

FLOWER SEED CATALOGUE

2023-2024

Introduction

Dear Customers

The rainy and cold spring in Europe this year was a source of anxiety for many growers, especially for those planting outdoor beds in urban settings and in parks. The hot summer weather which followed, accompanied by sudden storms and torrential rains, also thoroughly tested the quality and resistance of flowers produced by Černý Seed s.r.o. in climatic conditions which in recent years have brought with them a number of unpredictable changes.

Climate change is also a major challenge for breeders. Their work focuses, among other things, on creating flowers which will prove resistant to extreme conditions. This is one of the reasons why we continue to develop our work in breeding of Vinca and the popular **Volcano F1** group has been extended to include the two new colours **Blush F1** and **Scarlet Eye F1**, which, just like the other varieties in this group, are extremely hardy.

However, the star of the show is our new premium group **pollen-free Pelargonium Falcon F1**, which we are introducing in the key colours **Orange F1**, **Scarlet F1**, **Salmon F1**, **Violet F1** and **White F1**. These varieties are not only pollen-free, but also have a self-cleaning effect which reduces plant maintenance to the absolute minimum and ensures endless flowering throughout the season.

Other welcome additions to our range for example include the **Begonia interspecific Sensation F1 Red with Green Leaves** and the double and semi-double flowering **Begonia semperflorens FlowerBall F1 Rose** which extend the popular groups you know so well to include key colours, increasing not only their attractiveness but also options for combining them in beds and pots.

A unique new product, unparalleled anywhere else in the world, is our early **Petunia multiflora Eyelash F1** group with veining extending to halfway of the flower and forming a circular pattern. Three colours will be available for the time being (Orchid, Salmon, Light Purple and a mixture of these). More are certain to follow in the near future.

Last but not least, the **Dot Star F1** petunia - one of the most commercially successful groups and most popular among consumers – is enhanced by the addition of the **Dark Violet Improved** variety which offers significantly more compact growth and more stable dots and spots even on hot days. Treat your customers to this great product too.

The sales achieved during the past season and the continuously expanding territories we serve continue to convince us that we are on the right track and that the seed market is not nearly as saturated nor as conservative as it might seem at first glance.

The driving force behind our work and innovation is you, our satisfied customers. Thank you for your cooperation and support, and for the opportunity to make the world a more beautiful and friendlier place together with you.

We look forward to working with you in the new sales season! Best regards Jan Černý Jakub Černý























	Petunia hybrida multiflora nana "Eyelash F1" Series						
01	E1232 Eyelash F1 Orchid						
02	E1233 Eyelash F1 Salmon						
03	E1234 Eyelash F1 Light Purple						
04	E1235 Eyelash F1 Mix						
	Petunia hybrida multiflora nana						
05	E339 Dot Star F1 Dark Violet – Improved						
	Begonia semperflorens						
06	E066 FlowerBall F1 Rose						
	Begonia interspecific variety with green leaves						
07	E114 Sensation F1 Red						
	Catharanthus roseus						
08	E1059 Volcano F1 Scarlet Eye						
09	E1058 Volcano F1 Blush						
	Pelargonium × hortorum "Falcon F1" Series						
10	E1223 Falcon F1 Orange						
11	E1224 Falcon F1 Scarlet						
12	E1222 Falcon F1 Salmon						
13	E1225 Falcon F1 Violet						
14	E1221 Falcon F1 White						

PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA NANA

PETUNIA HYBRIDA NANA

We offer an original assortment of hybrid petunias, which belong to the group of multiflora and grandiflora petunias. These varieties have been specially cultivated for the specific climatic conditions in Central Europe. They perform excellently in sunny and warm summers but nor do they disappoint in cold and rainy weather.

PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA NANA

Resistant to harsher climatic conditions, plant height 40–45 cm, well-branched, free-flowering until the end of the vegetation season, flower size 7–10 cm, excellent in flower boxes and containers. Ideal for places protected from wind and rain.





PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA NANA 04

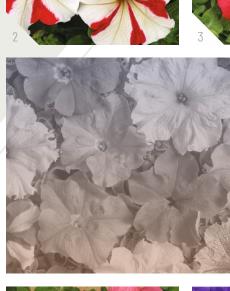






















An improved type of one of the most popular and most attractive varieties of the group of largeflowered petunias. Richly blooming, flowers of light purple shades with distinctive purple veins. The plants are well-branched and highly compact.



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E677 **Naděje F1**

E370 **Záře F1 – Improved**

variety with deep yellow flowers contra rongly with other colours, large-sized f

PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA NANA

"MISTRAL F1" SERIES

"Mistral F1" is a group of modern well-performing varieties with large blooms. The plants are characterised by low growth 30–35 cm, high compactness of the plant and resistance to adverse weather. They are early-flowering throughout the season with large blooms with a diameter of 8–10 cm; suitable for potting as well as for bed planting. The "Mistral F1" series is comparable with the very best groups in the ranges on offer.





PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA NANA 06















Mistral F1 Rosy dense intense shade E453 Mistral F1 Deep Blue Older flowers become brighter around t resulting in a combination of colour sh increases the attractiveness of this vari E509

Mistral F1 Bright Red

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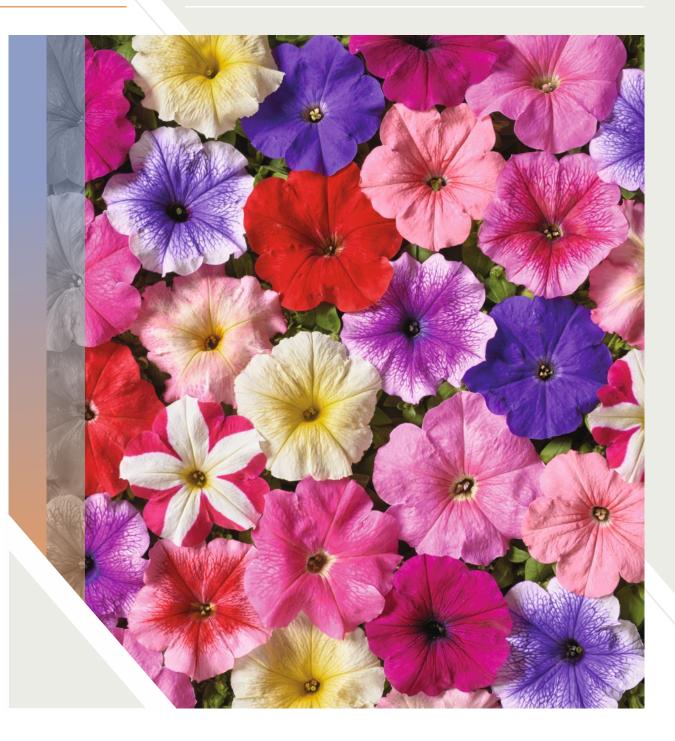
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Mistral F1 Pearly pale pearly pink

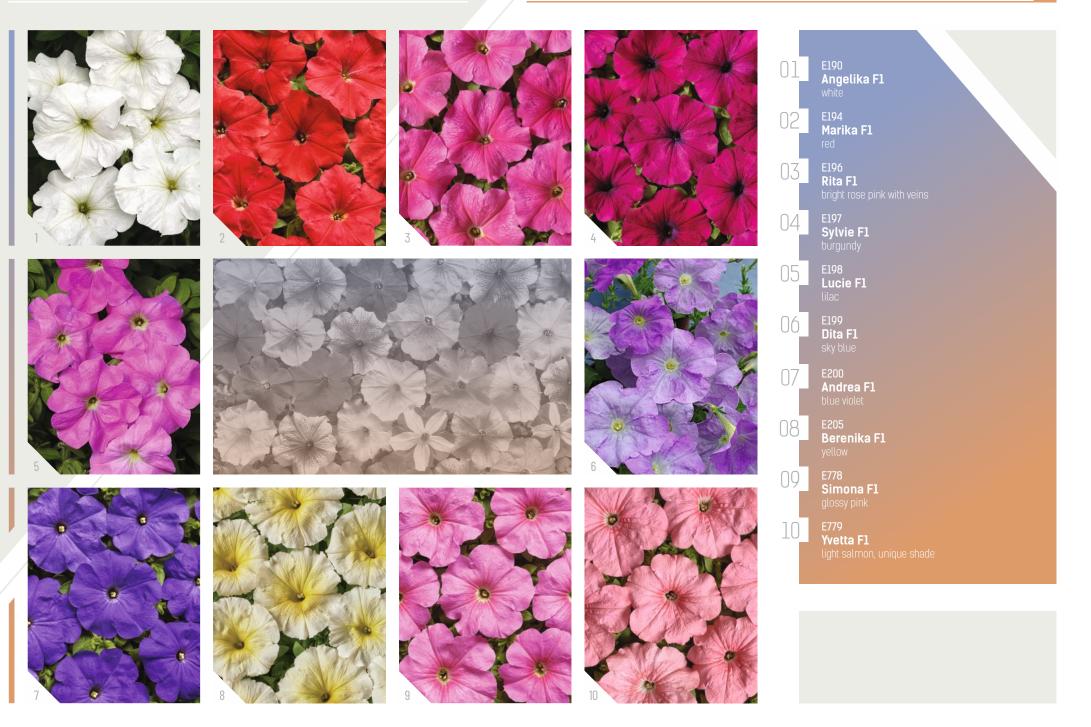
Mistral F1 Burgundy deep shades of burgundy

E227 Mistral F1 White

Hybrids resistant to bad weather. Plants reach a height of 30–35 cm, wellbranched, free-flowering, flower size 5.5–6.5 cm, suitable both as a bedding plant and for balcony boxes and containers. Rapid recovery from rain damage. Ideal for use in city parks and gardens.



 I1-13 weeks
 55-65 cm
 30-35 cm
 flower pots / beds
 pellets / raw seeds



Special varieties of petunias with unusual colours and colour combinations

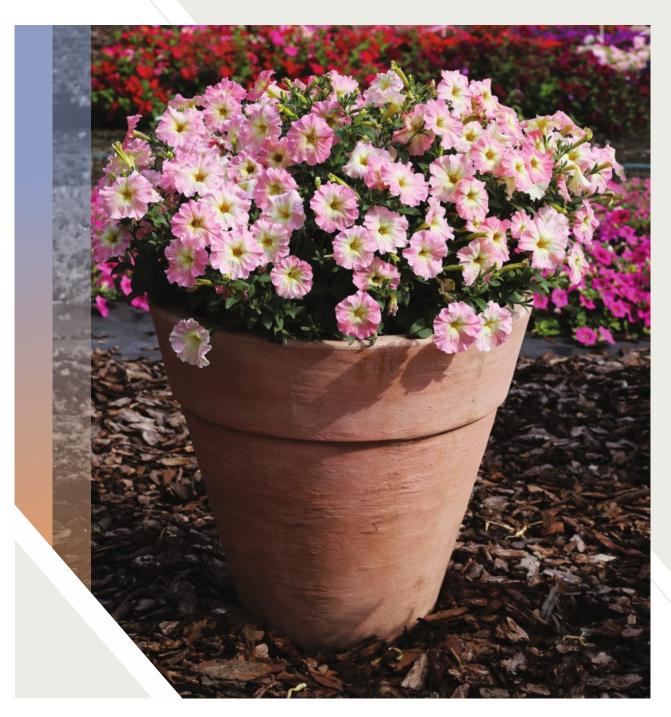
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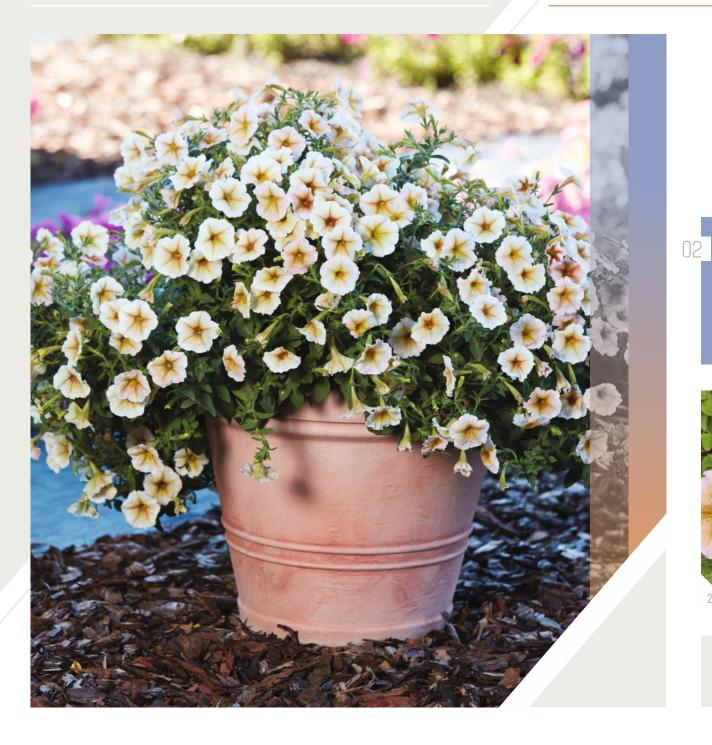
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Bright pink blossom with tall yellow gorge following the main venation pattern up to the blossom.









E523 Ingrid F1

This shade, unique in the world, provides a completely new dimension to the group of multiflora veins in a star petunia. It flowers with rich beautiful creamy yellow blooms with distinct brownish-yellow veins stemming from the gorge and reaching up to one third of the flower. The plants are well-branched, compact, growing to a height of 30–35 cm. The diameter of the blooms ranges from 5.5 to 6 cm.



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Sophia F1

Nora F1

Brigitta F1

Claudia F1

Belinda F1

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Kristina F1

Henrietta F1



11–13 weeks (Claudia F1 11 weeks)

flower pots / beds





























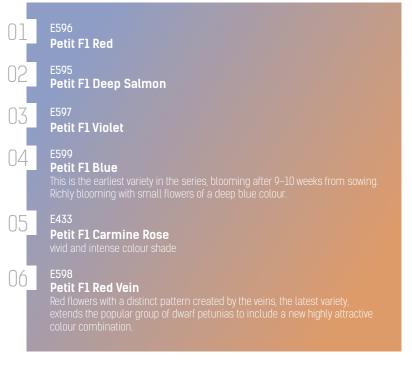




PETUNIA HYBRIDA MINIFLORA

"PETIT F1" SERIES

A very early variety. Several flowers always come into bloom at the same time. They create a very densely branched compact little bush. Flower size is 4–5 cm. They are intended in particular for planting in containers but also grow well in beds. They grow to a height of 20 cm. Hybrids are resistant and flower abundantly throughout the whole season. Cultivation is practically the same as with other petunias.









10–11 weeks 20 cm

pellets

4–5 cm

flower pots / boxes

"DOT STAR F1" SERIES

A unique series of petunias with white dots and spots

A combination of vibrant and rich colours with white dots and spots on the petals gives the flowers an unprecedented and highly attractive appearance. The shape, frequency and intensity of the little white patterns on the petals can change during hot or changeable weather. This makes every flower a unique original.

Just like the other multiflora petunia from the Černý Seed Company, the "Dot Star F1" series also boasts a high level of resilience to bad weather.

Plants grow to a height of 30–35 cm, branch well and bloom abundantly, with flowers that have a diameter of 6–7 cm. They are suitable for beds, planters and pots. They quickly regenerate after heavy rain and regain their impressive appearance. Available only as pellets.

The "Dot Star F1" group has been bred over many years by plant selection and its genetics do not come from commonly available varieties from cuttings.



















Dot Star F1 Dark Violet Improved dark violet with white dots and spo

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Dot Star F1 Deep Pink Improved deep pink with white dots and spots, lowe and more compact growth

E341 Dot Star F1 Red bright red with white dots and spol

E342 Dot Star F1 Rose rose with white dots and spots









"EYELASH F1" SERIES

A unique, premium series of multiflora petunias. They are characterised by a **circular venation** which extends halfway into the flower, creating an impressive eye-catching colour transition. The varieties in this group have a compact and uniform growth habit, which makes it easy to combine various colours, and the **flowers are 6.5-7 cm in diameter.** They grow to a height of **25-30 cm.** They are perfect for containers, hanging baskets and for use as bedding plants. Seeds are supplied only in pelleted form.











C1 E1232 Eyelash F1 Orchid orchid with dark circular venation
C2 E1233 Eyelash F1 Salmon salmon with dark circular venation
C3 E1234 Eyelash F1 Light Purple light purple with dark circular venation
C4 E1235 Eyelash F1 Mix









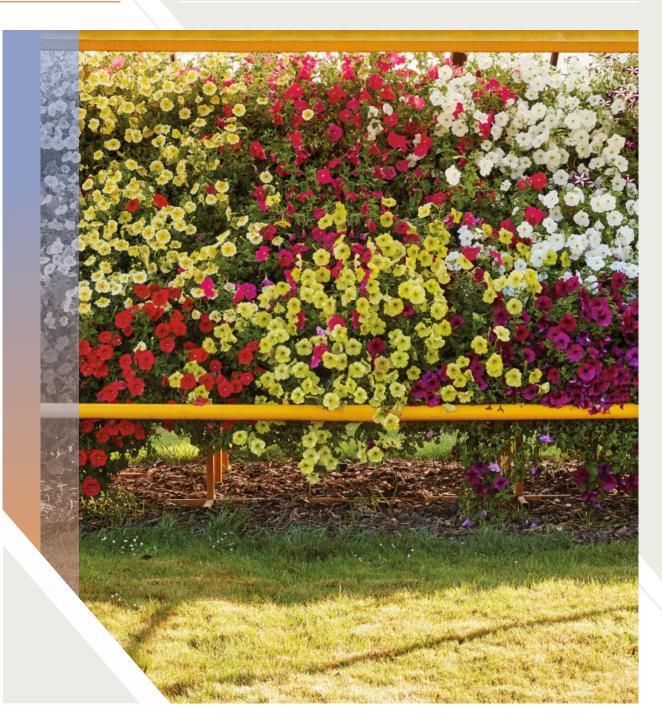
PETUNIA HYBRIDA PENDULA GRANDIFLORA

"AVALANCHE F1" SERIES

This is a unique group of overhanging hybrid petunias. When cultivated correctly, eight colour shades create a true "avalanche" of large flowers in bright and pastel colours. Flowers can reach 7–9 cm in diameter. Young plants are erect at first. Only after having grown, does their own weight make them fall and spread further in cascades. It is important to replant them correctly and to keep the plants growing continuously.

Very impressive in balcony flower boxes, large hanging baskets and bowls etc. The ideal location is in a sunny area. They need regular watering and fertilisation during the whole vegetation period.





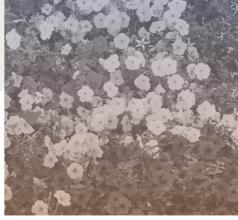
PETUNIA HYBRIDA PENDULA GRANDIFLORA 18















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Avalanche F1 Blue Star star-type bicolour white and deep blue, un

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PETUNIA HYBRIDA MULTIFLORA SPREADING TYPE

"VELVET F1" SERIES

The "Velvet F1" series of varieties is intended especially for planting in containers such as flower boxes, hanging baskets or raised containers to emphasise their overhanging character. They create a massive cascade and bloom throughout the entire season. If cultivated correctly, they bloom on the whole surface of the plant. Thanks to the length of their overhanging shoots reaching 80–100 cm, the varieties of the "Velvet F1" group can compete with varieties grown from cuttings.

All the "Velvet F1" varieties can also be planted in flower beds where they grow together over a short period of time and create a flower carpet about 25 cm high. Excellent health, exuberant growth, blossoms of medium size and high seed germination are the great advantages of these varieties. Prices of seeds delivered are also attractive. The method of cultivation does not differ from other petunia groups. Plants have a creeping character from the very beginning. Proper nutrition has a positive influence on the length of the spreading cascade.

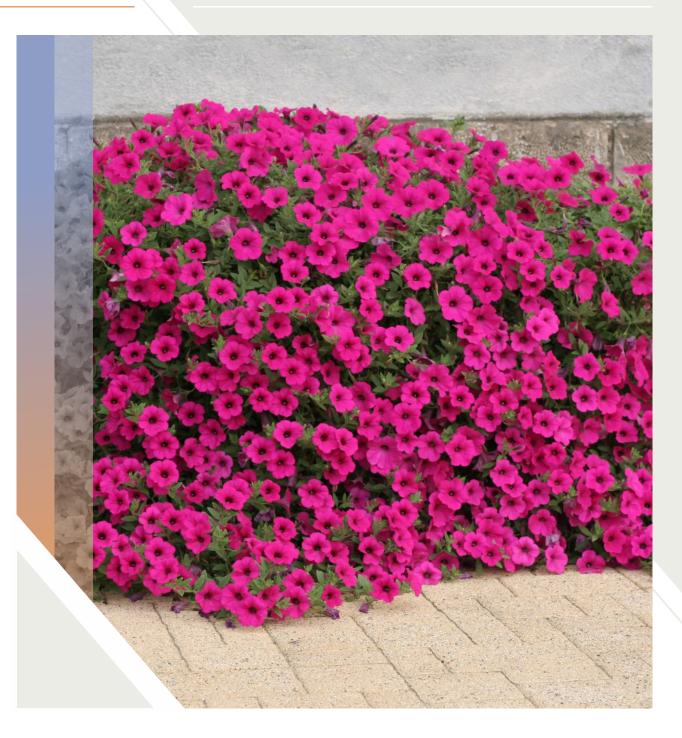


80-100 cm

11-15 weeks



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Velvet F1 Purple

A time-proven and still very popular variety. Intense violet-purple blossoms with a dark throat, size 5.5–6 cm, plants create a cascade reaching 100 cm.



Velvet F1 Salmon Shades

An attractive variety with interesting flowers in fine pastel shades of salmon, flower size is 7–8 cm. The spreading cascade can reach about 80 cm.



PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA SPREADING TYPE

"DIAMOND F1" SERIES

Globally unique series – a truly cascading petunia grandiflora grown from seed

A group of original overhanging varieties from the Černý Seed Company, which can boast the largest spreading cascade among seed-grown grandiflora varieties. These well-branched plants grow luxuriantly and create an impressive 80–100 cm cascade. The varieties are rich in blossoms, the size of which is 7.5–10 cm. They are intended for planting in raised flower containers, window boxes and big hanging baskets, which can show their overhanging character to good advantage. They can also be used for bed planting. The plants have a creeping growth habit. They grow together in a short period of time, creating a colourful carpet about 20–25 cm high. Like all luxuriantly growing petunias, they are more demanding on nutrients.











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Diamond F1 Pearly Shades

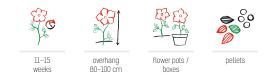
This variety creates an abundance of blossoms in fine shades of pearl-light violet, flower size is 7.5–8 cm, cascade 80 cm.

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Diamond F1 Purple

Intense dark purple-dark violet, flower size 7.5–8.5 cm. Spreading cascade 100 cm. Luxuriant growth.





PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA FIMBRIATA NANA

12–14

weeks

35.cm

(E217: 35–40 cm)

flower pots /

beds

pellets /

raw seeds

A group of traditional varieties with fringed flower edges. Thanks to the interesting colour combinations and full blooms, the "Pozdrav z Jaroměře" variety ranks among the mainstays of our range. They are especially suitable for sheltered places.







E218 **Krajkový závoj**

arge white flowers vith corrugated and frayed edges, lower size 8 cm, plant height 35 cm, his variety is especially suitable or flower pots and boxes.

E219 **Karkulka**

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A variety with large flowers with corrugated and frayed edges, flowers 6 cm in diameter, beautiful colour, dark pink-violet spots and stripes on a white background, height 35 cm, suitable for both flower pots or boxes and flower beds.

E217 **Pozdrav z Jaroměře**

arge flowers 6–7 cm in diameter, pink and viole stripes on a white background, 50% of plants hav double flowers, 50% of plants have single flowers





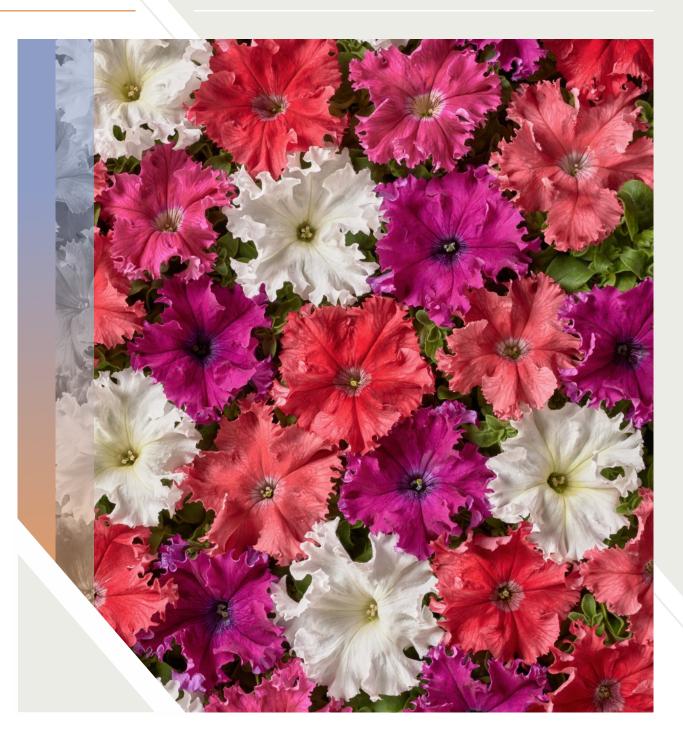
PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA FIMBRIATA NANA

"APHRODITE F1" SERIES

A group of hybrid varieties with rippled and fringed flower edges. These are resistant varieties which grow well and exuberantly. Can also be successfully grown in worse climatic conditions. The plants are bushy and grow to a height of 35 cm. Flower size is 8–9 cm.

Can be grown in flower beds or in boxes. If planted in a window box, they create a slight overhang. The plants flower abundantly.





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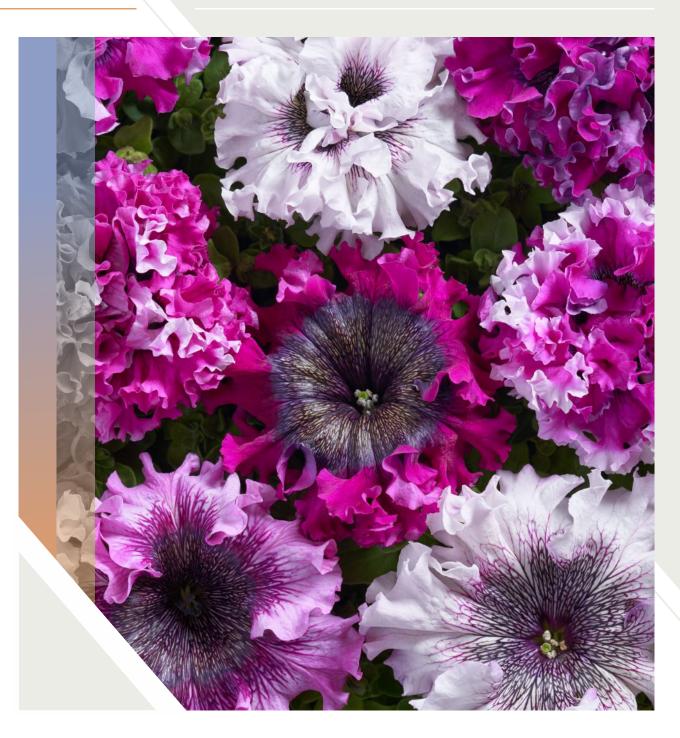


PETUNIA HYBRIDA GRANDIFLORA SUPERBISSIMA NANA

This group of varieties represents a speciality in our product range. They are especially appreciated for their giant flowers of unusual colours, which are about 16 cm in diameter and have ruffled and frayed edges. In contrast to usual diploid varieties these ones are tetraploid, which has an effect on their appearance and character.

The plants are robust, high, weakly branched. Especially suitable for flower boxes and containers but they can be used successfully as bedding plants as well.













E882 **Alba**

> Free-flowering, white ruffled flowers with dark veins in the throat, flowers become light purple under higher temperatures, plants are robust, vital, resistant to climatic conditions.







BEGONIA TUBERHYBRIDA GIGANTEA FL. PL.

A group of classic, popular and widely grown varieties. Plant height can reach 30–35 cm. They are robust with strong stalks. These free flowering varieties have large camellia-form flowers, almost 100% of which are double.

The ideal location is in partial shade. They can also be grown in sunny areas when watered sufficiently. They are characterised by their resistance and full flowering until the first frosts. Varieties are also suitable for bulb production.





BEGONIA TUBERHYBRIDA GIGANTEA FL. PL. 30









BEGONIA TUBERHYBRIDA PENDULA MULTIFLORA FL. PL.

"CHANSON F1" SERIES

"Chanson F1" is a group of popular hybrid spreading begonias with double and semi-double flowers. It offers the complete range of colours that begonias can offer. Plants grown from seed start flowering early and continue until the first frosts. Plants usually create 5–8 main shoots, where regular camellia-form flowers on long peduncles appear behind every leaf. Flower size is 6–8 cm. Plants create a cascade of 30–45 cm. Can also be used for bulb production.

Ideal for flower boxes, hanging baskets and higher spots to show its spreading cascading character. The two bicolour varieties we offer are unique.











01	E051 Chanson F1 White
02	E052 Chanson F1 Yellow
03	E053 Chanson F1 Salmon
04	E054 Chanson F1 Orange
05	E055 Chanson F1 Clear Red
06	E056 Chanson F1 Deep Red
07	E057 Chanson F1 Mixture











BEGONIA TUBERHYBRIDA PENDULA MULTIFLORA FL. PL.

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02	E762 Chans	on F1 Pink		
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overhang 30–45 cm





6-8 cm

17-20

weeks



pellets /

. raw seeds

flower pots /

boxes / beds





BEGONIA TUBERHYBRIDA PENDULA MULTIFLORA FL. PL. 34











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Chanson F1 Bicolour Pink and White



Chanson F1 Bicolour Orange and Yellow Has a much more distinctive colour shade, which further increases the contrast of the beautiful combination of yellow with intense orange edges.



BEGONIA BOLIVIENSIS

"COPACABANA F1" SERIES

Varieties grown from seed

A good alternative to varieties propagated by cutting. Compact habit during production. Six colours available, bell-shaped flowers, flower size 6–7 cm, plant height in flower beds 35 cm. Tolerant to a wide range of cultivation conditions: drought, rain, full sun and shade.

When we compare this product to other types of begonia, it performs excellently in places exposed to full sunlight. It significantly extends the possibility of using these varieties in plantations.





Ideal for big hanging baskets, containers and garden beds.

Young plants have erect growth first and later produce a large quantity of side shoots. They create a small overhang in boxes. The growth in garden beds is decumbent.

Excellent seed quality. Available only as pellets.

E153 Copacabana F1 Yellow

02 E151 Copacabana F1 Red

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03 E149 Copacabana F1 Orange 04 E150 Copacabana F1 Salmon

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E152 Copacabana F1 White





















Copacabana F1 Tricolour







weeks

flower pots / pellets beds 35 cm in flower beds





BEGONIA SEMPERFLORENS

"FLOWERBALL F1" SERIES

12-15

weeks

up to 4 cm

This new group of semi-double and double Begonias semperflorens "FlowerBall F1" is the ideal alternative to uneconomical varieties cultivated from cuttings. Apart from that, these Begonias are significantly more resilient in plantings than the competing varieties from seeds which are available. This means that the "FlowerBall F1" is in fact precisely what you are looking for! To start with, **we are listing the four most important colours in this type: Pink, Red, White and Rose.** However, you can look forward to extension of the range to include other attractive colours in the near future.

Plants grow to a height of 20–25 cm, are well-branched, compact in growth with flowers up to 4 cm in diameter. They have a self-cleaning ability, which makes caring for plantings much easier. The cultivation period is 12–15 weeks depending on the conditions.

Varieties are suitable both for mixed containers of different sizes and also for planting in beds with the possibility of combining individual colours. They are well resistant to higher temperatures and rain and bloom from spring until the first frosts.



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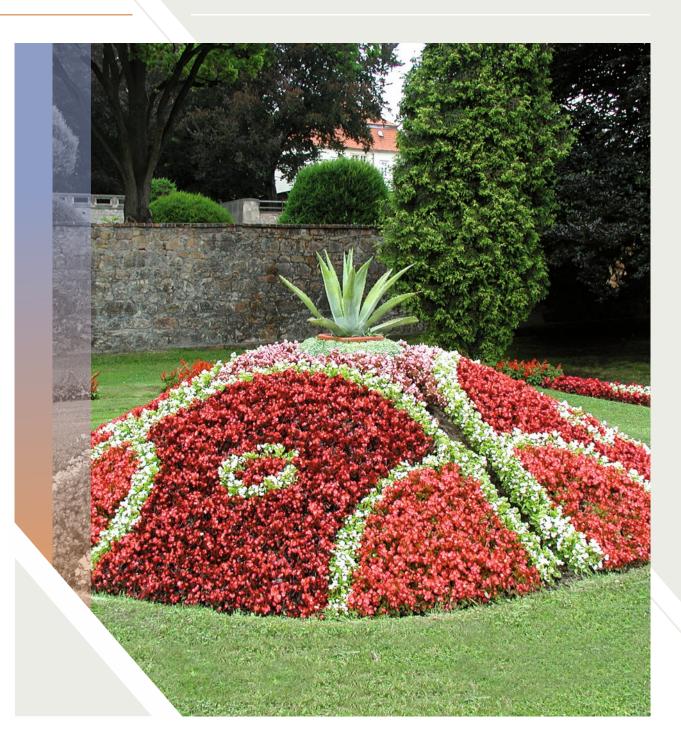
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pellets

BEGONIA SEMPERFLORENS

An egg-shaped plant, well-branched. Specially cultivated for resistance to climatic conditions. Excellent results both in hot sunny weather and during rainy summers. Plants have a self-cleaning ability, there is no need to remove past blossoms or ovaries, continuous flowering until frosts. We recommend you plant 30–35 plants per square metre.



























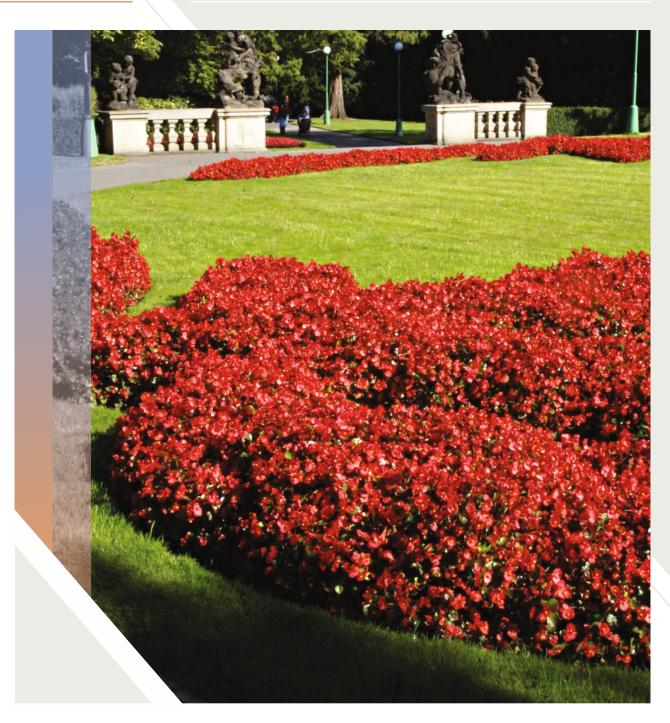




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VARIETIES WITH GREEN LEAVES PLANT HEIGHT 25–30 CM

E035 Variace F1 White

Variace F1 Clear Pink

E037 Variace F1 Deep Pink

Variace F1 Bicolour Pink and White white flower with a distinctive rose red edge

E039 Variace F1 Scarlet Red

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VARIETIES WITH Bronze Leaves Plant Height 25–30 cm

E040 Akord F1 Clear Pink

E041 Akord F1 Deep Pink

E042 Akord F1 Scarlet Red

BEGONIA INTERSPECIFIC

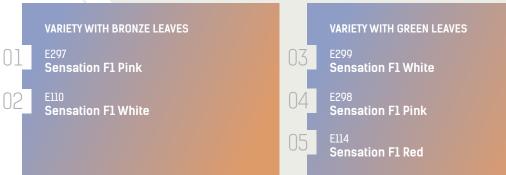
"SENSATION F1" SERIES

This group of interspecific hybrid varieties complements the current range of begonias. These are highly resistant hybrid varieties which tolerate even the most extreme climatic conditions very well. These plants do not mind direct sunlight, heavy rain or shade.

They are characterised by robust growth and medium-sized simple flowers. Plants reach a height of 60–70 cm, branch abundantly and have a flower diameter of 4–4.5 cm. They flower abundantly from early spring until the first frosts. Cultivation time from sowing to flowering plants is 12 to 14 weeks. Suitable for planting in beds and large flowerpots, even, for example, in urban greenery. Planting is undemanding on maintenance.



















COLEUS BLUMEI

"COLOCHA" SERIES

Unlike conventional Coleus plants, this group is characterised by its unique wavy and ruffled leaf edges which are soft to the touch. Plants are well-branched, moderately compact; they grow to a height of 45–50 cm. The leaves become tinged with attractive, highly intense eye-catching colours. Varieties from the "Colocha" group thrive in direct sunlight as well as in shady locations. Plants tolerate high and low temperatures very well and retain their decorative qualities until the first frosts. Another prized characteristic is their late flowering. They are great for large containers, as well as for use as bedding plants or even grown as houseplants. The unusual exotic look offers new possibilities to attract customers with something really NEW and ORIGINAL.

These Coleus "Colocha" varieties represent the beginning of a comprehensive premium group.

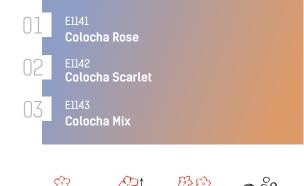
WHY CHOOSE COLEUS COLOCHA?

- unique and exotic eye-catching look
- wide range of use
- very hardy
- late flowering
- seed supplied raw or as pellets













beds



10–12 weeks 45–50 cm

flower nots

raw seeds / pellets

CATHARANTHUS ROSEUS

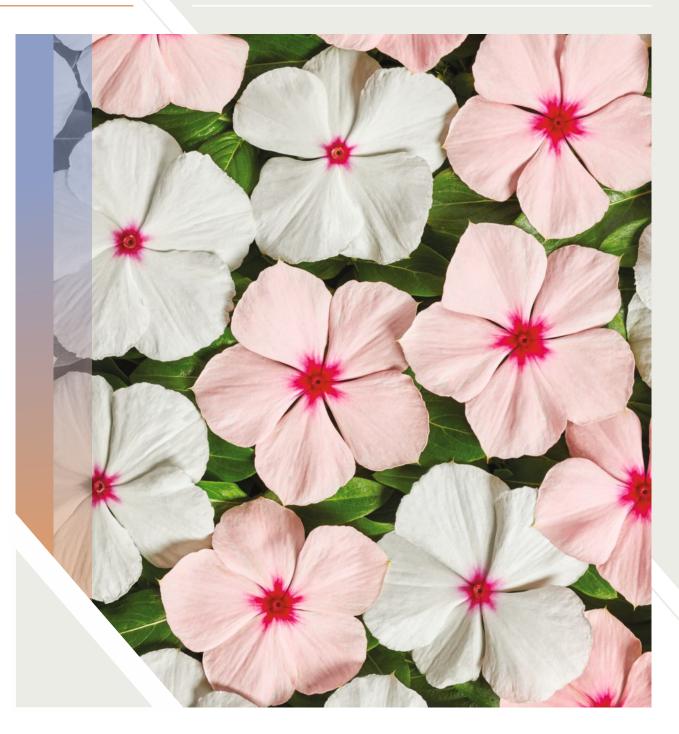
VINCA "VOLCANO F1" SERIES

The **"Volcano F1"** series represents the **7** bestselling colours, the unique **Peach** and now the new varieties **Blush** and **Scarlet Eye.** The varieties are intended for professional use and after trying them out, you are certain to agree with us that they really do represent the very pinnacle of contemporary breeding. We also recommend that you pay attention to their price, which is absolutely unrivalled.

Plants are well-branched, have a compact habitus and grow to a height of 25–30 cm. The crop time from sowing to blooming plants for sale is 8-10 weeks. The flowers have overlapping petals, an intense colour and diameter of 5.5–6 cm.

"Volcano F1" plants are very resistant to diseases and stress factors. They tolerate heat, dry conditions and humidity well. They maintain their usual flower size and high colour intensity even under extreme conditions. They are perfect for use in various types of containers and also for planting in large beds.





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E1069 Volcano F1 Peach
E1060 Volcano F1 Apricot
E1061 Volcano F1 Burgundy
E1062 Volcano F1 Lavender
E1063 Volcano F1 Orchid
E1064 Volcano F1 Polka
E1065 Volcano F1 Red
E1066 Volcano F1 White
E1059 Volcano F1 Scarlet Eye
E1058 Volcano F1 Blush
E1067 Volcano F1 Mix

TOP five reasons for choosing "Volcano F1"

- significantly larger flowers than O.P. varieties
- early and uniform flowering
- resistance to adverse weather and extreme conditions
- uniformity and compactness of plants
- a convincing price







CYCLAMEN PERSICUM POLYPETALLUM

A specific group of cyclamen flowers intended for cutting. They are characterised by their rigid and long flower stem which grows to a height of up to 30 cm. They create large full blooms made up of 7–11 petals. Their fragrance is pleasant. These characteristics fundamentally differentiate them from regular varieties.

They provide a rewarding source of material for cutting during the winter.





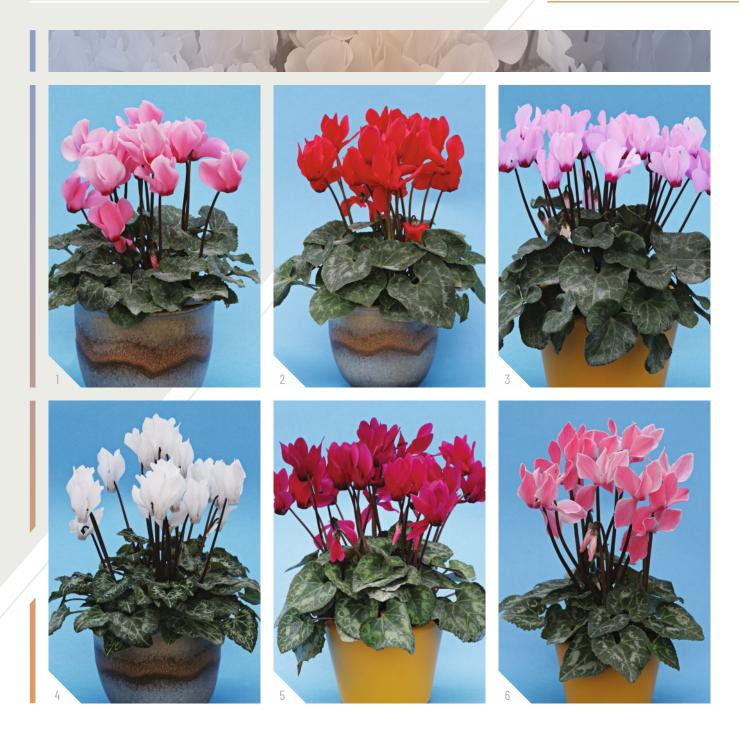












CYCLAMEN PERSICUM – MINI

The origin of this group of varieties is to be found in the "Kleine Dresdnerin" type mini cyclamen. These are universal varieties which can be grown either as mini or medium-sized flowers depending on the size of the pot. They create beautiful plants, balanced in all parameters and highly stable. They grow well and are resistant to pests and diseases. They have a wide range of application for growers and also grow well under worse conditions.







beds



15–20 cm 40 weeks

raw seeds flower pots /

PELARGONIUM * HORTORUM (GERANIUM)

"DAY F1" GREEN-LEAVED SERIES

Plants in this range are characterised by a combination of the colour green and shades of brown on the edges of the leaves. Bright-coloured blossoms create massive inflorescences and flourish abundantly throughout the season until frosts arrive. Varieties are early, compact and have distinctive leaves. Their high resistance to pests and adverse weather is also characteristic.

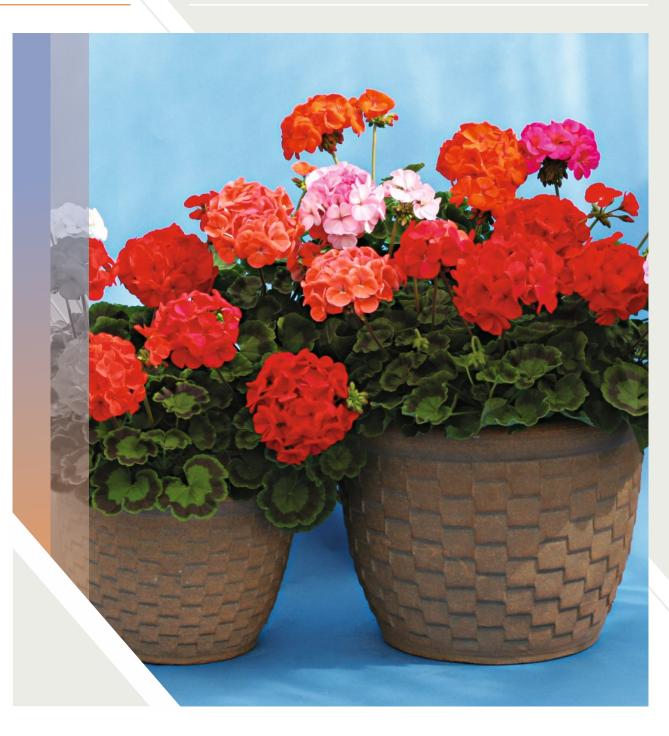
At the peak of the growing season, these varieties reach a height of 25 cm (height without inflorescence) and including inflorescence, they reach a height of 35 cm. Plants reach 35 cm in width. During the season, each plant generates around 50 to 60 inflorescences, each with a diameter of 10–12 cm. The varieties are ideal for professional cultivation.



10–12 cm































01 E367 Day F1 Red Bicolour (Vlasta F1) Leaves have a light pattern 02 E786 Day E1 Grange (Lucio E

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Day F1 Orange (Lucie F1) leaves have a light pattern

E183 Day F1 Salmon (Jitka F1) leaves have a moderately distinctive patter

E182 Day F1 Light Pink (Jarka F1) leaves have a distinctive pattern

Day F1 Deep Red (Alena F1) leaves have a light pattern

Day F1 Rose Bicolour (Pavla F1) leaves have a distinctive pattern

Day F1 Bright Red (Gizela F1) leaves have a moderately distinctive patter

E186 Day F1 Carmine Red (Mirka F1)

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Day F1 Light Scarlet (Regina F1) leaves have a very distinctive pattern

E369 Day F1 Violet (Eva F1) Leaves have a very distinctive n

_{E179} **Day F1 White** (Blanka F1)

aves have only the hint of a pattern

E363 Day F1 Pink Violet (Simona F1)

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PELARGONIUM * HORTORUM (GERANIUM)

"NIGHT F1" DARK-LEAVED SERIES

These unique varieties from the "Night F1" series are characterised by their highly decorative brown leaves with a green border. The dark leaves are very effective in white pots. They can be used in countless horticultural compositions or in combination with green-leaved varieties.

The method of growing and superb properties are the same as those you are used to with the green-leaved varieties which you know so well. These plants are extremely resilient and love direct sunlight. The final height in a bed can reach 35 cm and flowers grow to 10–12 cm in diameter. Seeds are supplied already scarified with excellent germinating capacity.

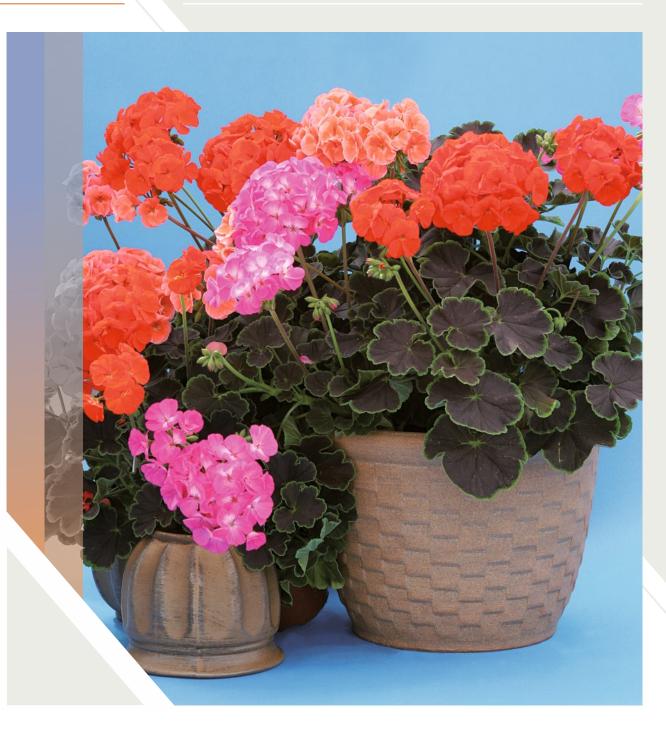




inflorescence 10–12 cm



boxes / beds



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Night F1 Rose 02 Night F1 Salmon Night F1 Scarlet

Night F1 Violet

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PELARGONIUM * HORTORUM (GERANIUM)

"FALCON F1" CMS* SERIES

SELF-CLEANING, POLLEN-FREE AND ENDLESSLY BLOOMING? These are precisely the features offered by the new series of premium geraniums being introduced by Černý Seed s.r.o.

What is the main advantage of the new "Falcon F1" group? Unlike conventional geraniums, this new generation of varieties does not produce any pollen. As a result, it does not attract insects and does not produce the unwanted spikes which it is recommended are removed during the season in conventional varieties in order to avoid reduction of new flowers. In the "Falcon F1" group, the inflorescence falls off spontaneously after flowering and the plants continue to flower. Apart from this, the lifespan of the inflorescence is more than 7 days longer and plants produce up to 20 % more flowers during vegetation than conventional varieties.

Cultivation is identical to that of conventional geraniums. Plants are wellbranched and compact, 25 cm in height without inflorescence (35 cm with inflorescence). The inflorescences are firm, 10-11 cm in diameter and flower size is about 4 cm. They tolerate both direct sun and partial shade extremely well. Suitable for containers, hanging baskets and beds. In large plantings, you gain a vibrant colour palette which does not stop flowering thanks to the selfcleaning effect. Seeds are available in scarified forem.

Note: To better preserve the advantages of pollen-free varieties, we recommend isolation from conventional pollen varieties. Spatial isolation should be at least 50 m.

* Cytoplasmic male sterility



14–16 weeks

nflorescence inflorescence 25 cm, 10–11 cm height in total 35 cm



seeds



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- self-cleaning effect there is no need to remove spikes
- they do not stop flowering they do not produce any seeds
- this means that inflorescences have a lifespan lasting more than 7 days longer
- plants produce up to 20% more flowers during vegetation
- people who suffer from allergies will also appreciate the absence of pollen



HISTORY OF THE "ČERNÝ SEED COMPANY"

The Founders

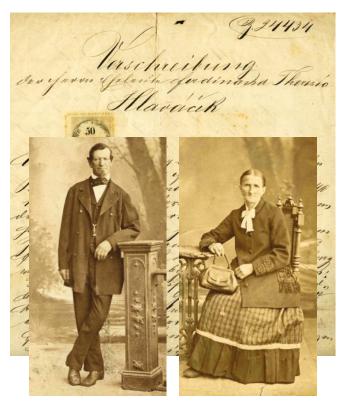
The story of the company began all the way back in 1859, five generations ago, when it was founded by the ancestor of the current owners, the passionate gardener and seed trader Ferdinand Hlaváček (1822–1897) together with his wife Terezie (1830–1896). They began gardening on the site of the current gardens, although these looked completely different back then and only started to grow slowly. The valley, bordered on the one side by the slopes of Klouzkov Hill and on the other side by a railway embankment, was more of a waterlogged meadow than a place to grow flowers. It also had more than 25 owners. Ferdinand bought a small house on the edge of the valley, a former match factory, a bit of land to go with this and set to work. He gradually started to buy up land, to reclaim the marshland and after thirty-six years of tiring work, was able to boast a garden roughly 1.5 strikes in size (approx. 4,000 m²).

His greatest passion was however vegetable and flower seed trading. He sold seeds for foreign and also tried and tested regional varieties. A metal snuff tin is still kept by the family to this very day – brought by a Dutch seed trader who wanted to get to know one of his good customers. At that time, seeds were mainly sold at market, so he travelled with his goods all over the region, but also to the famous markets in Brno and Prague. He was a savvy trader and used to say to his daughter: "Remember, Mařenko, that a dishonest penny will surely lead to no wealth."

Even though he was born into very poor circumstances and gained practically no education, he died as a respected gardener and citizen of Jaroměř.

Artistic Gardening

František Černý (1865–1925) married into the Hlaváček garden centre in 1896. He learned gardening at the chateau in Smiřice nad Labem and worked in Moravia after that. In 1888, he was appointed gardener at the Hohe Warte Park owned by the Rothschild family in Vienna, even more famous than the gardens at Schönbrunn. It is no exaggeration to say



Ferdinand Hlaváček (1822–1897)

Terezie Hlaváčková (1830–1896)



that this was the university of the gardening arts. However, František wanted to gain his independence. After having successfully managed landscaping for the "Music and Theatre Exhibition" in Vienna in 1892, he was recommended to Prince Radziwill as head gardener in the Russian part of Poland, but in fact started work with his relatives, the Rembieliński family in Krośniewice. He was given a luxurious flat, horses, a carriage, a sleigh and a good wage.



While visiting Jaroměř, he met Marie Hlaváčková. She charmed him and they got married. From chateau parks, he found his way to vegetable growing and seed production. From orangeries with foreign flowers, to commercial gardening. He honoured traditional practices, never taking a liking for seed production. He preferred to devote his time to growing flowers and excelled in artistic flower arrangement. He also had other cultural interests. He enjoyed reading, wrote short stories, acted and painted. A white Niphetos climbing rose bush, which flowers all year round, still grows in our greenhouse to this very day. František planted this bush in order to be able to make up bouquets – even in winter.

Marie Černá (1866–1932), née Hlaváčková, married František Černý as her second husband. She worked hard in the garden, but above all devoted her efforts to the commercial side of the operation of the garden centre – she travelled to market. This was held in Jaroměř every Friday and was the main place for the sale of cultivars, but also seeds.













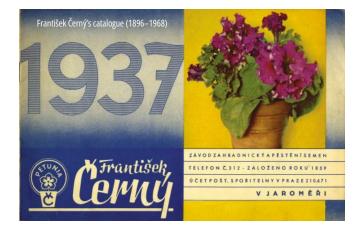
Seed Producers – Breeders

Another ancestor of the family, František Černý (1896–1968), returned to seed production. His father did not want him to follow him into gardening. He saw how much hard work it was and imagined his son's future differently. František was however born a gardener and in the end managed to fight for his beloved career.

When his father was already very ill, František married Marie Mojžíšová (1903–1987) from an old gardening family from Náchod. After his father's death, he specialised the business with a focus on seed production with a clear goal: to shake the monopoly of German companies. They started to engage in breeding of petunias and later also begonias, lily-of-the-valley, salvia, cyclamens and cineraria.

In fact, this happened quite by chance. František saw some planters in front of a seed company in Hradec Králové with large flowered overhanging petunia. They literally enchanted him and so he set out for the promised land of petunias, Germany. He planted his first petunia in 1927 and starting the next year, tried different possibilities for pollination and selection of the most suitable plants with his wife Marie. Their colourful colony grew.

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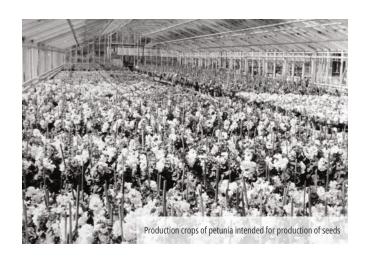
In 1934, the Černý family launched their first own variety "Karkulka", which we offer in our range in a modified form to this very day. Then came other original varieties. The petunias were joined by permanently flowering begonias and tuberous begonias.

Marie Černá devoted her whole life to breeding tuberous begonias and the result of this are beautiful full-flowered resistant varieties.

The Černý Seed Company gradually made its mark and production was already unable to meet demand after the war. In 1950 however, František had to lease his business to the state and it was completely expropriated ten years later. Despite this, he did devote the rest of his life to flowers. He too had a lot of cultural interests. He enjoyed reading, acted in the theatre and kept in contact with people from the artistic world. He was active in gardening social life, regularly writing for the professional press. He was a characteristic and respected personality in the field of gardening.



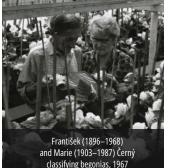
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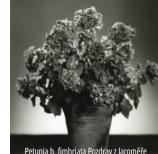


Hybrid Breeding

After World War Two, flower breeding in Jaroměř reached a completely new level. The person responsible for this was František Černý's son Jan (1928–1980).

Jan first learned the gardening trade with his father. He met his future wife Alenka Prokopová (1928–2000) at the gardening school in the Moravian town of Lednice, where everybody who was truly interested in this field caught up with their education after the war. Alenka also came from a gardening family. Jan then continued his studies at the Agricultural University in Brno. As a student, he became acquainted with a pioneer of the new heterosis method, Professor F. Frimmel. This truly fateful meeting led him to start breeding hybrid varieties.





Petunia h. fimbriata Pozdrav z Jaroměře







Jan Černý (1928–1980) and Alenka Černá (1928–2000), née Prokopová

Alenka Černá (1928–2000) selecting petunias for production of seeds

In 1959, Jan Černý launched the first hybrid variety of permanently flowering begonias onto the market, the Turov F1. In 1960, he launched the first hybrid petunia variety, the Avalanche F1 White. He gradually bred a comprehensive range of hybrid varieties of these flowers. His wife Alenka also participated in breeding many of these.

His varieties were judged to be the best in international comparative trials in Hannover. These varieties won several awards at garden shows. One of his dreams come true was the yellow petunia, a shade which does not naturally occur in petunias.

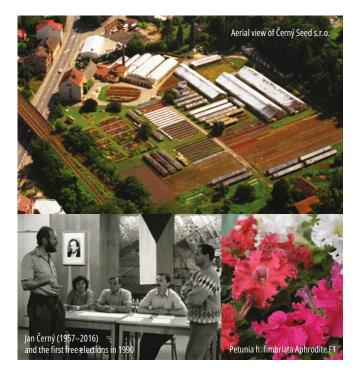
Jan Černý became an important and respected breeder on an international scale. He also took an interest in the public greenery in Jaroměř and performed an inventory of this. He died suddenly in 1980. The valuable genetic material was only preserved in its scope and quality thanks to his wife Alenka. It was not easy to perform the duties which were



originally performed by three people. The scope of breeding work was huge.

The nationalised enterprise was incorporated for several years into the Sempra state enterprise. Despite various problems, the Černý family was able to continue the breeding work they had started. The fruits of these efforts are modern varieties of petunia and begonia which flower fans in the Czech Republic and abroad have taken pleasure in for several years now.





Rebirth and Present Day

A representative of the next generation, Jan Černý (1957–2016), also devoted his life to flower breeding. The result of this is a range of modern hybrid varieties of begonia and petunia.

Jan studied plant genetics at the Faculty of Science at Charles University in Prague. While still studying at university, he married Vlasta, née Broučková in 1978. Their first son, Jan, was born in 1978, a daughter,



Jan Černý (1957–2016) with his mother Alenka Černá (1928–2000)

Veronica, in 1980 and a second son, Jakub, in 1991. After certain disagreements with the management of the then state-owned enterprise Sempra, he had to abandon his work for a short period in 1988. He did not however lose contact with the breeding station in Jaroměř.

Then something happened at the start of 1991 which nobody had dared to hope for anymore. The gardening business was returned to the hands of its original owners, the Černý family, within the framework of restitution and successfully built on its past tradition. After November 1989, Jan Černý also got involved in public life in Jaroměř, where he was politically active for three electoral terms (1990–2002) as city councillor and for two electoral terms (1990–1998) as a member of the town council. Jan enjoyed music – attending concerts by his favourite musicians and bands and took a passionate interest in cinematography. He also had a lifelong interest in art and very much enjoyed travelling.

His two sons Jan Černý (1978) and Jakub Černý (1991) currently work in and manage the company. They already represent the sixth generation to continue the family tradition. Both among other things studied at the Secondary Horticultural School in Mělník and at the Faculty of Horticulture at Mendel University in Brno. The team of experienced workers, some of which have been working in the company for more than 25 years, guarantees the high quality of seeds produced.

The Černý Seed Company is nowadays a highly specialised breeding and seed production company. It is currently the only company in the Czech Republic to launch new F1 hybrid flowers which it has bred itself onto the market every year. The seeds which are produced are constantly gaining in popularity and are successfully distributed to customers all around the world. Plants which come from Jaroměř are





Jan Černý (1957–2016) with his sons – Jan (1978) from the left and Jakub (1991) from the right



František Černý (2015) next to the Niphetos climbing rose bush, planted by his great-great-great-grandfather František Černý (1865–1925)

thus nowadays grown not only in Europe, but also in Asia, America or for example on the Arabian Peninsula.

Since 1934, the Černý family has bred more than 150 original varieties of petunia, begonia, cyclamen, lily-of-the-valley and other types of flowers. Varieties bred in Jaroměř have won several medals at international exhibitions and have been awarded the "Novitas Olomucensis" prize three times. However, the most important thing is the fact that they have retained their popularity among gardeners and flower fans the whole time.

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