

[Mark Smyth](#)
[\(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 492
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 11:39 am:

here are some of the Celandines available here in the UK
'Coffee Cream'

'Coppernob'

'Damerham'

'Green Petal' but more likely 'Salad Bowl'

'Green Petal'

'Randal's White'

[Paul Tyerman \(Tyerman\)](#)

Intermediate Member
Username: Tyerman

Post Number: 76
Registered: 10-2004

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 11:47 am:

Mark,

So what are the leaves on all of these like? Are they ornate types, or more towards the plain green? I just cannot get over 'Coppernob'. That is just stunning. The Green doubles are rather different too.

Not sure that that many different types have been imported over here.... are 'Brambling' and 'Brasen Hussy' varieties of ficaria that you have over there? I have always assumed that they were imported plants, but I guess they could be local. Without knowing history I have no idea.

[Mark Smyth](#)
[\(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 494
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: ★★★★★
Votes: 1 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 11:56 am:

No leaves are identical even on the same plant. My flatbed scanner isnt working, since i got XP, or I would have gone out and picked leaves to scan. It's very difficult to get a good shot of a leaf as they are very shiny. 'Tortoisshell' is a lovely leaf as is ? with black leaves.

This is my plant which appeared between two others. It has 13 petals

[Mark Smyth](#)
[\(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 495
Registered: 10-2003

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 12:47 pm:

here are a few leaves

'Brambling'

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

another I found as yet un-named. Answers on a postcard to ...

'Tortoiseshell'

[Carol Shaw \(Carol\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Carol

Post Number: 260
Registered: 2-2004

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 5:30 pm:

Wow stunning Mark

[Paul Tyerman \(Tyerman\)](#)

Intermediate Member
Username: Tyerman

Post Number: 79
Registered: 10-2004

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, December 11, 2004 - 8:41 pm:

Mark,

What colour are the flowers of your as yet unnamed one? That leaf is very similar to one I was talking about in the other thread where the ficaria first came up. The flowers of mine are single with strong orangey centre and yellow outer petals. Very noticeable when in flower, but the leaves themselves are fascinating with the dark central line and other markings.

[Lesley Isabel Cox \(Lcox\)](#)

Member
Username: Lcox

Post Number: 41
Registered: 10-2004

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Sunday, December 12, 2004 - 4:34 am:

Paul I'm wondering if your orangey one isn't what we here know as R. f. `Cuprea?'

If you're into breeding in a big way, it seems there could be as much potential with this species as with the genus Hepatica.

[Mark Smyth \(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 497
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Sunday, December 12, 2004 - 5:37 pm:

for interest if you want to see my list feel free to email me.

Carol, these are very exciting plants provided you remember to deadhead them.

Paul, my plant has yellow flowers.

[Mark Smyth \(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 499
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Sunday, December 12, 2004 - 9:28 pm:

I'll add the list here because my email isnt working

'Aglow in the Dark'
'Albus'
'Art Nouveau'
'Ashen Primrose'
'Bantam Egg'
'Brambling'
'Brazen Child'
'Brazen Hussey'
'Bregover White'
'Broadleas Black'

brown seedling
'Camouflage'
'Chedglow'
'Coffee Cream'
'Coker Cream'
'Collarette'
'Coppernob'
'Coy Hussey'
'Crawshay Cream'
'Damerham'
'Deborah Jope'
'Double Bronze'
'Double Cream'
'Double Mud'
'Double White'
'Dusky Maiden'
'Farnham'
flore plena
'Fried Egg'
'Green Petal'
'Holly Bronze'
'Holly Green'
'Hullavington'
'Hyde Hall'
'Jane's Dress'
'Ken Aslet double'
'Leo'
'Limelight'
'Little Southy'
'Mobled Jade'
'Newton Abbott'
'Okenden Cream'
'Orange Sorbet'
pale yellow form
'Primrose'
'Primrose Brassy'
'Primrose Elf'
'Red Cuckoo'
'Roz's Variegated'
'Ruth Hoskin'
'Salmon's White'
'Sheldon Night'
'Sheldon Silver'
'Single Cream'
'South Downs'
'Tattoo'
'Torquay Elf'
'Tortoiseshell'
var aurantiacus
'Winkworth'
'Yaffle'

[Mark Smyth](#)
[\(Mark_n_ireland\)](#)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 514
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Wednesday, December 15, 2004 - 11:37 pm:

Paul today I took 13 photos to show leaf variation of *Ranunculus ficaria*. I'll not post them here but I'll redo the photo album on my web site. It's very poor and badly needs sorted out!

Here is some more eye candy
'Orange Sorbet'

	'Bantam's Egg'
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 516 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Thursday, December 16, 2004 - 11:37 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Paul and everyone else as promised here is the link to the Ranunculus ficaria photo album www.marksgardenplants.com/ranunculus_ficaria.htm</p> <p>There are only thumbnails for the next day or two until I get individual pages done.</p>
<p>Paul Tyerman (Tyerman) Intermediate Member Username: Tyerman</p> <p>Post Number: 87 Registered: 10-2004</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Friday, December 17, 2004 - 2:01 am:</p> <hr/> <p>Mark,</p> <p>What a list!! I had no idea there were even remotely that amount of them around. I think at some point I'll have to see if you can collect me a few seeds (if you don't mind leaving a few seedheads on for me) from various of the named ones. I have certainly seen nothing like half the flowers you've posted pics of, and unless someone is importing them I doubt I WILL either! LOL</p> <p>I'll give it a couple of days then go in and look at your photo album..... to give you a chance to get the pages done. I think it is going to be fascinating..... I just had no idea that there was this variance!!</p>
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 520 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Friday, December 17, 2004 - 10:28 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>ta-daa!!</p> <p>I finished it this morning and uploaded it before work. I just finished fixing a few missing images and links. Enjoy.</p>
<p>Paul Tyerman (Tyerman) Intermediate Member Username: Tyerman</p> <p>Post Number: 90 Registered: 10-2004</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Saturday, December 18, 2004 - 11:43 am:</p> <hr/> <p>Lovely Mark!! Those ones like colarette etc with the double bunch in the centre are just SO different. Beautiful pics!!</p>
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 525 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Saturday, December 18, 2004 - 8:48 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>there are 2 sets of two photos on there of the same plant. For reason I named them wrong and I suppose I shouldnt have put them on there. I sort them out and add more as the season progresses</p>
<p>Lesley Isabel Cox (Lcox) Intermediate Member</p>	<p>Posted on Sunday, December 19, 2004 - 3:48 am:</p> <hr/>

<p>Username: Lcox Post Number: 56 Registered: 10-2004</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Those celandines are certainly something! And only thumbnails. Wish mine were so colourful and varied. The whole lot are pinkish, usually edged with black!</p>
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n_ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 530 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Sunday, December 19, 2004 - 7:21 am:</p> <hr/> <p>Lesly they aren't thumbnails anymore. Since Friday each thumbnail is linked.</p> <p>I slaved into the wee hours last night changing the home page www.marksgardenplants.com because Paul discovered the folding menu didnt open for those using Netscape. I'm now up for work very tired and it's our crimbo do tonight.</p>
<p>Paul Tyerman (Tyerman) Intermediate Member Username: Tyerman</p> <p>Post Number: 93 Registered: 10-2004</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Sunday, December 19, 2004 - 11:42 am:</p> <hr/> <p>Yeah.... my fault. I should have kept quiet and not mentioned it instead of making all that work for you. :-(</p> <p>I can only guess that "crimbo do" means your "christmas party"? I can't say that I have seen "crimbo" as a slang word for christmas, but you ARE a foreigner after all!! LOL</p>
<p>Gwendolen Mary Black (Gwenb) New member Username: Gwenb</p> <p>Post Number: 6 Registered: 1-2005</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Wednesday, February 02, 2005 - 3:32 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Hi Mark, have been enjoying your celandine thumbnails in your photo album 2 and can help with the one named ? Double Mud. The photo shows a typical 'collarette' type flower which Double Mud is not. D M is synonymous with Double Cream which was the name W Ingwerson distributed under. John Carter uses Double Mud as the name of precedence since the plant was registered as such. Regarding the collarette types, I find that a number of named cultivars are virtually identical with the original R fic Collarette which is often distributed as E.A.Bowles or Anemone Centred. R fic. Mimsey looks very similar as does R fic. Trenwheal and R fic. Quillet. There is no doubt that similar variations arising in different parts of the British Isles have been named and give rise to these mistakes</p>
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n_ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 727 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Tuesday, February 08, 2005 - 7:37 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>here are two more to keep you interested 'Coker Cream'</p> <p>'Limelight'</p>
<p>Gwendolen Mary Black (Gwenb) Recent Member Username: Gwenb</p> <p>Post Number: 13 Registered: 1-2005</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Monday, February 14, 2005 - 6:30 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Mark,I am admiring your Picture of R fic.LIMELIGHT which I also grow. It is a mouthwatering colour. Do you have any luck with R fic. BUDGERIGAR? I have not been able to see much difference and welcome your views. Maybe mine is a rogue seedling. Lots of buds on the celandines but a really cold spell of weather is delaying progress. Still one can admire the fancy foliage whilst waiting.</p>

<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n_ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 747 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Monday, February 14, 2005 - 7:49 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Gwen I dont have 'Budgerigar'. I bought new plants this weekend - 'Lambrook Variegated', 'Lemon & Lime', 'Chedworth' and 'Primrose Brassy'</p>
<p>Mark Smyth (Mark_n_ireland) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Mark__n_ireland</p> <p>Post Number: 974 Registered: 10-2003</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Friday, April 15, 2005 - 10:56 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>This is the tiny R. ficaria 'Holly' with Holly shaped leaves. If I had known my nails looked this bed I would have got a manicure</p> <p>and an exciting seedling for Gwen and I at least. What do you think Gwen?</p> <p>So much for my dead heading!!</p>
<p>Paul Tyerman (Tyerman) Senior Member (posting super hero) Username: Tyerman</p> <p>Post Number: 393 Registered: 10-2004</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Friday, April 15, 2005 - 11:28 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Mark,</p> <p>Are those dark and light leaves on the same plant? Does that mean that the lighter leaf is a more mature leaf and it will stay that way, or are they just throwing different leaves at different times? With that contrast between them it almost looks like some sort of deficiency, except if it was then the bottom leaf would have had some sort of marbling on it. If that plant stays the colour of the marbled leaf if will certainly be something!!</p> <p>Paul T. Canberra, Australia.</p>
<p>Gwendolen Mary Black (Gwenb) Intermediate Member Username: Gwenb</p> <p>Post Number: 51 Registered: 1-2005</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 8:59 am:</p> <hr/> <p>Hi Mark, The seedling is exactly the sort of Babe I like to find in the garden. It needs to be grown on for a year or two of course and watched to see how fixed the leaf colours and patterns are and to await the crowning moment when the flower colour makes itself evident</p> <p>Paul The appearance of different colours or patterns of leaves on one celandine plant is fairly common. Newly emerged leaves can become more desirable as they mature or the very opposite can happen. Light conditions, air temperature and genetics all play their part. If I were asked to foretell the performance of Mark's seedling I would say that the new red leaves will be stable, darkening as they mature, but the extreme 'silvering' on the oldest leaf may be a one-off. Time will tell</p>
<p>Anne Wright (Annsie) Intermediate Member Username: Annsie</p> <p>Post Number: 69 Registered: 2-2005</p> <p>Rating: N/A Votes: 0 (Vote!)</p>	<p>Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 6:20 pm:</p> <hr/> <p>Can someone ID this celandine for me, given to me by my Aunt, who buys wonderful plants but doesn't care about names. It is sterile.</p>

Mark Smyth
(Mark_n_ireland)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 977
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 6:39 pm:

simply flore plena but it may have an aka

Gwendolen Mary Black
(Gwenb)

Intermediate Member
Username: Gwenb

Post Number: 53
Registered: 1-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 6:44 pm:

Anne, the double celandine appears to have almost plain green leaves, just a hint of paler spots. It has biggish flowers compared with its leaves and the flower form displays a green tinged eye which is not protuberant and pointed petals so on balance I would suggest it is Sutherland's Double a sterile but vigorous plant which spreads and clumps up well. It is at its best in the garden now

Gwendolen Mary Black
(Gwenb)

Intermediate Member
Username: Gwenb

Post Number: 54
Registered: 1-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 7:16 pm:

Anne, I forgot to add that R.fic flore pleno is similar but much smaller. This latter is also known as Knightshayes Double and the flower is only about 3/8 of an inch across with a very small green eye when in full display. They are similar but in general garden cultivation Sutherland's Double is much the most luxuriant with me with flowers reaching well over an inch across

Anne Wright (Annsie)

Intermediate Member
Username: Annsie

Post Number: 70
Registered: 2-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 7:49 pm:

Gwen, the largest flowers are just over an inch in diameter and the whole plant is just over a foot in diam after 10 years.

Mark Smyth
(Mark_n_ireland)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 978
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 8:01 pm:

that explains why my plant is small but my friend's is huge. I'll be a knockin' and a beggin' next week.

Mark Smyth
(Mark_n_ireland)

Senior Member (posting super hero)
Username: Mark__n_ireland

Post Number: 979
Registered: 10-2003

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 8:18 pm:

As far as I can tell they are on the same plant. I'll be lifting it tonight to put in a pot so I can keep a closer eye on it next year. I'm not sure why one leaf is yellow and one red.

Anne Wright (Annsie)

Intermediate Member
Username: Annsie

Post Number: 71
Registered: 2-2005

Rating: N/A

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 8:26 pm:

Here's a pic of 'Collarette' (I hope)

Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

[Gwendolen Mary Black](#)
[\(Gwenb\)](#)

Intermediate Member
Username: Gwenb

Post Number: 55
Registered: 1-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 9:26 pm:

Anne, When it has finished flowering you could lift and divide it. Replant in good soil with some slow release fertiliser and you will soon have several that size. Like most Ranunculaceae they like a good diet

Mark, beware, the celandines will soon have you in thrall. Today I found a Mimsey in flower [very similar to Collarette} which had a few receptive achenes rare as hen's teeth. In my everlasting pursuit of the orange double flower I then spent about an hour seeking powdery young pollen on any orange flower before I found some and introduced it to Mimsey.

[Anne Wright \(Annsie\)](#)

Intermediate Member
Username: Annsie

Post Number: 77
Registered: 2-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Saturday, April 16, 2005 - 11:35 pm:

Gwen, do you wait for them to become dormant before lifting?

[Gwendolen Mary Black](#)
[\(Gwenb\)](#)

Intermediate Member
Username: Gwenb

Post Number: 57
Registered: 1-2005

Rating: N/A
Votes: 0 ([Vote!](#))

Posted on Sunday, April 17, 2005 - 8:35 am:

Anne, my habit is to lift and divide when they are in good growth because I want to be sure I am not getting illegitimate children. Not necessary with a sterile cultivar and then instinct tells me that it is better to let the plant make maximum growth and prepare its flower buds for next year so wait till it is on the verge of dying down. Wait till that is imminent but you can still see what is what re divisions and tubers