November 15, 2017

2017 CULTURE TRIAL RESULTS

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PERENNIALS WITH STAYING POWER™

Program Parameters

- All liner inputs were 30mm elle pots
 - Generally 5-7 weeks URC stick 'to ready' in elle pots
- None of the liners had vernalization
- All finished containers were 2.5 qt. (trade gallons)
- All finished containers top dressed with Harrell's 13-5-9 slow release feed
- All containers had drip irrigation and supplemental feed via irrigation as needed
- All material was grown in West Grove, PA (south-central PA)
- No fungicides or PGR's were applied
- No Florel or Configure was applied to the production
- All were grown in full sun on black fabric
- We added a 4th flowering trial for Labor Day and beyond this year

Agastache Little Adder



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 Pinch: none Photo: 6/23/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 Pinch: none Photo: 7/13/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/24/17 Pinch: none Photo: 8/11/17

Nepeta Jr. Walker





Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Photo: 6/23/17

No pinch

Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 Photo: 7/13/17

No pinch

Nepeta Jr. Walker



Group 3: Planted: 6/27/17 Photo: 8/11/17

No Pinch



Leucanthemum Ooh La LaSpider





Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 No pinch Photo: 9/21/17

Leucanthemum White Magic



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/13/17



Leucanthemum White Magic



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 No Pinch First color: 8/23/17 Photo: 10/20/17

Salvia Rose Marvel



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/23/17 Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 Pinch: 7/25/17 Photo: 8/15/17 Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 Pinch: 8/2/17 First color: 8/30/17

Salvia Rose Marvel Some points to consider:

- Group 3 is more uniform – better retail presentation
- Group 3 is more pots per cart
- Group 1 has not been cut back but is not flowering well. Also – you'd need to clean the pot!
- Group 2 is beefy, but will you get any more money for it?
- Grow it for when you need it – reduce your labor!

Group 1 Planted: 5/3/17 Photo: 8/11/17 Group 2 Planted: 6/14/17 Photo: 8/11/17 Group 3 Planted: 6/28/17 Photo: 8/11/17

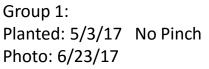
Don't forget Blue Marvel & The Lyrical Series!

Group 4: Planted:7/19/17 Pinched: 8/2/17 Photo: 9/4/17



Penstemon Polaris Magenta







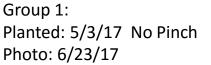
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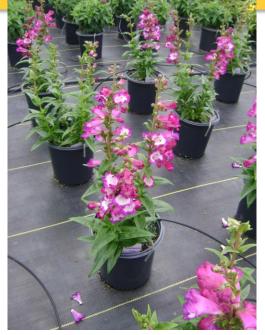


Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 No Pinch First color: 9/13/2017

Penstemon Polaris Purple







Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/13/17



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 No Pinch Photo: 9/20/17

Penstemon Polaris Rose



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 Photo: 6/23/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No pinch Photo: 7/13/17

Penstemon Quartz Amethyst



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 Pinched 5/17/17 Photo: 6/23/17



Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/13/17



Group 3: Planted: 6/28/18 No Pinch Photo: 8/2/17

Penstemon Mission Bells Deep Rose



No Pinch

Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/16/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 Photo: 7/4/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 Photo: 8/11/17 No Pinch Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 No Pinch First color: August 30, 2017

Phlox Cherry Cream





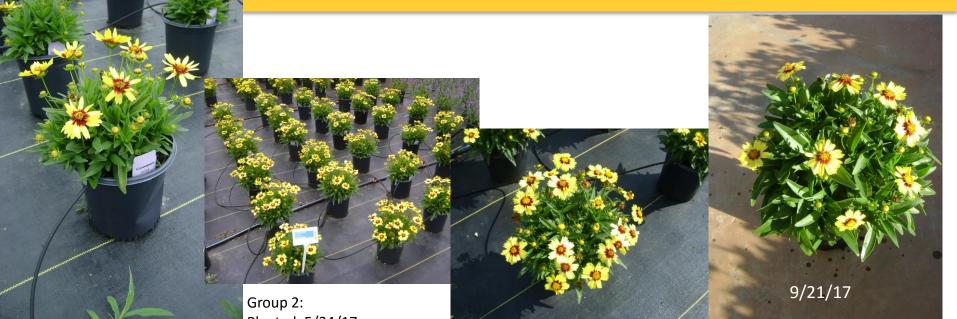


Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 Pinched: 5/17/17 Photo: 7/13/17

Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 First color: 7/19/17 Pinched 6/7/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 Pinched 7/12 First color: 8/16/17

Coreopsis UpTick



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/23/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/11/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 No Pinch Photo: 8/11/17 Group 4: Planted: 6/19/17 No Pinch First color: 8/23/17

Perennial Combinations



Mirage Salvia Trio: Planted: 5/24/17 Photo: 7/13/17



Arctic Blaze Salvia, Bandwidth and Iberis Summer Snowdrift Planted: 5/24/17 Photo: 7/13/17



Achillea New Vintage Trios: Planted: 5/24/17 Photo: 7/13/17

Salvia Sensation Medium Purple Rose









Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/23/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 Pinched: 6/21/17 Photo: 7/21/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 Pinched: 7/25/17 Photo: 8/11/17 Group 4: Planted: 6/19/27 Pinched: 8/2/17 First color: 8/23/17

Salvia Sensation Medium Light Rose



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/23/17



Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 Pinched: 6/21/17 Photo: 7/21/17



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 Pinched: 8/2/17 First color: 9/6/17

Salvia Sensation Medium Deep Blue





Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 Photo: 6/23/17

Group 2: Planted: 5/21/17 Pinched: 6/21/17 Photo: 7/21/17

No Group 3 & 4 trials

Monarda Balmy Rose





Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/13/17

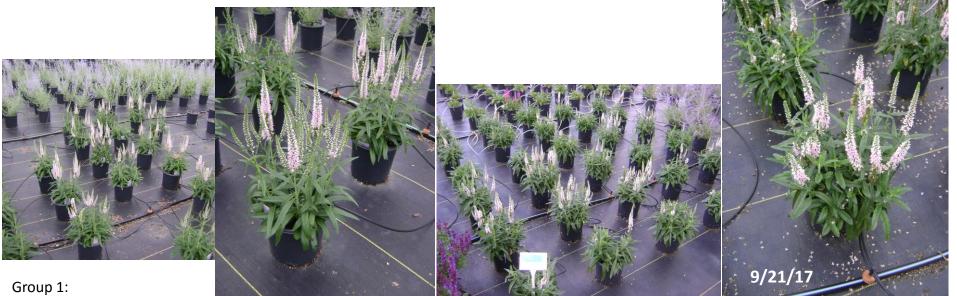
Penstemon Rock Candy Pink





Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/4/17

Veronica Moody Blues Pink



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/13/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 Pinched: 7/25/17 First color: 8/16/17

Perovskia Crazy Blue



Group 1: Planted: 5/3/17 No Pinch Photo: 6/23/17 Group 2: Planted: 5/24/17 No Pinch Photo: 7/21/17

Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 No Pinch Photo: 8/15/17

Perovskia Blue Spritzer



Group 3: Planted: 6/28/17 No pinch First color: 8/2/17



Helianthus Autumn Gold



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 (liner pinched once)

Pinched: 8/2/17

First color: 10/4/17

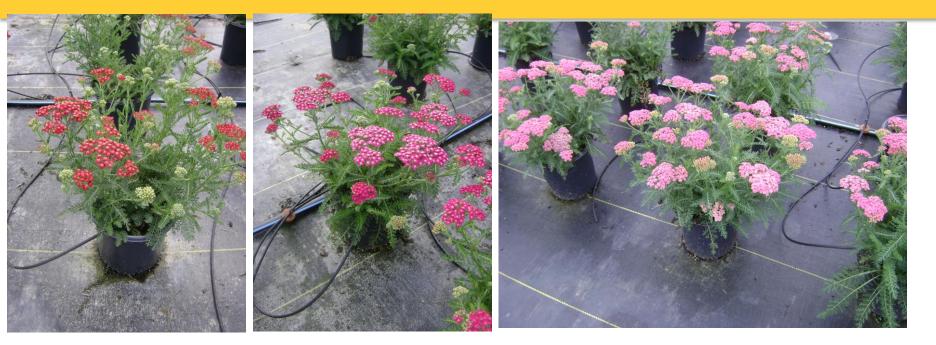
Photo: 10/21/17

Lavender Super Blue



Group 4: Photo: 10/20/17

Achillea New Vintage



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 First color: 9/13/17

Pinched 8/16/17

Photo: 10/5/17

Achillea Moon Dust



Group 4: Planted: 7/19/17 Pinched: 8/16/17 Firs color: 9/13/17

Photo: 10/5/17

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