

Magnolia cultivar registrations: Supplement III, 1987-1989

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This update of registrations in the genus *Magnolia* is the third supplement to the *Checklist of the Cultivated Magnolias*, by J. M. Fogg and J. C. McDaniel published in 1975. The first supplement, for the years 1976-1983, was published in *MAGNOLIA* 20(1): 15-20 (1984), the second supplement, covering 1984-86 appeared in *MAGNOLIA* 22(2): 11-12 (1987). In the following list the female parent is listed first if the plant is a hybrid. If a description of the plant has been published prior to the publication of this list, the reference is noted at the end of the paragraph.

'Big Dude' (*sprengeri* 'Diva' x 'Wada's Picture'). Bears a striking resemblance to *M. sargentiana* var. *robusta*, with an upright but spreading habit of growth; flowers very large, up to 35 cm in diameter; 9-12 tepals, nodding, fragrant, rose pink outside, white within. P. Savage, Jr., 2150 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills, MI.

'Blackwell' (*grandiflora*). Listed in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988 as 'H. D. Blackwell' and described as having glossy, undulating leaves. Louisiana Nursery, Opelousas, LA.

'Blanchard' (*grandiflora*). A selection with a compact pyramidal habit of growth; its broadly elliptic leaves are dark, glossy green with an intense copper-colored indumentum. Flower size and shape typical of the species. Introduced by Robbins

Nursery, Willard, NC. Listed as 'D. D. Blanchard' in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 2; 1988.

'Bracken's Brown Beauty' (*grandiflora*). A patented selection (#5520) discovered in a nursery row in Easley, SC by Ray Bracken in 1968. Dense pyramidal habit and prolific flower production; flowers about half the typical *grandiflora* size; leaves dark green with undulating margins and a rusty-brown indumentum (*MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 2; 1988).

'Claudia Wannamaker' (*grandiflora*). A selection with a broad, pyramidal habit and a long flowering season (May to September); produces small flowers, 8-10 cm in diameter, and small, heavily indumented (brown) leaves 10-18 cm long by 5-8 cm wide. Selected and introduced by J. Brailsford, Shady Grove Nursery, Orangeburg, SC (*MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 6; 1988).

'Dottie Grosse' (x *soulangiana*). A selection with a low, dense growth habit, wider than tall; lower branches prostrate on the ground; foliage is one-half to two-thirds typical size; flowers typical. R. Dilworth, 1200 Election Rd., Oxford, PA 19363.

'Fairhope' (*grandiflora*). Listed as a selection with blunt-tipped leaves in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Magnolia Nursery, Chunchula, AL.

'Genesis' (*sieboldii*). Tetraploid form of the species with pure white,

typically sized flowers and red stamens twice the normal size; seeds also twice normal size. Described, but not named in *MAGNOLIA* 20(2): 8; 1985. A. E. Kehr, 240 Tranquillity Place; Hendersonville, NC 28739.

'Mainstreet' (*grandiflora*). A fastigiate selection, listed but not described in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Cedar Lane Farm, Madison, GA.

'Margaret Davis' (*grandiflora*). A selection with 20-28 cm diameter flowers, listed in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Shady Grove Nursery, Orangeburg, SC.

'Marillyn' (*liliiflora* 'Nigra' x *kobus*). A triploid plant (chromosome number $3x = 57$) with dark red-purple flowers that closely resemble those of *liliiflora* 'Nigra'; blooms from the beginning to the end of May in Ossining, NY; hardy to USDA zone 5. Distributed to a limited extent as B.B.G. #149. Hybridized by Evamaria Sperber in 1957 and introduced by the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 1000 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11225-9978.

'Monland' (*grandiflora*). Plant patent pending (#06/770,860). A selection with a broad oval form, producing abundant flowers over a very long season; individual flowers 25-30 cm in diameter, with 12 tepals; leaves are narrow with long petioles, glossy green above, moderate indumentum below. Possibly a hybrid with *M. virginiana*. Discovered by R. Eiland of Millbrook, Alabama in 1969; registered by Monrovia Nursery Co., P.O. Box Q, Azusa, CA 91702 (*MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 7-8; 1988).

'Overton' (*grandiflora*). Listed but not described in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Robbins Nursery, Willard, NC.

'Smitty' (*grandiflora*). Listed as a

selection with 20-28 cm diameter flowers in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Shady Grove Nursery, Orangeburg, SC.

'Spring Hill' (*grandiflora*). Listed but not described in *MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 4; 1988. Magnolia Nursery, Chunchula, AL.

'Symmes Select' (*grandiflora*). A compact selection characterized by dark green leaves with slightly undulating margins and heavy brown indumentum; flowers typical (*MAGNOLIA* 23(2): 3; 1988).

'Tulsa' (*grandiflora*). One of about fifteen seedlings raised from a batch of seeds collected at the Tulsa Rose Garden in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1974. This selection is the most vigorous and the hardiest of the lot, having been cultivated out of doors in Winchester, Massachusetts for ten years showing only minor winter injury during that time. First flowers were produced in 1988, 15-20 cm diameter. L. C. Case, 14 Lockeland Rd., Winchester, MA 01890.

'White Rose' (x *loebneri*). Raised from open pollinated seed of *M. 'Ballerina'* obtained from the Magnolia Society Seed Counter in 1976. Produces white flowers with an average of 22 tepals, 4 cm long by 2 cm wide; first bloomed in 1985. Tepals remain firm, flaring upward and outward, never becoming flat or droopy. W. J. Seidl, 732 S. 19th St., Manitowoc, WI 54220.

Anyone wishing to register a new *Magnolia* cultivar should write for forms to: Peter Del Tredici, Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. There is no charge for this service. The registration forms should be accompanied by photographs and/or herbarium specimens, and flower color should be described using the numbering system of the Royal Horticultural Society Color Charts. ■