered species from central Asia bearing up to 12 ivory-white blooms with a deep orange-yellow base. Neat grey leaves.

FS/1st \$20 or 3 for \$5.00

Tulipa vvedenskyi Everything a tulip should be with its large, brilliant red flowers on tall stems over undulate, grey-green leaves. A stunning, vibrant masterpiece of a plant!

FS/1st \$5.00

***Thanks for reading thus far and I
hope there is something on this
list that tempts a try, cheers,
Marcus and Crew***

Thanks to Ian Young for the catalogue photograph of *Iris histrioides* and his wonderful Bulb Log on the SRGC website <http://www.srgc.org.uk/logs/index.php?log=bulb> – check it out, as well as the excellent online magazine, the International Rock Garden <http://www.srgc.org.uk/logs/index.php?log=international>

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