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One of the hundred and one delights in Sir Peter Smithers' hillside garden of magnolias in Switzerland is M. X 'Lilleny'. The name is said to suggest those of its parents, M. X

soulangiana 'Lennei' and M. liliflora (now quinquepeta). Neither parent could be any more exhibitionistic and have a better reason for being so than this brazen, lovely offspring.