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CAMELLIA NURSERY
FERNANDINA, FLORIDA

Fine Camellias Our Specialty

OUR SLOGAN—SERVICE AND QUALITY

A MESSAGE FROM G. G. GERBING

I have sold my Nursery to Mr. Ralph E. May, formerly of Savannah, Georgia. Mr. May has all the qualifications necessary to succeed. His nursery will operate under the name of *Gerbing Camellia Nursery*, growing the plants in the same location where for years the soil has proven to be exceptionally favorable for the production of high quality plants.

Mr. May has expressed his desire to continue with the policies established by me, prompt response to inquiries, prompt shipments, selection of healthy plants, sending out only plants that he is certain are true to name as cataloged by him and adopted by the majority of Nurserymen in America. Mr. May has requested that I assume the supervisory part of his nursery operation, to this I have consented.

It is my wish and hope that my friends and customers who have made possible my success in the past years continue to patronize the Gerbing Camellia Nursery.

I wish to thank each of you for your patronage during my years as a nurseryman, it has been a privilege and pleasure to serve you.

My Future Plans. I wish to complete the development of my show gardens at Amelia City, devote more time to experimentation, hybridising, collecting new and rare Camellias which later will be available in the nursery. Continue to produce Color Plates of Camellias and make these available to all who are interested.

It shall be my pleasure to assist you with any and all problems that may confront you in your Camellia or Azalea Gardens. All correspondence of this nature should be addressed to G. G. Gerbing, Fernandina, Florida.

Note: All orders and checks for plants should be addressed to Ralph E. May, Gerbing Camellia Nursery, Fernandina, Florida.

Note: All orders for the book Camellias or any future books should be to G. G. Gerbing.

This catalog is sent with our compliments. Additional copies may be obtained at one dollar (\$1.00) each, prepaid.

GRAFTED CAMELLIAS

Why they are superior to own-root plants

We are often asked why we cut down fine shapely Camellia plants and graft young shoots on the remaining trunks. Then, too, we are often asked why we charge so much for grafted Camellias. Here are the answers:

First of all let us say a word or two about grafting, as to methods and benefits to be obtained. Grafting is done in the winter months when the plants are dormant. Usually we select a good-sized plant from four to twelve years old, saw the top growth off to within an inch from the ground. The remaining stem is then split with a cleaver and the edges of the bark are smoothed with a sharp knife. Next a chisel is inserted in the stem to pry it apart slightly. Then one or more twigs (or scions) of some fine rare Camellia variety are selected and a wedge is cut on each. The twigs (or scions) are inserted so that the cambium layers of the bark are in contact on each side of the stem. The chisel is then removed and the stem is covered with damp earth which is brought up to a height of about 2 inches around the twigs (or scions). A jar is then placed over the entire plant and a close-meshed piece of burlap is fastened over the entire job. A weather-proof label with the correct variety name is placed near the jar and the date of the grafting is also recorded. About the middle of April each jar is examined weekly. As soon as new growth has developed to a height of 3 to 4 inches the jar is removed and a heavy shade is placed over the graft. Each week the shading is raised to give the vigorous-growing plant more room for development. When the plant reaches a height of 18 inches, three stakes are driven around it to form a triangle. A piece of stout twine is used to hold the plant in place. This framework prevents the grafting from being broken by wind or workmen. All shading is then removed and a constant watch is kept on the plants to prevent the understock from sending up shoots.

An understock ten to twelve years old will grow a top plant from 3 to 4 feet high in one season and often will set buds the first year. This vigorous growth continues until the top is again in balance with the root system, which requires four to six years. In other words, by grafting you can have a fine, large, rare Camellia in four to six years whereas on its own root system it would take twelve to fifteen years. The value of the understock used, the losses incurred in grafting, the labor and the time required to carry out the grafting process, and the care which the plants require after growth begins, are reasons why prices for grafted plants must be relatively higher than those grown on their own roots. We cannot recommend grafted plants too highly because they are more vigorous in their growth and are more resistant to disease than those grown on their own roots. It is our custom, as a rule, to graft only when we are interested in growing rare varieties and kinds which are slow and difficult to propagate.

This season we have over 3000 grafted plants to offer, the understock used ranging in age from four to twelve years. The young plants vary from 1 to 4 feet. We grow our grafted Camellias in full sun to produce bushy plants rather than to induce mere height.

What You Should Not Do With Azaleas and Camellias

Do not spray plants in winter with Oil Emulsion.

Do not place soil or muck on the surface of the ground around Azaleas or Camellias after they have been planted.

Do not permit your plants to remain dry at the roots when cold weather is reported.

Do not cultivate around the roots.

Do not allow heavy cloth to rest directly on the plants in freezing weather. (We do not cover any of our plants at any time).

Do not over-fertilize your plants. (They are naturally slow growers and too much fertilizer will weaken them). Do not remove or loosen the burlap on Camellias.

Do not plant too deep. Do not plant on a mound. Do not lift the plant by the trunk.

Do not plant them in poor unsuitable soil, they will not give satisfactory results.



James Hyde Porter

WHITE GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Abundance. Profuse-flowering, full, double white variety measuring 4 to 5 inches across. A strong grower, with large deep green, glossy foliage; blooms when young.

Dante. An imbricated pure white form with golden stamens at the base of each petal. This variety may be best described as of medium size, measuring 4 inches in diameter. A low, spreading grower with dull green foliage. Very fine.

Eastern Sun. (One of our hybrids.) A full-formed, peony-type Camellia with 4-inch flowers having the outer rows of petals pure white and the inner portion of the bloom made up of lemon-tinted anthers and petaloids and golden stamens. We might say that there is more yellow in this Camellia than any we have ever seen. The deep green foliage is slightly twisted. Growth is slow and bushy; midseason flowering.

Edith Churchwell. (One of our own hybrids.) An exquisite, wavy-petaled, loose peony-type flower measuring 3½ to 4 inches in diameter. The plant is a slow, bushy grower and the dark green foliage is of medium size. Flowers in January.

Ethrington White (Waterloo). The petals of this semi-double variety are often described as tissue-like in texture. Dark green foliage. Tall and vigorous in its growth; blooms in mid-season.

Haku-rakuten. An extraordinary 4-inch white blossom, loosely formed, with a few stamens intermingled with the petals. Light green, glossy foliage. Tall, vigorous grower.

✓ **Imura, White.** This hybrid from Alabama is the most beautiful white semi-double we have seen. Its long, narrow petals have a porcelain-like texture. The flowers measure 5½ to 6 inches in diameter; showy yellow stamens. Long dark green foliage. Open and upright in its growth; midseason bloomer.

✓ **Lotus, Sode Gutchie.** The largest of all Camellias, measuring 6 inches or more in diameter, with a large cluster of stamens in the center. The long, dull green foliage is heavily ribbed. Midseason to late flowering.

Mrs. Millar Wilson. (One of our hybrids.) A most unusual variety is this semi-double, star-shaped white flower measuring 3 inches in diameter. Each double row of petals is separated by showy stamens, and the center of the flower is a pleasing combination of stamens and petaloids. Rapid, tall, open grower with light green, medium-sized foliage.

Mrs. William Thompson. A very large semi-double white flower, displaying prominent stamens. Large, rounded, serrated foliage. Vigorous slender growth; midseason.

Perfection Alba. (Temporary name.) Although this flower was purchased as Alba Superba it produces full double pure white blossoms, 3 to 4 inches in diameter. We consider this Camellia one of the finest double whites for late cut-flowers because it is a profuse bloomer. The foliage is large, light green, and glossy, and the compact, upright growth is decidedly vigorous. We are sure that this is a distinct variety because Alba Superba is semi-double with showy stamens. Midseason to late flowering. Available in limited quantities only.

Snowdrift. A beautifully formed blossom, semi-double in structure. The long, dull green foliage is heavily serrated and the plant is a good grower. Blooms in midseason.

Star of Bethlehem. (Our seedling.) A semi-double, pure white star formation of the Imura type; flowers measure 3 inches. Low, spreading, bushy growth and long, narrow, dark green foliage characterize this free-flowering variety. Where a low-growing, vigorous, hardy white Camellia is needed we recommend this variety whole-heartedly. Early to mid-season.



Rev. John Bennett

Supresse Nobilissima. A loose, irregular, peony-flowered form with thin-textured petals which are crinkled at the edges. The flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across. Long, deep green foliage. Strong, upright growth; midseason flowering.

Daisy Banks. Originating with me this seedling No. 200 was named in memory of Mrs. Jno. J. Banks of Opelika, Alabama. The large, pure white tissue like textured flowers vary in form from loosely peony semi-double to single with stamens intermingled or prominent. The flower is from 4 to 5 inches. Flowering midseason to late. Foliage dull green. Growth vigorous, spreading.

Finlandi. This handsome white Camellia resembles very much the white Sport of the Hermes. Identical of formation and time of bloom. Very hardy, slightly fragrant, foliage long dullish green, growth medium vigorous loosely upright. Origin, Portland, Oregon.

① **Elisabeth Boardman.** A splendid white which has a big future from Magnolia Gardens comes this exquisite, hemispherical, semi-double fluted construction. Stamens intermingled, large rounded light green foliage, upright growth, flowering at midseason, a good hardy white Camellia.

Lady of the Lake. Another exquisite white, waxy petals, semi-double irregular construction. Midseason flowering. Foliage long glossy deep green. Growth loosely upright. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Mrs. Charles Simmons. This is a large handsome white Camellia. Some seasons flowering huge single white blossoms while at other times the formation will be semi-double to loosely peony form. Flowering in midseason. Foliage rounded dull pale green. Growth slow spreading. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Queen Bessie. Originating at Overlook Nursery, Crichton, Alabama, this fine white semi-double flower of 3 to 4 inches with stamens flowers late in the season. The foliage is large medium green. Growth is vigorous upright.

Superba Nobilissima (Quincy White). From the Tea Farm comes this large peony form late flowering white Camellia. The flowers are waxy texture. Very slow upright growth. Foliage large long pointed pale glossy green.

White Pine Cone. Originating at Overlook Nursery, this fine seedling with pure white flowers, petals standing apart, resembling a pine cone. Late flowering. Large roundish foliage medium green. Growth vigorous upright.

Alba Fimbriata (Middletoni, No. 26). This is the true fimbriated Alba Plena, a pure white, formal type of flower which measures 4 to 5 inches in diameter. The foliage is typical of Alba Plena. Early flowering.

Henningham Smith (Middletoni, No. 12). When fully opened the stamens of this semi-double white variety are noticeable. It measures 3 to 4 inches in diameter and it may be said that the foliage and the flower are identical with Alba Plena. Wide-spreading growth; early flowering.

✓ **Alba Superba.** From Magnolia Gardens came this large, semi-double white form with showy stamens in the center of the flowers. This fine Camellia is a free bloomer while young. Vigorous and spreading in its growth, it has large, deep green, glossy foliage.

② **Triphosa.** The large semi-double, pure white flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across, with stamens in the center of each bloom. Dark, glossy green, slightly twisted foliage. Slow, spreading growth; midseason flowering. Extremely hardy.



Dante

Hakuo. Double pure white flowers. Dull green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering.

Otome White. A full, double pure white flower showing stamens when fully open; rosebud formation at opening. Bushy, slow growth; midseason bloomer.

Snowball. Pure white, almost round, peony-like flower that resembles a snowball. Glossy foliage. Tall growth; late flowering.

Prices of the above group. Fine Rare and Slow Growing Camellias—

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PINK GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Augusta Wilson (Ashland Pink, Cabbage Head, St. Elmo). A full, peony-flowered bloom of deep pink, measuring 3½ to 4 inches in diameter. A fast, tall grower with large, round, glossy foliage. Early bloomer.

Bessie McArthur. (One of our hybrids.) A large, semi-double, clear pink variety with three or four layers of very large petals and prominent stamens intermingled with small petaloids. The flowers measure 5 inches across. Large, glossy, long foliage. Low, bushy growth; very hardy.

Christine Lee. A lovely semi-double pink Camellia from the gardens of Dr. W. G. Lee. The flowers measure 4 to 6 inches across, with showy, prominent stamens. We guarantee this fine semi-double pink variety to be the true strain from Dr. Lee's garden. Long, deep green foliage. Spreading, bushy growth; midseason to late.

David Gerbing. (Our seedling.) *New.* Lovely pink, double rosebud form with 3 to 4-inch bloom. The opening color and form resembles that of a Pink Radiance rose. When fully open some show short stamens. Foliage is long, medium green. Vigorous, bushy, tall growth; very free flowering midseason to late. A handsome new variety available in grafted plants (limited).

✓ **9 Empress.** An immense, semi-double deep pink flower with golden stamens in the center. Deep green foliage. Tall, slow growth; early flowering.

Helen of Troy. (Do not confuse with H. A. Downing which is sometimes listed as Helen of Troy. This variety is not the same or in any way similar.) Very large, deep pink, symmetrical petalage characterizes this variety which opens flat with showy stamens when fully expanded. The long, glossy, medium-sized foliage resembles that of Mathotiana Rubra. Vigorous in growth.

No. 113. Grandiflora Rosea. Usually described as semi-double or loose peony-flowered type; the large petals of the 5-inch blooms are veined with deep rose. A row of twisted petals which stand apart make this Camellia one of exceptional form. Large, glossy green foliage.

Pink Poppy. (One of our hybrids.) A single soft pink flower, 3 inches in diameter; some are semi-double. The entire flower is covered inside with a rosette of golden stamens resembling a poppy—a novel and handsome Camellia which is also fragrant. A tall, slow-growing plant with rounded dark green foliage.



Celtic Rosea

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ELEVEN

Rosea Superba. A very large, double, deep pink flower of the Mathotiana Rubra type outstanding for its free-flowering habit. Foliage is typical of the type—long, dull green. Growth upright and vigorous; flowering season early to late. We consider it our finest and largest pink Camellia.

Eleanor Haygood. This is one of the most handsome delicate pink Camellias yet offered the public. Its rose form flowers upon opening develop fully showing a few short stamens when completely open. Foliage large dull green. Flowering late in the season. Growth upright, symmetrical. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Laurel Leaf. This is a solid pink Sport of Contessa Lavinia Maggi, same size flowers, identical growth habits, time of bloom foliage. It is a fine contrast to its variegated parent.

Lady Dunn. Originating at Loxley, Alabama, comes this lovely early large flowering peony form Camellia. The color is pleasing deep pink to rose pink. Occasionally stripes of red are found on a petal. Foliage is long pointed dull green. Growth slow and open inclined to be willowy.

Magnoliaeflora. This lovely semi-double pale pink Camellia is in great demand, flowering in midseason. Foliage very glossy medium green pointed. Slow loosely upright growth. Origin unknown.

Pink Marquise d'Exeter. This is a solid pink Sport of the variegated form. Has the early flowering habit of the parent. Foliage, growth, time of bloom and long lasting flowers are all inherent from the parent.

Souv. de Bahaud-Liton. (Lady Francis, Carol Lombard). This full double shell-pink, late flowering Camellia is evidently a Sport of the late flowering Mathotiana Alba. It has all of the latter's habits and appearance except that it is light pink. Origin not known, possibly general.

Anna Bruneau. This double deep pink rose bud form Camellia is a late bloomer, resembling in form the Mathotiana Alba. It should be planted in shade as it will not develop fine flowers when exposed to full sun. Foliage is large deep glossy green. Growth upright. Its origin is not known to me.

Crepe Rosette (Middletoni, No. 6). Measuring 4½ inches in diameter, the deep pink semi-double blooms have three rows of outer petals which are twisted and intermingled with the stamens. They are veined with red, and white margins mark each petal of this variety, which is considered one of the finest from the Middleton Gardens. Foliage light green. Symmetrical growth of medium height. Early to late flowering.

Lady Hume's Blush. This is the true strain imported from Europe many years ago. Best described as shell-pink to white. It varies from 2 to 3 inches in diameter. Long-pointed light green foliage and slow, slender growth characterizes this variety.

Debutante (Sara C. Hastie). This beautiful light pink peony-like Camellia measures 3½ to 4 inches in diameter. Light green foliage. Slow growth; early flowering.

Marchioness of Exeter. The deep pink peony-like flowers measure 4 to 5 inches across. Long, glossy deep foliage. Wide-spreading growth; midseason flowering.

Rev. John Bennett. True Magnolia Garden stock. A very large, semi-double, deep rose-pink bloom with prominent stamens. Flowers measure 6 inches and over. One of the rarest and finest. Long, narrow, dark green foliage. Spreading growth; late flowering.

Rev. John G. Drayton. A loose peony-like flower of pleasing deep pink; wavy petals intermingled with golden stamens. Light green foliage. Tall, angular growth; late bloomer.



Dixie

Pink Ball. Peony-like soft pink flower. Dull green foliage. Slow growth; midseason flowering.

Pink Star. Bright rose-pink peony-like flower with golden stamens interspersed with inner petaloids; outer petals pointed, giving a star formation. Very slow growth; midseason bloomer.

✓ **Kumasaka.** Large deep pink peony-like flowers. Glossy green foliage. Tall, slow growth; late bloomer.

Akebono. A semi-double salmon-pink flower of exquisite formation—petals stand apart. Dark green glossy foliage. Bushy growth; midseason flowering.

Daikagura. Large, full, peony-like deep pink flowers. Large, dull green foliage. Slow tall growth; a very early bloomer.

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RED GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

○ **Dr. W. G. Lee.** An extraordinary dark velvety red, semi-double flower from the garden of Dr. W. G. Lee. The blooms average 3 to 4 inches in diameter with golden stamens showing in the center. This variety has been greatly admired by male collectors of Camellias. Round, deep green, glossy foliage. Spreading growth; early to midseason.

○ **Emperor of Russia.** A dazzling red hybrid that takes first place in any garden when it is in bloom. This brilliantly colored red flower is peony-like in form with golden stamens among the inner twisted petals. Very often the flowers appear to be four or five in one. Slow, bushy growth with dark green foliage. We consider this the finest red-flowering peony-form variety.

H. A. Downing. A very large, semi-double flower of deep rosy red with stamens showing among the petals. Dark green foliage. Low, bushy, slow growth.

Lawrence Haynes. (One of our hybrids.) A full peony-flowered form, 3 to 4 inches in diameter. The large, twisted petals of this dark velvety red flower are intermingled with a few golden stamens. The long foliage is narrow and light green in color. Tall and angular in its growth.

○ **Leona Bolen.** *New.* A vivid red, semi-double variety with 4-inch flowers whose petals stand well apart from the showy stamens in the center. The brightest red of all our Camellias. Rounded, dull green foliage. Extremely slow, low, bushy growth. Midseason flowering.

○ **Vittorio Emanuele.** A variety that is impossible to describe because of its exquisite form and its spectacular depth of coloring. Deep green foliage. Medium-sized grower; midseason bloomer.

○ **William S. Hastie (Colonel Firey).** A full, double Dahlia-flowered, dark red form which makes a choice cut-flower. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering.

Lady Mary Cromartie (Magnolia, No. 25). We do not know the name of this unusually large cup-shaped peony-like flower of deepest red. It has short stamens in the center and measures 5½ to 6 inches in diameter. Rounded, deep dull green foliage. Slow, symmetrical growth; late flowering.



William Penn

Campbell Ashley (Middletoni, No. 13). A loosely formed, peony-type flower of deepest red, with petals of crepe-like texture. The petaloids of this 4-inch flower are intermingled with the stamens. Growth is tall and the deep green leaves are noticeably long. Late flowering.

William (Middletoni, No. 11). Semi-double, it is usually described as the darkest red, measuring 4 to 5 inches in diameter with two rows of petals veined with lighter shadings of red. A choice plant with long-pointed dark green foliage.

C. N. Hastie. Dark red, peony-like flowers, measuring 4 to 5 inches across, distinguish this outstanding variety from Magnolia Gardens. Round, glossy dark green foliage. Tall, symmetrical growth.

Margaret Higdon. Here is a rare and choice Camellia of superior quality. Loose peony-like, brilliant rose-red in color, each petal of the 4 to 5-inch flower is margined with white. Medium green, glossy foliage. Symmetrical growth.

Arejishi. A medium-sized flower of peony form with large outer guard petals and center filled with numerous petaloids. Very dark green glossy foliage. Fast, open growth. With us it blooms in early September.

Vedrine. A large, loose, deep red, peony-like flower, averaging 4 to 5 inches in diameter. It is exquisite in its color and formation and the stamens are intermingled with the petaloids in the inner portion of the flower. Slightly twisted foliage. Slow, open growth; midseason to late.

Mathotiana Rubra. An immense, double, deep red flower which, when fully open, shows some stamens in the center. Dull green foliage. Vigorous, tall growth; midseason flowering.

Senator Duncan Fletcher. Originating with us from seed this fine peony formed rose red to dark red Camellia flowers midseason to late. In cold weather the color is deep velvety red. In mild weather it is rose red. Free flowering. Foliage dull green twisted. Growth, slow upright.

Anna Lee. This variety also comes from the gardens of Dr. Lee. The large red flowers of semi-double form have prominent stems in center which develop in three separate segments. Flowering in midseason to late. Foliage very large glossy deep green. Growth sturdy upright. Very fine and limited.

Amelia. Originating with us from seed, named for the little town or village of Amelia City, where is located my Nursery. Opens its flowers in November through March. Free flowering. Growth slow upright sturdy. Foliage rounded glossy green.

Adolph Andusson. A very rare Camellia, with its large red to red and white spotted flowers opening in midseason. My strain is mostly variegated. Foliage glossy deepest green. Growth slow sturdy. Origin unknown to us.

Aunt Jettie. This handsome red Camellia originated in Tallahassee, Fla. It is thought by some to be a red Sport of the Gov. Mouton. Foliage is similar. Form of bloom and time of bloom correspond.

Mrs. Charles Cobb. Here is a Camellia in a class to itself. The color is darkest red to coppery bronze. Semi-double to loosely peony form with golden stamens intermingled, flowering in midseason. Foliage large wide glossy green. Growth slow spreading. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.



Cameo Pink

Marion Mitchell. Said to be the finest of the Magnolia Gardens red hybrids. Its large semi-double scarlet red flowers, midseason flowering. Foliage long pointed deep green. Growth upright, vigorous.

Glen No. 40. Originating from the Tea Gardens at Summerville, S. C., this fine double red found its way to Florida through the Glen Saint Mary Nursery at Glen Saint Mary, Fla., there labeled Glen No. 40, which title it carries today. Very slow of growth. Foliage waxy glossy deep green.

Fernandina. This variety originated with us from seed. Its velvety red flowers open in midseason. Free flowering, hardy. The foliage is similar to that of Mathotiana Rubra. Growth is slow spreading.

Firebrand. This fine hardy Camellia has large semi-double scarlet red flowers with prominent stamens in center. Symmetrical upright growth which is slow. Starts flowering in December. Foliage deep green glossy. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Emperor. This beautifully formed peony Camellia originated in Loxley, Alabama. Sold there as Emperor of Russia. Incorrect name. Its very large flowers open in December. Free flowering. Foliage deep green heavily ribbed. Growth slow spreading.

Boutonniere. This dark red showing light white margin at base of petals is free flowering late in season. Foliage very deep green small rounded. Growth spreading medium vigorous. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Cardinal Richelieu. This fine peony-form red Camellia has proven extremely hardy. Free flowering. Starts flowering in November through March. Foliage large dull green. Growth strong symmetrical. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Firegold. (Te Deum, Dr. Sheppard, Pasha of Persia). Large fire-red, semi-double to peony form, 5 to 6-inch bloom. Petals large; stamens in great numbers forming a mass of golden yellow in the center of the flower, hence its name Firegold. Its formation varies from a single star to full peony form. Last winter it took first prize at four Camellia shows in its class. Foliage is round, dull green. Growth is slow and it is very difficult to propagate. Midseason to late flowering.

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VARIEGATED GOLD MEDAL CAMELLIAS

Appacea. (Great Eastern, Bolens No. 9). This extremely handsome variegated Camellia came to me from Lindo Nursery at Cico, California. The very peony-form 4-inch flowers open midseason to late. Resembles in form the Emperor of Russia. Free flowering. Foliage deep glossy green. Growth slow upright stocky. One of the finest new Camellias in recent years.

Colletti Maculata. A blood-red, peony-like flower, marbled with snow-white; large outer guard petals. Round, deep green foliage. Very slow grower; low and flat. This is the finest variegated peony form.

Contessa Lavinia Maggi (Laurel Leaf). A very large, double pink flower, spotted with white. Long, narrow, light green foliage. Extremely slow growth; blooms late.



Rosea Superba

00 **Eleanor of Fair Oaks.** Deep red, marbled with white—a rich combination for a loose peony-type flower that measures 5 to 6 inches across. The bright stamens are intermingled with the petaloids. Mr. Norman Mansfield, of New Orleans, La., considers this the finest Camellia in America. Dull deep green foliage and vigorous, slender growth characterize this variety. Midseason to late flowering.

0 **Gov. Mouton.** A large-flowering, peony-type Camellia of deep red coloring marbled with white. Dark foliage. Medium in growth.

0 **Nagaska.** Semi-double rose-pink flowers spotted with white. Round, dark green foliage. Slow in growth; late.

Otome Variegated. When opening the flower has the form of a rosebud. The shell-pink 4-inch blooms are suffused and striped with deep rose-pink. This very handsome variety has small, round, dull green foliage and slow, spreading growth. Identical with Otome White. Midseason.

Paeoniflora. An extremely large, white, peony-type bloom speckled with pink—sometimes they appear solid pink and some half pink and half white. A truly outstanding Camellia is this variety which expands some 5 to 6 inches across. Round, deep green foliage. Strong, upright growth and very free-flowering from early to midseason.

0 **Donkelaari (Middletoni, No. 15).** We consider this to be the finest strain of the true Donkelaari in America. The 6-inch deep red flowers are spotted and marbled with white. Long, narrow foliage. Extremely slow in growth; early flowering.

Speciosa (Middletoni, No. 7). Not unlike Professor C. S. Sargent in form is this bomb-type peony-flowered form of deepest red spotted with pure white. The deep glossy green foliage and the vigorous, wide-spreading habit of growth are worth considering. Midseason to late flowering.

0 **Catherine Cathcart.** Double pink blossoms marbled with white, measuring 3½ to 4 inches across, and noted for their symmetrical form. Rounded, light green foliage which is heavily ribbed. Slow, slender growth; late flowering.

C. M. Hovey (Paulina). A full double, dark red flower, marbled and speckled with snow-white. It measures 4 to 5 inches in diameter and the petals are unusually large. Long, dull green foliage. Slow, bushy growth.

Marchioness of Salisbury. Deep red, peony-form flowers marbled with pure white. The coloring and formation of this 3 to 4-inch bloom is truly exquisite. Long, dull green, twisted foliage. Slow growth. One of the finest.

0 **Duchess of Sutherland.** We consider none finer than this semi-double, white, 6-inch bloom of exquisite form which occasionally has a pink stripe on one petal. Long, glossy, medium green foliage. Spreading growth; midseason flowering.

0 **Gigantea (Magnolia King).** An enormous, semi-double deep red flower, marbled with white. Immense, dark green foliage. Tall, slow growth; late flowering.

Surprise. A double rose-flowered form of shell-pink striped and flaked with rose-pink. When first open the 4-inch flowers have a perfect rose formation but in full development the stamens show in the center. Very choice. Midseason flowering.

0 **Princess Nagaskie. (var. Mallott).** A very large, semi-double soft pink flower marbled with white and measuring 5 to 6 inches across. It has created a sensation at Camellia shows. Very long, deeply serrated, dull green foliage. Low, vigorous, spreading growth; midseason to late flowering.



Churchwell White

Princess Bachanachi. Full, double dark red blooms of good size marbled with white. They last for many days in perfect condition on the plant. Large, round, glossy foliage. Tall, vigorous growth.

Sarasa. (Formerly listed as Sawada.) A hybrid from Alabama, this semi-double salmon-pink flower, 5 to 5½ inches in diameter, is streaked and speckled with white, and some are solid pink. Round, dark green foliage. Tall, open growth; midseason bloomer.

William Penn (Purple Peony). A distinct novelty of medium size with peony-like flowers of deep purple marked with white. A tall, willowy grower, with deep green, heavily serrated foliage. Blooms in midseason.

Daikagura Variegated. Large, full, peony-like, deep pink flowers marbled with white. Large, dull green foliage. Slow, tall growth; very early bloomer.

Matsukasa, Pine Cone. Full double rose-red flowers speckled with white. Petals are narrow and pointed, stand apart, resembling a pine cone. Foliage is marbled with cream streaks. Slow, bushy growth; late flowering.

Mikenjaku (Empress of Russia). A very large, semi-double rose-pink flower marbled with white. Petals, which are frilled and twisted, are intermixed with golden stamens. Dull green foliage. Slow growth.

Monjisu Variegated. Peony-like, deep velvety red flower speckled and spotted with white. Glossy foliage. Bushy, slow growth; late flowering.

James Hyde Porter. This handsome Camellia resembling in color the Sport of Hermes No. 3 originated in the famous gardens of Dr. W. G. Lee of Macon, Ga. The loosely peony form, white with red striped flowers begin opening early in the fall, continuing through the winter months, foliage is dark green, wavy twisted. Growth is spreading.

Scarlett O'Hara. This is a variegated Sport of the fine William S. Hastie. (Col. Firey.) Having white specks in the petalage. It has all of the characteristics of the parent. Origin, Flowerwood Nursery.

Tea Garden Colletti. This dwarf Camellia comes to me from South Carolina. (Not to be mistaken for the Colletti Maculata.) It is one of the slowest growing Camellias in my collection. Semi-double pink with wide white marked petals. Bushy. Compact growth. Foliage small rounded dull green.

Empress Variegated. Originating from a grafted plant this variegated form is of the well known Empress. Its form, size, foliage, type of growth, time of bloom are identical to its parent.

Eugene Lisse (Lady Jane Gray). This variegated semi-double to loose peony-form Camellia is said to be a seedling from Donkelaari. Foliage is similar, being thicker and not so glossy. Time of bloom is November through February. Growth very slow upright. Origin not known to me.

Dr. Lees No. 43. This variety from the garden of Dr. Lee is a full double medium pink flower of about 3 inches in size. Flowering in midseason. Foliage is small deep green glossy. Growth upright, sturdy.

Leona Bolen, Variegated. The parent is solid red. This Sport originated from a grafted plant. Semi-double prominent stamens, flowering mid-season to late, foliage dull thick green, growth dwarf spreading.



Christine Lee

FERNANDINA, FLORIDA

TWENTY-THREE

Elizabeth Arden. This variegated Camellia opens rose form, when fully developed stamens showing in mingled petaloids. Semi-double in construction, often sporting solid rose red flowers. Late flowering and very hardy. Foliage long narrow medium green. Growth symmetrical. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Eleanor Franchetti. Originating at Thomasville, Ga., this large peony form white with a few stripes of rose pink is outstanding in character. The large flowers opening in December through March. Foliage very large glossy green sharply pointed. Growth is vigorous upright, inclined to be open.

Captain Martin's Favorite. This double Camellia has charm. Free flowering December through March. Foliage dull green pointed. Growth slow symmetrical. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Hermes Sport No. 2. (Beauty of Holland, Jenny Lind). In 1932 this Sport of Hermes was sold to me under the name of Jenny Lind in Alabama from Overlook Nursery. It has all the desirable characteristics of the Hermes family and is outstandingly beautiful.

Lady Van Sittart Variegated. A beautiful variegated form of Lady Van Sittart. Identical habit of growth. Same flowering period. Foliage deep glossy green, deeply serrated twisted.

Hermes Sport No. 3. (Jenny Lind). This third Sport of Hermes resembles the Variegated Lady Van Sittart in color, but is of the same loosely peony form as are all the other Hermes. No definite name has been adopted for this fine variety. Several nurseries are listing it as Jenny Lind.

Hermes Sport No. 4. An exceptionally handsome Sport of Hermes, with flowers pink with white margin at edges of petals. It does not have the usual stripes found in Hermes. I found a branch on a small Hermes plant in 1936. It is not yet available. Orders booked this season for next season's delivery on grafted plants only.

La Reine, Variegated. This outstanding large handsome Camellia is no doubt a Sport of the Handsome Lady Mary Cromartie (Magnolia Garden No. 25). Having all the habits of the latter. Foliage large rounded waxy. Growth slow sturdy upright. Origin not known to me.

Lindsay Neil. Here is the gem of all variegated Camellias. It has size, color, dependability of developing, perfect bloom. Early flowering, foliage large glossy green, growth slow spreading, inclined to be open.

General (George) Washington. This fine semi-double white with a stripe of deep pink in one petal occasionally, is very waxy petaled. Flowering midseason. Foliage large dull green. Growth slow spreading. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Kumasaka, Variegated. The peony-like flowers are large deep pink, spotted with white. Glossy green foliage. Tall, slow growth; very late bloomer.

Otome, Variegated. A lovely variety from California. Flowers of rose form 3½ inches open to show stamens when fully developed. Midseason to late. Foliage dull green rounded. Growth slow spreading.

Prices of the above group. Fine Rare and Slow Growing Camellias—

Grafted Plants: 12" \$7.50; 18" \$10.00; 24" \$15.00; 30" \$20.00; 36" \$25.00; 40" \$30.00.

Own root plants: 2½" pot 3-5" \$1.00; (6-8" to 10-12" not available this season); 12-15" \$3.50; 15-18" \$5.00; 18-24" \$8.00; 24-30" \$10.00; 30-36" \$15.00; 36-40" \$22.00; 40-48" \$25.00.

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Colletti Maculata

FINE CAMELLIAS

GROUP NO. 1—WHITE

○ **Alba Plena.** An early-flowering, full, double white variety that blooms for Christmas and makes a useful cut-flower. Light green foliage; medium growth. Available in all sizes up to 4½ feet.

Candidissima. A medium-sized double pure white flower which is much prized for cutting. Light green foliage. Very slow growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Purity. This large-flowering, full, double white is known for its free-flowering habit. Dark green foliage. Very slow growth. Available in all sizes to 3 ft.

Amabilis. Single pure white flower with golden stamens in center; resembles a white poppy when fully open. Glossy foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering.

Leucantha. This is a pure white Sport of the Tricolor Seboldi. Hardy flowering early in midseason. Foliage dull green slightly ruffled. Growth sturdy upright. General origin.

GROUP NO. 1—PINK

Beali Rosea. A deep pink, 3-inch flower, fully double in form, with symmetrical petalage. Small, round, deep green foliage. Slow growth. Late flowering. All sizes up to 4 to 5 feet.

Caleb Cope. A top-notch double form measuring 2 to 3 inches across. Upright in growth with small foliage. Midseason.

Cameo Pink. Light pink in color is this 3½ to 4-inch full double variety which shows golden stamens in the center when fully expanded. It went through 12 degrees below zero in the open with no protection and was not injured in any way. A slow, bushy grower with light green, medium-sized foliage. We consider it the finest pink Camellia in the market for use as a cut-flower. Blooms in December and January. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

Celtic Rosea. Semi-double flesh-pink variety with golden stamens showing. Narrow, light green foliage. Slow growth. Available in all sizes up to 4 to 5 ft.

Cheerfulness. A true double deep rose form. Small, dark green foliage. Slow growth; mid-season flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Enchantress. (Formerly listed as Christine Lee.) Large pink flowers, semi-double in form, with conspicuous stamens. They measure 4 to 5 inches in diameter. Small, glossy foliage. Tall, upright grower; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Gilbeaus Pink. Peony-shaped light pink flowers of medium size. Light green foliage. Tall, open growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Gumellie. Very large, deep rose, peony-like flowers. Light green foliage. Low, slow, bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Otome. A large double pink variety. Very desirable for cutting. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

✓ **Pink Perfection.** Usually considered the most popular pink variety for cutting. It is a full double flower of medium size and shell-pink in coloring. Slow growth; early free bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.



Prince Eugene Napoleon

Rubra Virginalis. A peony-formed flower with large outer guard petals. The center of this truly beautiful Camellia is filled with small petaloids. Large, light green foliage. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft. Supply limited.

Wilder's Rose. Full double, deep pink flowers, measuring 3 inches in diameter. This variety is known for its profuse bloom. Dull green foliage. Tall, upright growth; midseason flowering. Available up to 1½ ft.

Daybreak (No. 7). A fluffy peony-type flower of medium size and soft pink coloring. Dull green foliage. Bushy growth; late flowering.

Nellie Cohen. (One of our hybrids.) A semi-double to loose peony-flowered bloom, best described as a shade of pink not usually found in Camellias. Flowers measure 3½ to 4 inches, with golden stamens set among twisted petals. A bushy grower with round, medium green foliage.

Sacco Rose. Medium-sized blooms, fully double in form, of a good shade of pink. Small, deep green foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

GROUP NO. 1—RED

✓ **Brilliant.** An unusual brilliant red shade is this full double flower. Very dark glossy foliage. Bushy grower; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Campelli. A double dark red form that needs to be planted in the shade if you would enjoy rich-colored flowers. Very large, dark green foliage. Fast growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Imperator. An outstanding Camellia of peony-like form, deep red in color, with golden stamens among the petaloids. Dull green, twisted foliage. Tall, open growth. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

Lady Van Sittart. A showy semi-double red variety. Deep green glossy foliage. Very slow growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

✓ **Prince Eugene Napoleon.** This first-rate cut-flower variety has double, deep blood-red blooms of medium size which appear at Christmas. Large, glossy dark green foliage. Tall, open growth. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

✓ **Professor C. S. Sargent.** A large, peony-type flower of bomb-like form. This variety should be planted in full sun for the maximum bloom. Dark green, round foliage. Tall, fast growth; early flowering. Available in all sizes up to 7 ft.

Communist. A fiery red semi-double Camellia opening in a rose bud form, showing stamens when fully developed. Flowering midseason to late. Foliage glossy rounded. New foliage deep red. Growth vigorous spreading. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Hermes Sport No. 1. This all pink Sport of Hermes is the most common one, and is to be found on practically all Hermes plants of any size. So far as known it has not been given a definite name in foliage. Growth, blooming season, fragrance and hardiness are inherited from the parent.

Hibiscus. A large single deep rose pink to red with prominent stamens in center. Flowering at midseason. Foliage long pointed dull green. Growth spreading. Origin, Magnolia Gardens.

Derbiana. A double red of rosebud form when first open; when fully expanded the golden stamens show among the inner petals of this 4 to 4½-inch flower. Dark green glossy foliage. Bushy growth; midseason flowering.



Mrs. Millar Wilson

- Mme. de Strekaloff.** (*New type*). A large, loose, peony-like white bloom striped and speckled with pink, some pure white or pink. Midseason. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.
- Mrs. Luerman.** A full double red variety marbled with white. Dark green foliage. Slow growth; late flowering. Available up to 3 ft.

Prices of Group No. 1 Fine Camellias—

| | Each | Per 10 |
|---|--------|---------|
| From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery..... | \$.30 | \$ 2.50 |
| From Lath House, 12 to 15 in. tall. B.&B..... | 1.25 | 10.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B..... | 2.00 | 17.50 |
| From Field, Specimen, 18 to 24 in., branched. B.&B..... | 3.00 | 27.50 |
| From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in., branched. B.&B..... | 4.50 | 40.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in., branched. B.&B..... | 7.50 | 70.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in., branched. B.&B..... | 9.00 | 80.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 40 to 48 in., branched. B.&B..... | 10.50 | 100.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 4 to 5 ft., branched. B.&B..... | 15.00 | |
| Sizes 8-10" and 10-12" not available this season. | | |

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CAMELLIAS— Good Standard Varieties

GROUP NO. 2—WHITE

- Churchwell.** A first-rate, double, pure white cut-flower variety. Light green foliage. Bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.
- Duchesse d'Orleans.** An occasional streak of rose appears in some of the flowers of this full double white variety. Tall upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.
- Elizabeth.** Although the full double flowers are predominantly white, some pink flowers occur occasionally. A good cut-flower of medium size. Light green foliage. Wide bushy growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.
- Mathotiana Alba.** This variety must be planted in dense shade to develop its profuse bloom. Full double; pure white; large. Light green foliage. Tall growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.
- Nobilissima.** A pure white peony-form bloom with yellow stamens. Light green foliage. Tall, upright growth; early flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

GROUP NO. 2—PINK

- Anna Frost.** Large, semi-double blooms of clear pink. Light green foliage. Vigorous upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.
- Cliviana.** Semi-double light pink flowers of large size. Rounded, dull green foliage. Unusually vigorous, upright growth; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.



Scarlett O'Hara

Dixie. Large, full, double vivid pink flowers, much prized for cutting. Slow, upright growth, late bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

Haley's Monarch. Semi-double light pink flowers of peony form. Large, light green foliage. Strong, tall growth; late bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Mathilda. Medium in size is this desirable pink variety which is frequently used for cutting. Slow, bushy growth; late flowering. Available up to 18 in.

GROUP NO. 2—RED

Browns Red. An outstanding Camellia. Semi-double in form, black-red in color; known for its good size and too profuse bloom. Deep green glossy foliage. Tall, upright growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Gloire de Nantes. Rose-red coloring characterizes this large loose peony-type flower. Dark green foliage. Rapid growth. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Jarvis Red. A very hardy variety which stands considerable sun. Semi-double flowers are blood-red in color with golden stamens among the petals, or in a solid cluster of flowers. Dark green foliage. Wide-spreading, vigorous growth; late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Sarah Frost. Known for its hardiness and its popularity. We can readily recommend this medium-sized, double flower which varies from deep rose-pink to red. Some of the flowers when fully open have two centers which resemble a pair of owl eyes. Very profuse in its flowering. Growth is unusually bushy; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 3 ft.

No. 105. Large, loose, peony-type rose-red blooms. Similar to *Camellia reticulata*. Dark green foliage which is curved. Tall, upright growth; late flowering. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

GROUP NO. 2—VARIEGATED

Cheerful. Double; pink striped with white. Dull green foliage. Bushy, upright growth; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 2 ft.

Duc d'Orleans. Large, loose, peony-form flower of soft flesh-pink, striped and speckled with rose; the golden stamens appear among twisted petals. This variety can be depended on for Christmas bloom. Large, round, deep green foliage. Vigorous, bushy growth; very early flowering. In all sizes up to 5 ft.

Matosi. A full double baby-pink variety marbled with white. It begins to bloom early in the season and lasts over a long period. Very desirable because of its profuse bloom. Light green foliage. Tall, bushy growth. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.

Mme. de Strekaloff. Rose-pink flowers of peony form, streaked with deep rose-red. Light green foliage. Rapid, bushy growth; very late flowering. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Prince Albert. The fragrant rosy pink flowers, spotted with white, are of medium size and peony-like in form. Dull green foliage. Tall growth; midseason flowering. Available in all sizes up to 5 ft.



*Dr. W. G. Lee
Variegated*

T. K. Variegated. An unusual semi-double variety known for its many colors—white striped pink, rose and lavender, and sometimes solid pink and purple. We highly recommend this variety which in full bloom resembles something from a Japanese garden. Dull green foliage. Tall, vigorous growth; midseason bloomer. Available in all sizes up to 6 ft.

Prices of Camellia Group No. 2—Standard Varieties—

| | Each | Per 10 |
|---|--------|---------|
| From 2½-in. pots, winter or spring delivery..... | \$.25 | \$ 2.00 |
| From Lath House, 12 to 15 in., branched. B.&B..... | .85 | 8.00 |
| From Lath House, 15 to 18 in., branched. B.&B..... | 1.50 | 12.50 |
| From Field, specimen, 18 to 24 in., branched. B.&B..... | 2.50 | 22.50 |
| From Field, specimen, 24 to 30 in., branched. B.&B..... | 3.50 | 32.50 |
| From Field, specimen, 30 to 36 in., branched. B.&B..... | 6.50 | 60.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 36 to 40 in., branched. B.&B..... | 7.50 | 70.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 40 to 48 in., branched. B.&B..... | 8.50 | 80.00 |
| From Field, specimen, 4 to 5 ft., branched. B.&B..... | 10.00 | |
| Sizes 8-10" and 10-12" not available this season. | | |

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SASANQUA CAMELLIAS

Known in Japan as Kotusubaki, Camellia Sasanqua, and its forms, are of real garden interest. The plants flower in early fall, have small glossy green foliage and produce flowers which are suggestive in form of a wild rose. Because of their rapid growth, the plants are useful for hedges and screen plantings as well as for specimen use. These picturesque shrubs are rather open in their growth and do best when planted in full sun.

CAMELLIA SASANQUA

Cleopatra. Semi-double blooms of crimson-red with golden stamens. Slow, bushy growth. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

Dawn. Semi-double, single white flowers with edges of petals blush-pink. Available in sizes up to 2 ft.

Mine-no-yuki. Peony-form pure white flowers with golden stamens. Available in all sizes up to 4 ft.

Rosea. Single, deep pink flowers with golden stamens. Available in sizes up to 2 ft. Prices of *Camellia Sasanqua* are same as *C. japonica* Group No. 2.

CAMELLIAS BY G. G. GERBING

Published November 10th, 1943

The first Camellia plate book in full color to be produced in America was published last year by G. G. Gerbing. Offered on the 10th of November, 1943. In it Mr. Gerbing had set forth his practical experiences over a period of 12 years with Camellias. 108 color plates in natural sizes and colors. Detailed instructions for propagation, transplanting, fertilizing, water, soils, insects and diseases, monthly care, how to cut and pack Camellia bloom, varieties suitable for greenhouse culture, average blooming season, a complete list of duplicate names. The book contains 280 pages, 6½" x 9¼", 108 color plates. Bound in cloth. Price prepaid \$15.



Somegawa

Mr. Gerbing is now preparing his second volume of Camellias in color. There are to be about 80 varieties which are not shown in the book Camellias. These plates will be 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ " x 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ " on heavy gloss paper 9" x 12". These new plates will be superior in every respect than those produced for Camellias. All are actual size of the flower shown, in most cases a full blown flower and a bud are shown with a quantity of foliage. These plates will be ideal for framing for interior decorating. Included in this binding will be a revised up to date supplement of the Text in Camellias. Mr. Gerbing hopes to have this volume ready for distribution in late 1944 or early 1945.

NOTE: *All orders for books are to be sent direct to G. G. Gerbing, Fernandina, Florida.*

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO TO GROW AZALEAS AND CAMELLIAS SUCCESSFULLY

In preparing the soil for an Azalea garden first remove all weeds and surface growth from the area which you have selected. Then remove enough soil to accommodate the following mixture—6 inches of muck from a fresh-water pond; a 2-inch layer of dairy fertilizers; a 2-inch layer of peat moss or sawdust (preferably cypress); an application of 20 per cent Acid Phosphate. These ingredients should be thoroughly incorporated with 6 inches of original soil to make an ideal soil mixture. If the location is inclined to be wet, raise the beds where the plants are to be located so that they are at least 1 foot above the original level of the land.

In setting out Camellias and Azaleas remember that they must be planted so that the surface roots are level with the surrounding soil. Pack the roots firmly by stamping the ground; water liberally just after planting. Then mulch the entire area with 2 inches of oak leaves or an inch of peat moss. One thorough watering each week is usually sufficient. If artesian water is used it should be applied with a sprinkler which aerates the water before it enters the soil; thus the injurious minerals are allowed to evaporate. Keep your newly planted garden free of weeds. An application of "Azalea Special" Fertilizer in March and June is sufficient to keep your plants in vigorous condition.

INSECT CONTROL

Red Spider. *Symptoms:* The foliage begins to turn brown. Dust the underside of the leaves with S.A.T. early in the morning before the dew dries up. Formula—8 lbs. Sulphur Dust; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Arsenate of Lead; 2 lbs. Tobacco Dust.

Worms, Grasshoppers and Blue-Green Flea Beetle. *Symptoms:* These insects chew holes in Camellia foliage. Spray with Arsenate of Lead in spring before new growth starts. Continue as needed. Formula—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. to 10 gals. of water.

Scale Infestation. *Symptoms:* Yellow spots appear on foliage. Underside of foliage should be sprayed with Oil Emulsion Spray. Formula—1 qt. of Volk to 12 gals. of water. Spray in April, May, or June. (Never spray in winter; freezing temperatures injure plants which have been sprayed at that time.)

Aphids. *Symptoms:* Small black-brown insects attack tender foliage. Spray with Black-Leaf 40 as needed. Formula—1 tablespoonful to a gal. of water.

Phomopsis Blight (Fungus Disease). Possibly most detrimental of all Camellia diseases. *Symptoms:* Small branchlets shrivel up in spring after new growth develops to about 4 to 8 inches; sometimes the entire top of a plant will shrivel; sometimes the roots are diseased and it is not apparent until the entire plant is dead. Hence, it is advisable to spray all Camellias and Azaleas with Bordeaux Mixture each spring; regardless of weather Phomopsis Blight is always present. Formula—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. Bordeaux Mixture (4-4-50) to 10 gals. of water. Spray sufficient to wet all the branches and the trunk, in March, April or May. (Cold-weather precautions—water all plants at the roots before a freeze.)



Ruby

THREE NEW AZALEAS

Black Hawk. Single, large, golden bronze blooms are borne on tall, open growth in great profusion. Midseason.

Ruby. Single flowers of blood-red distinguish this Azalea which we consider the finest red we know. Slow, bushy, low-growing habit. Midseason.

Sachem. Large, single brilliant red blooms produced on vigorous, bushy plants. Midseason.

Prices on Above Three New Varieties

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 4-in. plants 25c each | 8-in. plants 60c each |
| 6-in. plants 40c each | 10-in. plants \$1.00 each |

Balled and Burlapped. All plants are bushy and well budded.

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KURUME AZALEAS

WHITE VARIETIES

Snow. Of medium growth, the bushy plants produce pure white hose-in-hose type flowers and deep green, glossy foliage. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 10 to 12 in.

PINK VARIETIES

Cherry Blossom. The delightful cherry-blossom-pink hose-in-hose type flowers are borne on plants of tall, open growth with large, round, dull green foliage. Very late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Coral Bells. The most popular and generally considered the best pink Kurume with small, deep pink hose-in-hose flowers borne in great profusion. Tall, vigorous, fast growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 24 to 30 in.

Daybreak. Single deep pink flowers, small dull green foliage, and tall, vigorous, upright growth characterize this variety. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Double Apple Blossom. Apple-blossom-pink hose-in-hose type flowers borne in profusion on slow-growing, bushy plants. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

Hortensia. Delicate pink blooms of large size in the hose-in-hose form. Low, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

Pink Pearl. Pale pink, fringed blossoms of the hose-in-hose type which fade to white toward the center. Very profuse in their bloom, the tall, rapid-growing plants have light green, glossy foliage. Early. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 24 to 30 in.

RED VARIETIES

Carmine Prince. Single, deep red flowers of large size; the growth is tall and open. Midseason. Available in sizes from 8 to 10 in. to 10 to 12 in. only.

Christmas Cheer. Brilliant red blooms of the hose-in-hose type are borne on slow-growing, wide-spreading plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Hexe. Large, deep red blooms of the hose-in-hose type. Bushy, dwarf plants. Midseason to late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Hinodegiri. Single, deep red flowers of large size which are borne in great profusion on low, compact, bushy plants. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. up to 30 to 36 in.

SALMON VARIETIES

Bridesmaid. The single deep salmon-pink flowers are borne in large clusters on tall-growing plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Salmon Beauty. Deep salmon blooms of the hose-in-hose type, borne in great profusion on bushy plants. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in., 6 to 8 in. and 10 to 12 in. only.

Salmon Queen. The vigorous, tall-growing plants produce salmon-pink flowers. Early. Available in 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

ORANGE VARIETIES

Orange Beauty. Single blooms of deep orange are produced on slow-growing, bushy plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 8 to 10 in. only.

VARIEGATED VARIETIES

Peach Blow. The single white flowers are striped with pink and the low-growing plants are noted for their bushy habit. Early to midseason. Available from 18 to 24-in. size only.

LAVENDER VARIETIES

Lavender Queen. The large single flowers are a pleasing shade of lavender and the plants are noted for their rapid growth. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 10 to 12 in. only.

Mauve Beauty. The single mauve flowers are borne on very slow-growing bushy plants. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 18 to 24 in.

Violet Queen. The single violet blooms are borne on tall, open growth. Available in 12 to 18 in. and 18 to 24-in. sizes only.

HARDY JAPANESE VARIETIES

Double Pink Macrantha. The double deep pink flowers appear on tall, vigorous-growing plants and the narrow deep green foliage is unusually hardy. May. Available in sizes from 8 to 10 in. to 24 to 30 in.

Flame. Small flame or madder-red blooms are borne on slow upright-growing plants which are noted for their profuse bloom and their hardiness. Available in sizes from 8 to 12 in. to 24 to 36 in.

Prices of Kurume Azaleas and Hardy Japanese Azaleas
In All Varieties, with buds, balled and burlapped

| | Each | Per 10 | | Each |
|------------------|--------|--------|------------------|---------|
| 4 to 6 in..... | \$.35 | \$3.00 | 15 to 18 in..... | \$ 1.50 |
| 6 to 8 in..... | .40 | 3.50 | 18 to 24 in..... | 3.00 |
| 8 to 10 in..... | .50 | 4.50 | 24 to 30 in..... | 5.00 |
| 10 to 12 in..... | .60 | 5.50 | 30 to 36 in..... | 8.00 |
| 12 to 15 in..... | .85 | 8.00 | 3 to 4 ft..... | 15.00 |

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INDICA AZALEAS

WHITE VARIETIES

Fielder's White. A slow-growing bushy type with large single white flowers. It is generally considered the best white Azalea. Midseason. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. to 18 to 24 in.

PINK VARIETIES

Elegans. Clear pink flowers appear early on tall fast growing plants with light green foliage. Available in sizes from 12 to 18 in. to 60 to 72 in.

RED VARIETIES

Brilliant. Low in its habit of growth, the medium-sized flowers are deep rosy red and the foliage is dark green. Early. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 30 to 36 in.

Elegans Superba (Pride of Mobile). A low-growing, bushy plant with watermelon-red flowers of large size and dull green leaves. Midseason. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 30 to 36 in.

Violacea Rubra. The large red-purple flowers appear in abundance on rapid-growing, bushy plants with dark green, glossy foliage. Late. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in., 12 to 18 in., to 36 to 48 in.

Pride of Dorking. Large late flowering deep red profuse bloomer. Fairly hardy. Growth, slow wide compact.

SALMON VARIETIES

Duc de Rohan. Clear salmon flowers of medium size, narrow light green foliage, and low, wide-spreading, bushy growth characterize this variety. Early. Available in sizes from 6 to 8 in. up to 24 to 30 in.

Lawsal. The finest salmon-colored Azalea known for its depth of color, its light green foliage, and its tall, open growth. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. up to 60 to 72 in.



Double Mauve

Pride of Summerville. An outstanding new variety with large salmon blooms which appear several weeks before Lawsall. The flowers of this vigorous-growing, tall plant are larger than Lawsall. (Priced the same as all other Indica Azaleas.)

Georg Franc. Large early salmon with deep rose throat, profuse bloomer. Low flat growth. Quite hardy.

ORANGE RED VARIETIES

Coccinea Major. Dark green, glossy foliage, deep orange-red flowers, and slow-growing, wide-spreading, bushy growth are the distinctive features of this variety. Late. Available in sizes from 12 to 18 in. and 18 to 24 in. only.

President Clay. A very hardy variety with dull green leaves and deep orange-red flowers. Fast-growing, tall, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. to 36 to 48 in.

Prince of Orange. Deep orange variety with dark glossy green foliage and wide-spreading, low growth. Late. Available in sizes from 10 to 12 in. to 24 to 30 in.

Sublanceolata. Unusually large deep orange blooms and large, glossy foliage distinguish this slow-growing bushy type. Late. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. and up.

LAVENDER VARIETIES

Formosa. A most satisfactory variety known for its hardiness, with large lavender blooms, large green foliage and tall, bushy growth. Available in sizes from 4 to 6 in. up to 60 to 72 in.

VARIEGATED VARIETIES

Indica Rosea Magnifica. The large white flowers have conspicuous rose-colored throats. Growth is vigorous, tall, and open and the stocky foliage is slightly hairy. Available in sizes from 18 to 24 in. to 36 to 48 in.

Omurasaki Sport (George Lindley Tabor). A top-notch variety to combine with Formosa is this Sport of lavender Omurasaki. The large flowers are described as blush-pink to white, slightly speckled with or striped with lavender. In full bloom the plant suggests a great bouquet of orchids. It is a vigorous, bushy grower and a very hardy variety. We have a fine stock of plants in sizes from 15 to 18-inch spread at regular Indica prices. Mid-season.

Prices of Indica Azaleas

All Varieties with buds, balled and burlapped

| Spread | Each | Per 10 | Spread | Each | Per 10 |
|------------------|--------|---------|------------------|--------|---------|
| 4 to 6 in..... | \$.30 | \$ 2.50 | 18 to 24 in..... | \$1.50 | \$12.50 |
| 6 to 8 in..... | .35 | 3.00 | 24 to 30 in..... | 2.00 | 17.50 |
| 8 to 10 in..... | .45 | 4.00 | 30 to 36 in..... | 3.00 | 25.00 |
| 10 to 12 in..... | .50 | 4.50 | 36 to 40 in..... | 4.50 | 42.50 |
| 12 to 15 in..... | .75 | 7.00 | 40 to 48 in..... | 6.00 | 55.00 |
| 15 to 18 in..... | .90 | 8.00 | | | |

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Duc de Rohan

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Our 14th Year of Quality and Service—We are Camellia and Azalea specialists, devoting all of our time to growing, propagating and shipping high-grade plants. We are proud of the fine vigorous stock that we have the pleasure of offering to the public. We are always careful to send out only "true to name" stock.

Grading of Stock—Camellias are graded as to height—18 to 24 inches designates a plant 1½ to 2 feet tall.

Values are governed by the character of individual specimens. A slender plant 3 to 4 feet tall is not worth as much as one 2 to 3 feet tall of bushy habit. Bushy Camellias produce many more buds than slender, loose-growing plants.

Prices in this Catalog cancel all previous quotations and are subject to change without notice.

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