

WISLEY TRIALS. 1978

SEDUMS, SPECIES AND CULTIVARS SUITABLE FOR THE HERBACEOUS BORDER, EXCLUDING ALPINE TYPES

Forty-four stocks of Sedums were received for trial at Wisley in 1977. Three young plants of each entry were planted in the open ground on April 7, 1977. The trial was grown in the Portsmouth Field.

The trial was inspected by a sub-committee of Floral Committee 'A' on July 6 & 19, August 17, September 5, and October 3, 1978, and on its recommendation Council has made the following awards to Sedums, species and cultivars suitable for the herbaceous border, excluding **alpine** types.

The number in brackets after the description of the stock was that under which it was grown in the trial.

AUTUMN JOY. (Sent by The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle, Cranbrook, Kent, and Mr. T. Poland, Brook House Nursery, Ardingly, Sussex.) F.C.C. October 3, 1978. Plant 70 cm (2 feet $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches) high, 82 cm (2 feet $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches) spread, vigorous, compact habit. Foliage 9 cm ($3\frac{9}{16}$ inches) long, 4 cm ($1\frac{9}{16}$ inches) wide, medium dull grey-green. Flower stem 63 cm (2 feet $\frac{3}{4}$ inch) high; inflorescence 8 to 10 cm ($3\frac{1}{8}$ to $3\frac{15}{16}$ inches) long, 15 cm ($5\frac{1}{2}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 1 cm ($\frac{2}{8}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, Red-Purple Group 66D becoming paler at base, centre cream. Flowering from September 1, 1978. (42, 43)

VERA JAMESON. (Raised by Mrs. V. Jameson; introduced by Mr. J. Elliott, Broadwell Nursery, Broadwell, Moreton-in-Marsh, Glos.; sent by Mr. J. Archibald, Buckshaw Gardens, Holwell, Sherborne, Dorset, Mr. J. Elliott, and The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle.) F.C.C. August 17, 1978. Plant 25.4 cm (10 inches) high, 66 cm (26 inches) spread, vigorous, compact habit. Foliage 4 cm ($1\frac{9}{16}$ inches) long, 3 cm ($1\frac{3}{16}$ inches) wide, medium green. Flower stem 22.8 cm (9 inches) high; inflorescence 4.5 cm ($1\frac{1}{4}$ inches) long, 6.3 cm ($2\frac{1}{2}$ inches)

diameter, compact; flowers 1 cm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, white, lightly tinged with Red-Purple Group 59C at midrib on upper half and at tip, centre Red-Purple Group 66D. Flowering from September 1, 1978. (7, 8, 9)

AIDOOON var. AURANTIACUM. (Sent by Messrs. Blooms Nurseries Ltd., Bressingham, Diss, Norfolk, IP22 2AB.) A.M. July 6, 1978. Plant 30.5 cm (12 inches) high, 81.3 cm (2 feet 8 inches) spread, vigorous, fairly compact habit. Foliage 5.7 cm (2 inches) long, 1.9 cm ($\frac{3}{4}$ inch) wide, fairly dark glaucous green, tinged purple. Flower stem 35.5 cm (1 foot 2 inches) high; inflorescence 5.1 cm (2 inches) long, 3.9 cm ($3\frac{1}{2}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 1.2 cm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, Yellow Group 6A. Flowering from June 28, 1978. (18)

HIDAKANUM. (Sent by The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle, and Mr. R. Poland.) A.M. August 17, 1978. Plant 12.2 cm (5 inches) high, 55.9 cm (1 foot 10 inches) spread, vigorous, fairly compact spreading habit. Foliage 1.2 cm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) long, 1.2 cm ($\frac{1}{2}$ inch) wide, light dull grey-green, tinged with purple at tip. Flower stem 15.2 to 25.4 cm (6 to 10 inches) high; inflorescence 5 cm (2 inches) long, 6.3 cm ($2\frac{1}{2}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 1.4 cm ($\frac{9}{16}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, base white becoming very lightly flushed with Red-Purple Group 63C on upper half, centre Red-Purple Group 66C fading to cream at base. Flowering from September 5, 1978 (2, 3)

RUBY GLOW. (Sent by Messrs. Hillier & Sons, Winchester, Hants.; The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle, and Mr. R. Poland.) A.M. August 17, 1978. Plant 20.3 to 25.4 cm (8 to 10 inches) high, 91.5 cm (3 feet) spread, vigorous, compact, slightly spreading habit. Foliage 3.5 cm (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches) long, 2.5 cm (1 inch) wide, light dull grey-green tinged with purple at margins. Flower stem ~~25.4 cm (10 inches)~~

35.5 to 40.6 cm (14 to 16 inches) high; inflorescence 3.5 cm ($1\frac{1}{8}$ inches) long, 6.3 cm ($2\frac{1}{2}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 1 cm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, silvery white flushed with Red-Purple Group 59C on upper half, centre Red-Purple Group 66C, becoming paler towards base. Flowering from September 1, 1978. (4, 5, 6)

SPECTABILE 'BRILLIANT'. (Sent by Messrs. Blooms Nurseries Ltd.; Mr. S.M.Gault, The School House, Bentley Heath, Barnet, Herts.; Messrs. Hillier & Sons, and The Regius Keeper, Royal Botanic Garden, Inverleith Road, Edinburgh, EH3 5LR.) A.M. September 5, 1978. Plant 53 cm (1 foot $8\frac{1}{4}$ inches) high, 73 cm (2 feet $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches) spread, vigorous, compact habit. Foliage 9 cm ($3\frac{1}{2}$ inches) long, 5.2 cm ($2\frac{1}{16}$ inches) wide, fairly light dull grey-green tinged pale green at margins towards tip. Flower stem 44 cm (1 foot $5\frac{5}{16}$ inches) high; inflorescence 7.6 cm (3 inches) long, 17 cm ($6\frac{11}{16}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 1.4 cm ($\frac{9}{16}$ inch) diameter, single, freely produced, Red-Purple Group 65C very lightly flushed with Red-Purple Group 65A, centre Red-Purple Group 66D fading to white at base. Flowering from September 1, 1978. (27, 29, 30, 31, 32)

SUNSET CLOUD. (Sent by Mr. J. Archibald, and The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle.) H.C. August 17, 1978. Plant 30.5 cm (12 inches) high, 71.1 cm (2 feet 4 inches) spread, vigorous, compact habit. Foliage 4 cm ($1\frac{9}{16}$ inches) long, 2.3 cm ($\frac{7}{8}$ inch) wide, dark dull green tinged with purple. Flower stem 35.5 cm (1 foot 2 inches) high; inflorescence 5.1 cm (2 inches) long, 6.5 cm ($2\frac{9}{16}$ inches) diameter, compact; flowers .9 cm ($\frac{3}{8}$ inch) diameter, single freely produced, white very lightly tinged with Red-Purple Group 64B becoming paler towards base, centre Red-Purple Group 66C, becoming slightly paler towards base. Flowering from August 28, 1978. (13, 14)

As a foliage plant

MAXIMUM ATROPURPUREUM. (Sent by Mr. J. Archibald; Mrs. Beth Chatto, White Barn House, Elmstead Market, Colchester, Essex; Messrs.

Hillier & Sons; The National Trust, Sissinghurst Castle; Mr. R. Poland and The Regius Keeper, Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh.) L.L. July 6, 1978. Plant 50.8 cm (1 foot 8 inches) high, 61 cm (2 feet) spread, vigorous, slightly spreading habit. Foliage 10.1 cm (4 inches) long, 5.1 cm (2 inches) wide, dark dull purple with a grey bloom. Flower stem 43.2 cm (1 foot 5 inches) high; inflorescence 8 cm (3½ inches) long, 15 cm (5¾ inches) diameter, compact; flowers 0.8 cm (5/16 inch) diameter, single, freely produced, white very lightly flushed with Red-Purple Group 57C at tip, centre a light flush of Red-Purple Group 59D becoming paler at base. Flowering from August 22, 1978. (34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40)

SEDUMS, 1977

Species and cultivars suitable for the herbaceous
border, excluding alpine types

1. Sieboldii () Sissinghurst
2. Hidakanum () Sissinghurst
3. Hidakanum () Poland
4. Ruby Glow () Sissinghurst
5. Ruby Glow () Poland
6. Ruby Glow () Hillier
7. Vera Jameson (Jameson) Elliott
8. Vera Jameson () Sissinghurst
9. Vera Jameson () Archibald
10. Populifolium () Chatto
11. Heterodontum () Bloom
12. Fastigiatum () Bloom
13. Sunset Cloud () Sissinghurst - 2 mid plant hidakanum
14. Sunset Cloud () Archibald
15. Altissimum () Chatto
16. Rhodiola (syn. roseum) ('Rose Root' Sedum) () Bloom
17. Roseum () Bloom
- * 18. ^{Asiaticum} ~~Asiaticum~~ 'Aurantiacum' () Bloom ~~2-4~~
19. Crassipes ~~Asiaticum~~ asiaticum? () Bloom syn. wallichianum
20. Alboroseum foliis medio-variegatis () Venison
21. Alboroseum 'Variegatum' () Hillier
22. Telephium variegatum () Archibald
23. ? Telephium () Sissinghurst
24. Telephium () Poland
25. Telephium var. borderi () Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh

all same
? Telephium
mixed

26. Telephium ~~'Marschallii'~~ () Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh

? all same,
as 4 Wood 10
22

27. Spectabile () Hillier

28. Spectabile 'Brilliant' () Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh

29. Spectabile 'Brilliant' () Hillier

30. Spectabile 'Meteor' () Gault

31. Spectabile 'September Ruby' () Bloom

32. Spectabile 'Carmen' () Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh

same as 26
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33. Spectabile variegata () Poland

34. ? Maximum () Sissinghurst

35. Maximum () The National Trust, Hidcote

36. Maximum atropurpureum () Poland

back
not pl wrong
? Autumn
Joy (Nos
42, 43 & 44)

37. Maximum atropurpureum () Royal Botanic Garden,
Edinburgh

38. Maximum atropurpureum () Archibald

39. Maximum atropurpureum () Hillier

40. Maximum atropurpureum () Chatto

41. Maximum 'Bressingham Purple' (Bloom) Bloom

back pl.
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42. Autumn Joy () Sissinghurst

43. Autumn Joy () Poland

44. Autumn Joy () Archibald

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