

## New Plant Introductions—The European Scene

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My contribution is a slide presentation of new and novel woody and perennial plants. Some of these novelties are grown in large quantities, especially in nursery areas. Others are new and only obtainable in very limited quantities, often directly from the raiser. Most of the novelties which I will show are extremely hardy under Dutch climactical conditions. On the other hand a number of plants have been shown which Dutch growers have in their nurseries, often in large quantities, for export to countries with a milder climate. A good number of the plants have received awards such as an Award of Recommendation, an Award of Merit, a First Class Certificate, and/or awarded a Gold or Silver Medal at several exhibitions, for example "Flora Nova" at Boskoop. These awards have been given by the Judging Committee of the Royal Boskoop Horticultural Society. The Judging Committee will celebrate its centenary in 1994.

Since 1964 all the awarded plants have been published with more or less extensive descriptions in *Dendroflora*, a yearly publication of the Royal Boskoop Horticultural Society and the Dutch Dendrology Society. For a number of years, most of the plants receiving awards have a full colour photograph in this journal paid for by the raisers or the Dutch introducers.

### NOVELTIES CULTIVATED IN HOLLAND

*Acer campestre* 'Royal Ruby'—young leaves purplish-red, deepening with age.

*Amelanchier ovalis* 'Helvetia'—very dwarf habit, flowers creamy white, fruits bluish-black, numerous.

*Aucuba japonica* 'Fukurin'—leaves bright green, bordered golden-yellow.

*Berberis* × *lologensis* 'Mystery Fire'—bright orange flowers, can be propagated from cuttings, instead of grafting on *B. thunbergii*!

*Berberis thunbergii* 'Pink Attraction'—habit spreading to more or less upright, leaves purple, young growth rosy-white variegated.

*Buddleja davidii* 'Masquerade'—leaves creamy-white variegated, flowers deep purplish-red.

*Buddleja davidii* 'Summer Beauty'—flowers bright purplish-red, July-August.

*Cedrus deodara* 'Blue Snake'—needles grey-blue, irregular ornamental habit.

*Cedrus deodara* 'Feelin Blue'—dwarf spreading habit, foliage blue-grey.

*Chamaecyparis pisifera* 'Tamu-himuro'—dwarf, globular form, foliage bluish-grey, good indoor plant.

*Clematis* 'Anita'—white flowers, deep green foliage (interesting hybrid).

*Clematis* 'Helios'—small, golden-yellow, flat-open flowers, very abundant.

*Clematis montana* 'Freda'—bright rosy-red flowers, purplish foliage.

*Clematis montana* 'Mayleen'—large, clear pink flowers, purplish foliage.

*Cornus florida* 'Cherokee Daybreak'—leaves variegated, flowers white.

*Cornus florida* 'Cherokee Sunset'—leaves strongly variegated, flowers red.

*Cornus kousa* 'Satomi'—flowers rosy-red (during hot weather pinkish), June.

×*Cupressocyparis leylandii* 'Gold Rider'—foliage bright golden-yellow, does not scorch in full sun.

*Cupressus macrocarpa* 'Wilma'—foliage yellow to light green in the shade, an improvement on 'Goldcrest, excellent indoor plant.

*Cytisus* × *beanii* 'Osiris'—more compact than the type, flower golden-yellow.

*Cytisus* × *kewensis* 'Niki'—branches weeping when grafted on standards of *Laburnum anagyroides*.

*Cytisus multiflorus* 'White Bouquet'—dwarf form, flowers creamy-yellow.

*Cytisus* × *praecox* 'Twilight'—flowers light yellow, purplish-red in bud, branch sport of *C.* × *praecox* 'Hollandia'.

*Escallonia laevis* Gold Brian<sup>®</sup>—large, golden to greenish-golden leaves, flowers deep pink.

*Euonymus fortunei* 'Harlequin'—spreading habit, leaves white spotted.

*Euonymus fortunei* 'Interbolwi' Blondy<sup>®</sup>—leaves splashed golden-yellow.

*Forsythia* × *intermedia* 'Courtalyn' Week-End<sup>®</sup>—upright growing habit, flowers golden-yellow, very abundant.

*Hosta clausa* var. *normalis*—leaves lanceolate, glossy green, flowers deep purple, stoloniferous.

*Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Blaumeise' ('Blue Tit')—ray florets deep blue.

*Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Masja'—bright red flower heads, rich flowering.

*Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Rotkehlchen' ('Redbreast')—ray florets deep red.

*Hydrangea serrata* 'Benigaku'—rosy-red ray florets, bluish fertile flowers.

*Hypericum* × *dummeri* 'Peter Dummer'—flower large, looks like a dwarf form growing 'Hidcote'.

*Ilex aquifolium* 'Canadian Gold'—leaves golden, bronzy-red when young.

*Juniperus* × *media* 'Gold Star'(true)—broad spreading habit, foliage golden.

*Juniperus virginiana* 'Blue Arrow'—looks like an improved 'Skyrocket', much more healthy.

*Laburnum anagyroides*—flowers golden-yellow, very abundant.

*Larix kaempferi* 'Little Blue Star'—extremely dwarf form (witches broom), grayish-blue needles, good as a dwarf standard.

*Lonicera nitida* 'Red Tips'—glossy green leaves, young growth purplish-red.

*Lonicera nitida* 'Silver Beauty'—small leaves, bordered silvery white.

*Lonicera periclymenum* 'Cream Cloud'—white flowers, vigorous grower.

*Malus* 'Adirondack'—large, white flowers, very dwarf habit.

*Paeonia* 'Maria Antoinette'—brilliant red, single flowers in May.

*Penstemon digitalis* 'Husker Red'—leaves purplish, flowers almost white.

*Picea pungens* 'Bialobok'—needles silvery-blue, soft yellow in spring.

*Pieris* 'Flaming Silver'—white variegated branch sport of 'Forest Flame'.

*Pieris* 'Mouwsvila' Havila<sup>®</sup>—creamy-white variegated branch sport.

*Pinus jeffreyi* 'Joppi'—dwarf selection, very slow growing, long needles.

*Pinus* 'Pierrick Brégeon'—dwarf, globular habit, needles fresh green.

*Potentilla fruticosa* 'Limelight'—large, creamy-yellow flowers.

*Potentilla fruticosa* 'Snowbird'—flowers pure white, semi-double.

*Prunus incisa* 'Mikinori'—light pink, semi-double flowers, blooms at a very young stage.

*Prunus laurocerasus* 'Goldglanz' ('Golden Lustre')—leaves yellowish, broad upright growing habit.

*Prunus laurocerasus* 'Renlo' Renault Ace<sup>®</sup>—upright habit, leaves glossy green, excellent for hedges.

*Rhododendron* 'Rendez-Vous'—dwarf growing, flowers light red, fading to almost white, nice shaped foliage.

*Rhododendron* 'Simona'—soft creamy-pink with orange-brown blotch.

*Sambucus nigra* 'Madonna'—leaves fresh green, bordered golden-yellow.

*Skimmia japonica* 'Rubinetta'—like 'Rubella', floriferous at young stage.

*Skimmia japonica* ssp. *reevesiana* 'Ruby King'—male, very floriferous, buds almost as deep as in *S. japonica* 'Rubella', very useful for florists.

*Styrax japonica* 'Pink Chimes'—flowers nodding, soft pink, very abundant.

*Syringa patula* 'Miss Kim'—buds purplish, flowers light purple, strong scent, numerous, dwarf, bushy habit, very hardy selection.

*Taxus baccata* 'Green Diamond'—globular dwarf form, very slow growing.

*Thuja occidentalis* 'Barabits Gold'—pyramidal, fairly narrow habit, foliage deep golden-yellow.

*Tiarella cordifolia* 'Oakleaf'—flowers whitish, leaves purplish in autumn.

*Viburnum rhytidophyllum* 'Superb'—brownish-pink buds, large flower heads, red fruits in August-September.

*Weigela* 'Courtalor' Carnaval®—flowers white with pink flush, deepening with age, in great profusion.

*Weigela florida* 'Victoria'—flowers purplish-red, leaves deep purple.

*Weigela* 'Red Prince'—the most red weigela, extremely frost resistant.