

## The International Delphinium Register Supplement 2001-2002

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The following list contains the delphinium cultivar and cultivar-group names which have been registered between 1st November 2001 and 31st October 2002. Raisers and introducers of new delphiniums are urged to ensure that the names of all their plants have been registered.

Registration forms can be obtained from the International Delphinium Registrar, Royal Horticultural Society's Garden, Wisley, Woking, Surrey GU23 6QB, UK. There is no fee for basic registration, nor for the Certificate (if this is requested).

In the list below R = raiser, H = hybridiser, G = person who grew the plant to its first flowering, S = selected by, N = person naming the plant, I = introducer, REG = registrant.

Colour Codes such as '85D' or '95C' refer to the RHS Colour Chart (1966, reprinted 1986, 1995, 2001).

**'Angela Harbutt'** cv. ('Min' × un-named seedling) H (1992), G (1993), N (2000) & REG (2001): K. G. Harbutt I: Rougham Hall Nurseries. Stems medium (c.1.5m). Lvs large, light green. Spikes c.1.0m, usually tapering to apex, with 5-7 vigorous laterals. Fls fully double, 65mm wide, white ground but heavily suffused light mauve, with a very deep mauve picotee edge; eye honey brown with some white stripes. Very free flowering. (First published in an advert on the back cover of *Delphiniums 2001*, with colour photograph. Standard: colour slide provided by registrant (WSY 0030965). Etymology: named for registrant's daughter).

**'Kottaraisia Elotaivaalla'** cv. (Selection from seedlings of an open-pollinated seedling of Southern Nobleman Group, open-pollinated) H (1998), G (1999), N (2002) & REG (2002): V. Koivu I: Puutarha Metsän reunassa. Stems medium (1.8m). Spikes 0.6m, tapering to apex, with 3-5 laterals (c.40cm long). Fls semi-double, 60mm wide, a bit brighter than strong blue (104B), with shades of brilliant blue (104C) and suffusions of very light purple (76B) and light purple (77D); flower ages to light blue (101C, 106B) and very light blue (106C); eye greyish brown, with occasional blue stripes as on petals (young eye light olive grey (197A), turning to dark greyish reddish brown (200A) and to dark greyish purple (202A)); spurs 2-5mm long; pedicels 50mm long. (Perhaps the first delphinium cultivar to come from Finland. Etymology: in translation the name means "starlings on an autumn sky", an allusion to combination of flower colours.

**'Marjorie Forster'** cv. (Probably derived from 'Loch Nevis') R (2001), N (2002) & REG (2002): I. M. Forster. Stems short to medium (1.4-1.7m). Spikes 1.35m, blunt-tipped, with 4-5 vigorous laterals. Fls semi-double, 71mm wide, sky blue, with shield-shaped light violet markings on outer petals which fade to a pewter colour; eye white, with irregular sky blue markings; spurs 2.25mm long; pedicels 35mm long. Early to midseason. (Etymology: named for registrant's wife).

**'Meadowlark'** cv. (Parentage unknown) H: T. Dowdeswell, 2001 G (2002), N (2002), I (2003) & REG (2002): J. Miller. Stems short (c.1.25m). Foliage yellowish green. Spikes 50-60cm long, tapering to apex, with a few weak laterals. Fls fully double, c.58mm wide, pale butter yellow self with touches of green on the backs of the outer petals; no distinct eye (or a tiny yellow dot in nearly spent flowers); spurs 28-30mm long. Late-flowering. Tall for a yellow-flowered delphinium. (Standard: colour print provided by registrant (WSY 0035074)).

**'Shottesbrooke Lady'** cv. ('Royal Flush' × 'Summerfield Sovereign') H: S. E. Bassett, 1995 G (1997): C. R. Redman N, I & REG: C.R. Redman, 2002. Stems tall (2.6m). Lvs large, mid green. Spikes 1.14m, tapering to apex, with 6 medium laterals. Fls semi-double, 95mm wide, pale pink with a brown eye; spurs 10mm long. (Standard: colour print provided by registrant (WSY 0033407). Etymology: the registrant lives in Shottesbrooke Park, Berkshire).

**'Siskin'** cv. (Parentage unknown) H: T. Dowdeswell, 1999 G (2001), N (2001), I (2002) & REG (2002): J. Miller. Stems short (60-75cm). Foliage with a glossy, bronzy-gold cast. Spikes 30-40cm, tapering to apex, with 2-3 fairly good and 2-3 smaller laterals. Fls semi-double, 40-45mm wide, cream with a yellow cast (appearing soft buttery yellow); eye bright lemon yellow; spurs 17mm or more long; pedicels 25mm long. (First published in Paradise Gardens Rare Plant Nursery catalogue, 2002).

**'Walter Benjamin'** This name, published in the 2000-2001 Supplement, is incorrect. The correct name is 'Walton Benjamin'.

**'Zanskar'** cv. (Selection from *cashmerianum*, wild-collected in Zanskar, India) S: R. Holmberg, 1989 N (1996), I (1997) & REG (2002): J. Bengtsson. Stems 0.5m, growth compact. Fls 30-40mm wide, strong violet (86B), with a black eye. June. (Propagated by seed from isolated stock: not a clonal cultivar and showing slight variation in colour and habit. First published in Internationale Stauden Union Yearbook 2000).