

Take a Walk on The *Wild* Side

A Tour of the Latest Spider, Unusual Form, and Sculpted Daylilies

There are six daylily forms recognized by the American Daylily Society:

-Single

-Double

-Polymerous

-Spider

-Unusual Form

-Sculpted.

Today we will look at the last three of these.

What is a spider?

A flower whose petal length is four times the petal's width or more - a ratio of 4.0:1 or greater.

How is a spider measured?

First, measure the longest petal at its widest point.

If this petal was 2.5cm wide, it would need to be at least 4x that in length or 10cm.



Then, measure from the v where the petals separate on the underside of the bloom, gently unfolding to the tip of the petal.



To determine the ratio, divide the length by the width.

10cm divided by 2.5cm = 4cm or 4.0:1

If the length were 13.3cm and the width 2.7cm the ratio would be 4.93:1

If only they would all cooperate like this!!



Daylily

'Dip in the Heart of Texas' (Marlatt-J., 2024)

scape height • 36 in, (91 cm)

bloom size • 8 in, (20 cm)

bloom season • Midseason-Late

form • Spider 4.00:1

ploidy • Diploid

foliage type • Dormant

fragrance • Fragrant

bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 20

branches • 4

seedling # • 19-312



Daylily

'Reguilete' (Jaimes, 2024)

- scape height • 31 in, (78 cm)
- bloom size • 8.5 in, (21 cm)
- bloom season • Early

- form • Spider 4.00:1

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 16
- branches • 4

- seedling # • VN2412

Color: Bright red with large yellow throat and light yellow green heart.

Parentage: (Wild Wookie × sdlg)



Daylily

'Tarantula Curls' (Herrington-H., 2023)

scape height	•	24 in, (60 cm)
bloom size	•	6 in, (15 cm)
bloom season	•	Midseason, Rebloom
form	•	Spider 4.56:1
ploidy	•	Diploid
foliage type	•	Dormant
bloom habit	•	Diurnal
bud count	•	18
branches	•	3
seedling #	•	1-WDP

Color: Lavender with purple chevron eye and large green throat with recessed lavender midribs.

Parentage: (sdlg × sdlg)



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Daylily

'Percival' (Williams-S., 2023)

- scape height • 26 in, (66 cm)
- bloom size • 3.75 in, (9 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason

- form • Spider 5.56:1

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 15
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 10-1170 C

Color: Rust red with slightly darker band and gold throat.

Parentage: (sdlg × sdlg)



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Daylily

'Green It Up' (Lopp-T., 2024)

- scape height • 36 in, (91 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason, Rebloom

- form • Spider 6.00:1

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 30
- branches • 5

- seedling # • 17-018D

Color: Yellow green with extended green throat.

Parentage: (Grace's Legacy × Green Inferno)



Daylily

'Skyrockets in Flight' (Kennedy-J., 2023)

- scape height • 23 in, (58 cm)
- bloom size • 5 in, (12 cm)
- bloom season • Early-Midseason

- form • Spider 8.00:1

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 14
- branches • 3

- seedling # • K-141-18

Color: Mahogany red with green to yellow throat extending into thin midribs.

Parentage: (Pat's Legacy × Pat's Promise)



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Daylily

'Balderdash' (Murphy-J.P., 2024)

- scape height • 31 in, (78 cm)
- bloom size • 7.5 in, (19 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason

- form • Spider 4.50:1
Unusual Form
Crispate-Cascade

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Extended

- bud count • 20
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 6421FrogFairy

Color: Light pink, ruffled edge, green throat, twists, curls, pinches.

Parentage: (Frog's Hair × Garden Fairy)



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Daylily

'Spider Dance' (Gossard, 2024)

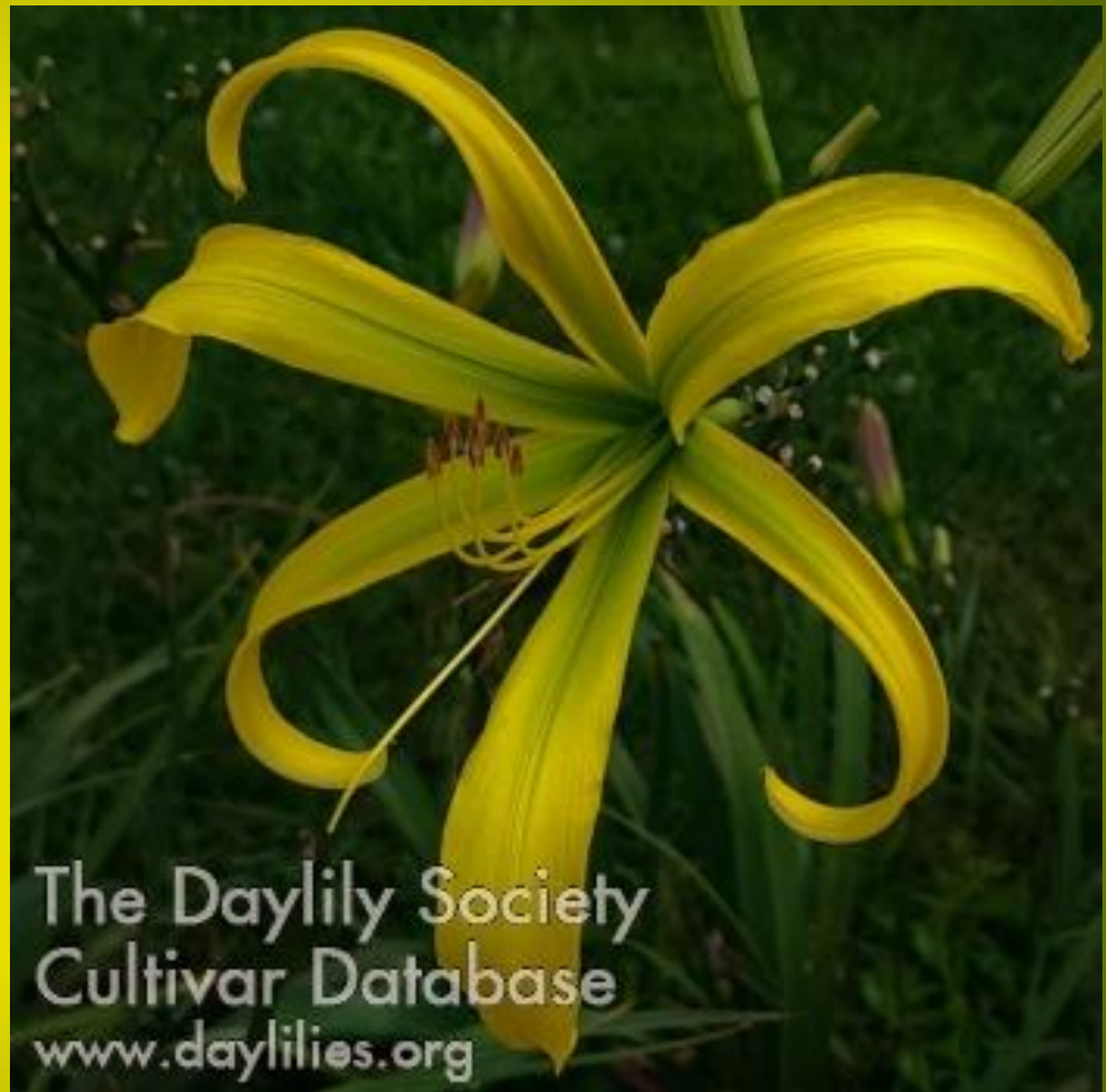
- scape height • 34 in, (86 cm)
- bloom size • 12 in, (30 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason, Rebloom

- form • Spider 8.00:1
Unusual Form
Cascade

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 22
- branches • 4

- seedling # • 554-19



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Daylily

'Widow Maker' (Gossard, 2023)

- **scape height** • 36 in, (91 cm)
- **bloom size** • 7 in, (17 cm)
- **bloom season** • Midseason-Late

- **form** • Spider 5.50:1
Unusual Form
Crispate-Cascade
Double 99%

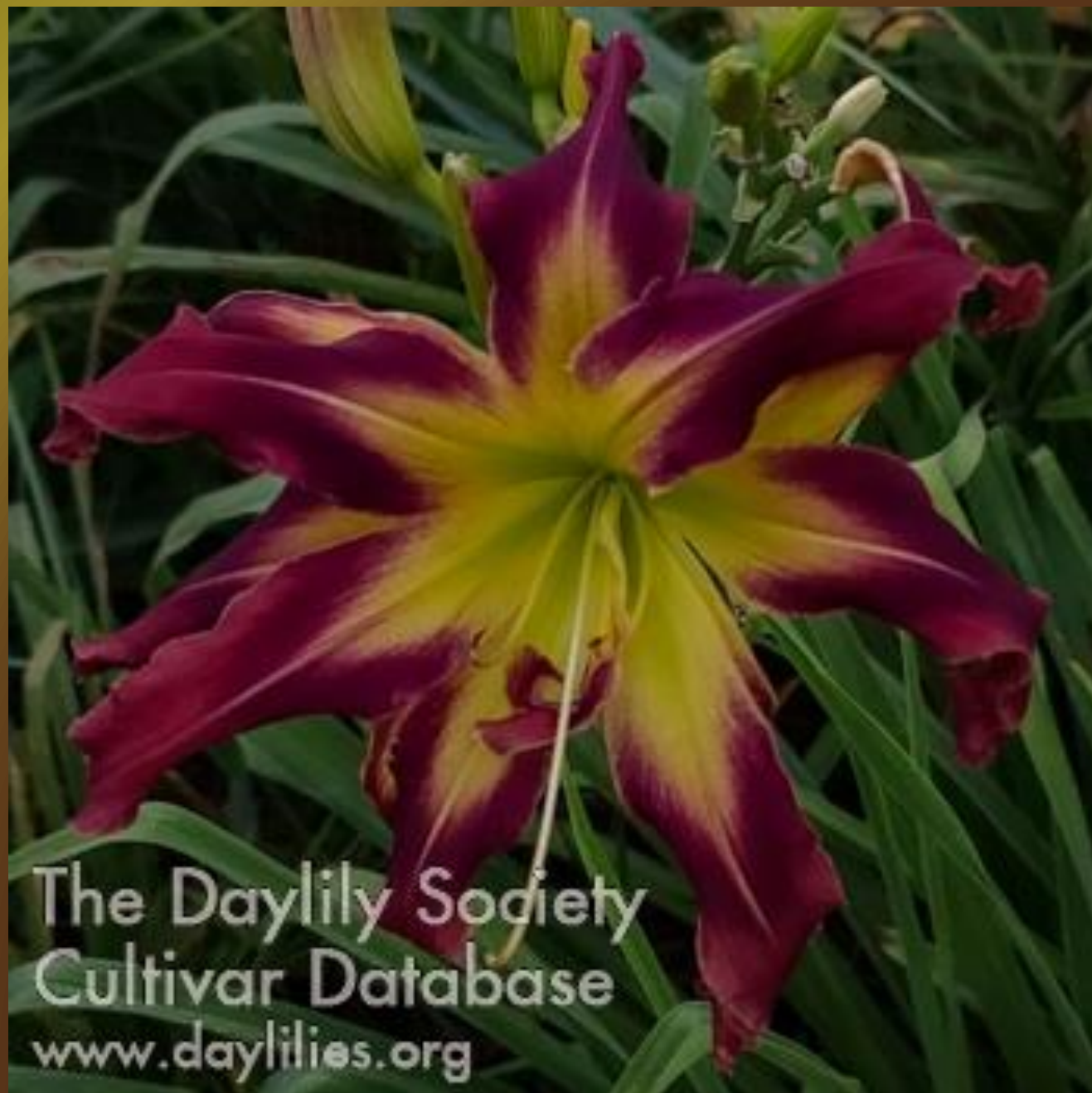
- **ploidy** • Diploid
- **foliage type** • Dormant
- **fragrance** • Fragrant
- **bloom habit** • Diurnal

- **bud count** • 26
- **branches** • 4

- **seedling #** • RWCoct

Color: Dark red hose in hose form, darker red eyezone, and a very green throat.

Parentage: (Red Widow × Cranberry Octopus)



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What is an Unusual Form?

According to the ADS Judging Daylilies in the Garden publication:

“Unusual Form. A more recent registration class based on form, its definition states: the Unusual Form class is based *exclusively on form*, not on color or color patterns. The flower must have distinctive petal or sepal shapes, on all three petals or all three sepals. Ideally, there should be a v-shaped space between three or more floral segments. It includes three basic forms: **crispate, cascade and spatulate.**”

Unusual Form CRISPATE

Having pinched, twisted, or quilled floral segments

Crispate - Pinched

Daylily

'Alban Eiler' (Turk-Harmon, 2023)

- scape height • 23 in, (58 cm)
- bloom size • 5.5 in, (13 cm)
- bloom season • Early-Midseason, Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 9
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 19-C5--i

Color: Pink peach buff with extended yellow throat.

Parentage: (Geechee Belle × Get Jiggy)



Crispate - Twisted

Daylily

'Ailurophobic Nightmare' (Clement, 2023)

- scape height • 28 in, (71 cm)
- bloom size • 5 in, (12 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 12
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 1

Color: Lavender pink, white midribs, yellow green throat.

Parentage: (Purple Corn Dancer × Oprah's Chicken Dance)



Daylily

'Alligator Alley' (Gossard, 2024)

- scape height • 30 in, (76 cm)
- bloom size • 9 in, (22 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late, Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 22
- branches • 4

- seedling # • 682-19

Color: Purple and lighter rose purple eye and green throat, white teeth, hooks, tentacles and fangs on petals and sepals.

Parentage: (Cynder the Dragon × Alpha Shark)



Crispate - Pinched

Daylily

'Bo's Love Remains' (Hansen-D., 2025)

- scape height • 26 in, (66 cm)
- bloom size • 7 in, (17 cm)
- bloom season • Early,
Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 15
- branches • 3

- seedling # • #10

Color: Narrow orange, ruffled thin edge and large triangular throat.

Parentage: (unknown × CJ)



Crispate - Quilled

Daylily

'Quill Me In' (Hatfield-K., 2025)

scape height • 33 in, (83 cm)

bloom size • 7 in, (17 cm)

bloom season • Midseason

form • Unusual Form
Crispate

ploidy • Diploid

foliage type • Semi-Evergreen

bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 20

branches • 3

seedling # • 18-44d-1

Color: Mauve with lilac watermark, veining, chartreuse throat, quilled sepals.

Parentage: (sdlg × Chaotic Design)



Crispate - Pinched

Daylily

'Leslie Lycurgus' (Starbuck, 2024)

- scape height • 36 in, (91 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 15
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 1429-3

Color: Dark rose pink with large watermark, thin ruffled golden edge on petals and white edge on sepals, often pinched petals and quilled sepals.

Parentage: (Blood, Sweat and Tears × Red Friday)



Daylily

'Leaping Screaming' (Reeder, 2025)

- scape height • 27 in, (68 cm)
- bloom size • 5 in, (12 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late, Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 14
- branches • 3

- seedling # • JOLF14

Color: Purple with lavender watermark above green to chartreuse throat, with quilled sepals.

Parentage: (Jocelyn's Oddity × Lavender Feathers)



Unusual Form CASCADE

Having narrow, curling or cascading floral segments resembling wood shavings.

Daylily

'Woodhenge Seductress' (Murphy-J.P., 2024)

- scape height • 40 in, (101 cm)
- bloom size • 7.5 in, (19 cm)
- bloom season • Early

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate-Cascade

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Extended

- bud count • 25
- branches • 5

- seedling # • 8621DevilsEgo

Color: Red, large green throat, can pinch and twist.

Parentage: (Devil's Marbleyard × Ego)



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Daylily

'Pink Panda' (Sweeney, 2024)

- scape height • 24 in, (60 cm)
- bloom size • 7.5 in, (19 cm)
- bloom season • Early-Midseason, Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate-Cascade

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- seedling # • 4388

Color: Pink with black purple eyezone, some veining, bright green throat, narrow foliage, fertile.

Parentage: (unknown × unknown)



Daylily

'Mystic Music' (Salter-E.H., 2024)

- scape height • 26 in, (66 cm)
- bloom size • 4 in, (10 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason,
Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Crispate-Cascade

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- seedling # • ES19

Color: Light lavender with a darker chevron patterned eye, petals curl and pinch.

Parentage: (sdlg × sdlg)



Unusual Form SPATULATE

Having floral segments markedly wider at the end.

Daylily

'Astro Boy' (Gossard, 2024)

- scape height • 34 in, (86 cm)
- bloom size • 4.5 in, (11 cm)
- bloom season • Early-Midseason, Rebloom

- form • Unusual Form
Spatulate

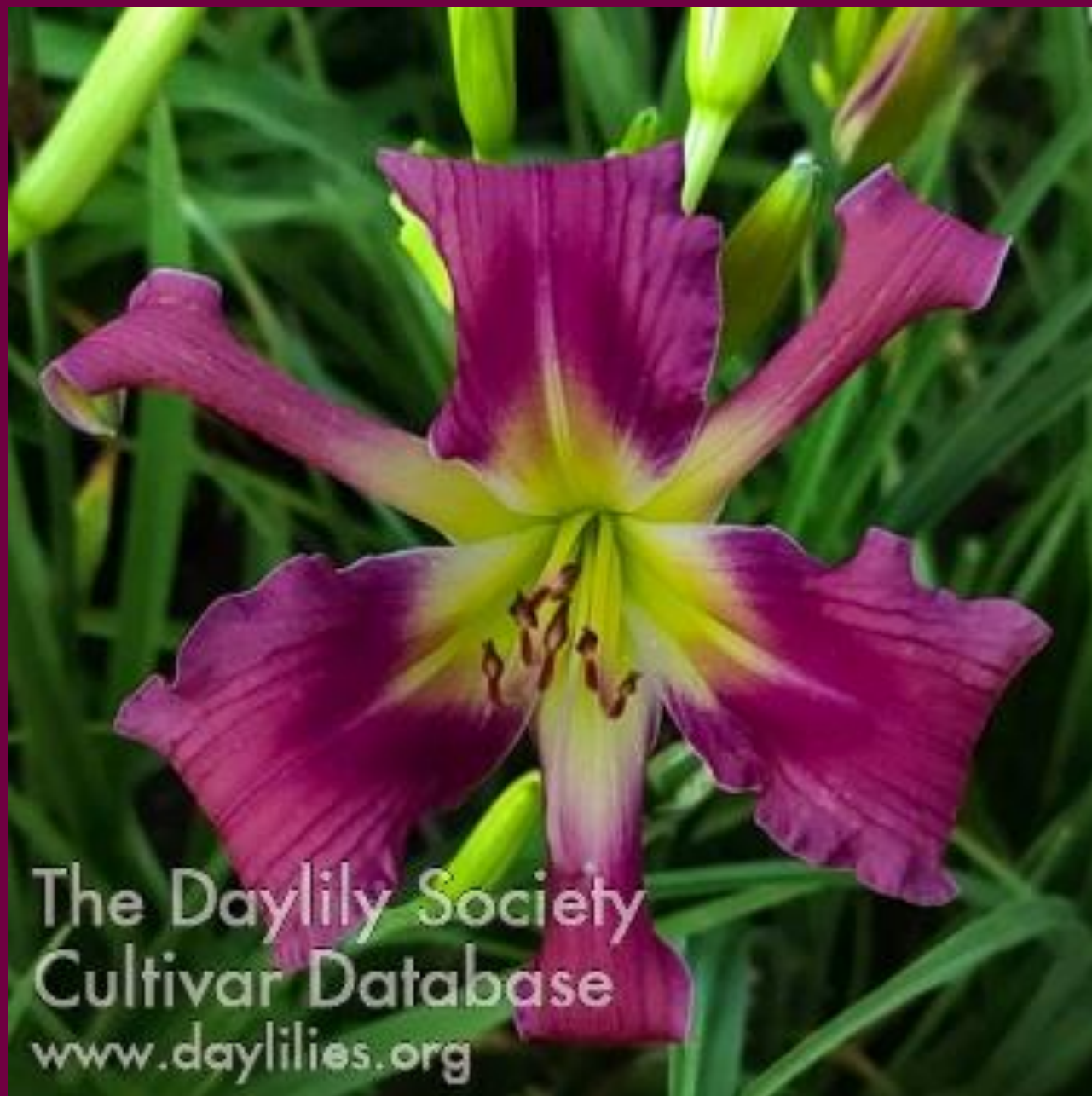
- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 22
- branches • 4

- seedling # • J-78

Color: Cranberry with deeper wine eye and green throat.

Parentage: (Squirrelly × Blue Throated Hummingbird)



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Daylily

'Baltimore Girls' (Davisson-J., 2025)

- scape height • 41 in, (104 cm)
- bloom size • 9 in, (22 cm)
- bloom season • Early

- form • Unusual Form
Cascade-Spatulate

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 29
- branches • 5

- seedling # • 21-1

Color: Raspberry purple with a raspberry pink watermark and a diamond dusted, chartreuse throat.

Parentage: (Drew Hoo × Jelly Belly)



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Daylily

'Our Talking Ghost' (Holmes-S., 2024)

scape height • 36 in, (91 cm)
bloom size • 9 in, (22 cm)
bloom season • Midseason

form • Unusual Form
Spatulate

ploidy • Tetraploid
foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 15
branches • 3

seedling # • P337

Color: Peachy pink with a pale yellow green throat.

Parentage: (sdlg × Hope Hunt)



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What is a SCULPTED daylily?

Sculpted Form. A term used to describe three-dimensional structural features involving or emanating from the throat, midrib or elsewhere on the surface of the petals. Sculpted daylilies belong to one of three different groups.

Pleated: Petals that have a deep longitudinal crease on each side of the midrib. These creases cause folding of the petal upon itself creating a raised platform, extending from the top of the perianth tube and ending between the throat and the petal tip.

Cristate: Appendages of extra petal tissue growing from the midrib (midrib cristate) or elsewhere on the surface of the petal. The cristate form can occur on single and double daylilies, but by itself, does not make a daylily double.

Relief: Vertically raised ridges which extend from the throat and project from the petal surface. Ridges may grow parallel to the veins or may radiate outward from each side of the midrib. Relief forms have been referred to as repousse, carved and embossed.

Daylily

'Bed, Bath and Beyond' (Hanson-C., 2024)

- scape height • 33 in, (83 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late

- sculpting • Pleated

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- seedling # • Fuk

Color: Flaring, rich apricot.

Parentage: (Fukushima Sashimi × sdlg)



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Daylily

'The Motion of Love' (Hanson-C., 2024)

scape height • 39 in, (99 cm)
bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
bloom season • Midseason-Late

sculpting • Pleated

ploidy • Tetraploid
foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
bloom habit • Diurnal

seedling # • Mut/ 1

Color: Bright carmine red, variable form.

Parentage: (sdlg × (Cozy Fanny x Pussy Galore))



Daylily

'Indian Love Song' (Hanson-C., 2023)

- scape height • 43 in, (109 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late

- sculpting • Pleated

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- branches • 4

- seedling # • wfrb reflex

Color: Soft rose.

Parentage: (Lipstick Jungle × Patagonian Sunset)



Daylily

'Professor Knowsalittle' (Davisson-J., 2023)

scape height	•	30 in, (76 cm)
bloom size	•	7 in, (17 cm)
bloom season	•	Early, Rebloom
sculpting	•	Pleated
ploidy	•	Tetraploid
foliage type	•	Semi-Evergreen
fragrance	•	Fragrant
bloom habit	•	Diurnal
bud count	•	16
branches	•	4
seedling #	•	16-2

Color: Lavender with an orchid, diamond dusted watermark and green throat.

Parentage: (High Water Mark × Davi's Gift)



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Daylily

'Barbe d'Antonio' (Morin, 2023)

scape height • 30 in, (76 cm)
bloom size • 5 in, (12 cm)
bloom season • Midseason

form • Unusual Form
Crispate

sculpting • Cristated

ploidy • Diploid
foliage type • Dormant
bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 18
branches • 4

seedling # • 23-112

Color: Purple lilac, yellow eye, green heart.

Parentage: (Michael's Sword × Greetings Earthling)



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Daylily

'Flamin' Groovies' (Hanson-C., 2023)

- scape height • 39 in, (99 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late

- sculpting • Cristated

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- branches • 3

- seedling # • lip pre

Color: Fire engine red, fluted.

Parentage: (Crintonic Lip Gloss × Precambrian Explosion)



Daylily

'Kotyleva' (Lukava, 2023)

scape height	•	26 in, (66 cm)
bloom size	•	5.5 in, (13 cm)
bloom season	•	Midseason, Rebloom
sculpting	•	Cristated
ploidy	•	Diploid
foliage type	•	Semi-Evergreen
fragrance	•	Fragrant
bloom habit	•	Diurnal
bud count	•	24
branches	•	3
seedling #	•	19#319w

Color: Light yellow with plum purple patterned eye above yellow green throat, with barbed appendages on petals, fertile both ways.

Parentage: ((Michael's Sword x Emperor's Crocodile) x (Michael's Sword x Emperor's Crocodile))



Daylily

'Sculpted Fancy Feathers' (Rich, 2023)

- scape height • 28 in, (71 cm)
- bloom size • 5 in, (12 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late

- sculpting • Cristated

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- fragrance • Fragrant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 14
- branches • 3

- seedling # • CRsrcsivD

Color: Light yellow cream with lavender eye, multiple layers of cream lavender, feathered creusting on petal surface, above a grass green throat.

Parentage: (Sculpted Ribbon Candy × Sculpted in Vermont)



Daylily

'Star Studded' (Seifert, 2024)

- scape height • 29 in, (73 cm)
- bloom size • 5.75 in, (14 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason, Rebloom

- sculpting • Cristated

- ploidy • Diploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 17
- branches • 3

- seedling # • Sei2301

Color: Violet with raised barbed appendages tipped in white, periwinkle halo, small vivid chartreuse throat and white extending on sepals.

Parentage: (Michael's Sword × Northwood Bearded Wonder)



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Daylily

'Werewolf of Wallingford' (Howard-R., 2023)

- scape height • 33 in, (83 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason-Late, Rebloom

- sculpting • Cristated

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 12
- branches • 2

- seedling # • 23-15D-22

Color: Light peach with teeth on all segments.

Parentage: (Bonibrae Sharky × Heavenly New Frontiers)



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Daylily

'Ant Tunnels' (Murphy-J.P., 2024)

- scape height • 20 in, (50 cm)
- bloom size • 7 in, (17 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason,
Rebloom

- sculpting • Relief

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Dormant
- bloom habit • Extended

- bud count • 18
- branches • 2

- seedling # • T519

Color: Cream, yellow, gold and pink polychrome with ruffled gold edge on petals.

Parentage: (Lemon Fringed Lemons × Nadine's Dream)



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Daylily

'Jaimi Jackson' (Hansen-D., 2024)

scape height • 28 in, (71 cm)

bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)

bloom season • Midseason,
Rebloom

sculpting • Relief

ploidy • Diploid

foliage type • Evergreen

bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 20

branches • 4

seedling # • 8WSK

Color: Peachy cream, green center.

Parentage: (Pleated Perfection × (unknown × Angelic Grace))



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Daylily

'Lemon Linebacker' (Doersch, 2024)

scape height • 34 in, (86 cm)
bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
bloom season • Midseason

sculpting • Relief

ploidy • Tetraploid
foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 20
branches • 5

seedling # • A-126

Color: Creamy yellow with brilliant greenish yellow and very ruffled, deep yellow edge.

Parentage: (Mike Longo × The Incredible Earl Watts)



Daylily

'Pink Tennis Skirt' (Hansen-D., 2024)

- scape height • 36 in, (91 cm)
- bloom size • 6 in, (15 cm)
- bloom season • Midseason, Rebloom

- sculpting • Relief

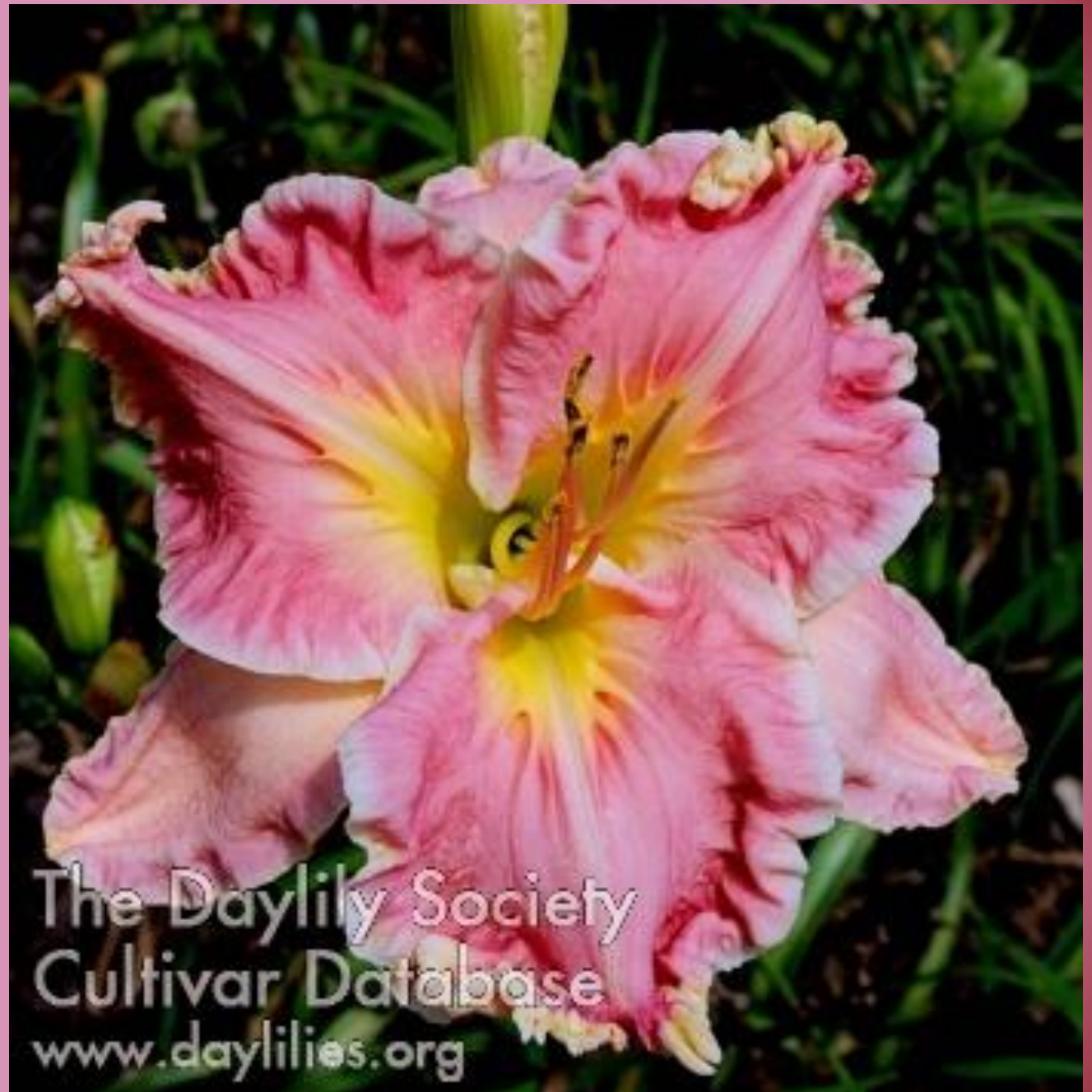
- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 15
- branches • 3

- seedling # • 1PISK

Color: Pink with cream border, yellow throat.

Parentage: (Amethyst Cream × Pleated Perfection)



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Daylily

'Spacecoast Groovy Ruby' (Kinnebrew-Gossard, 2024)

scape height • 40 in, (101 cm)
bloom size • 6.5 in, (16 cm)
bloom season • Early,
Rebloom

sculpting • Relief

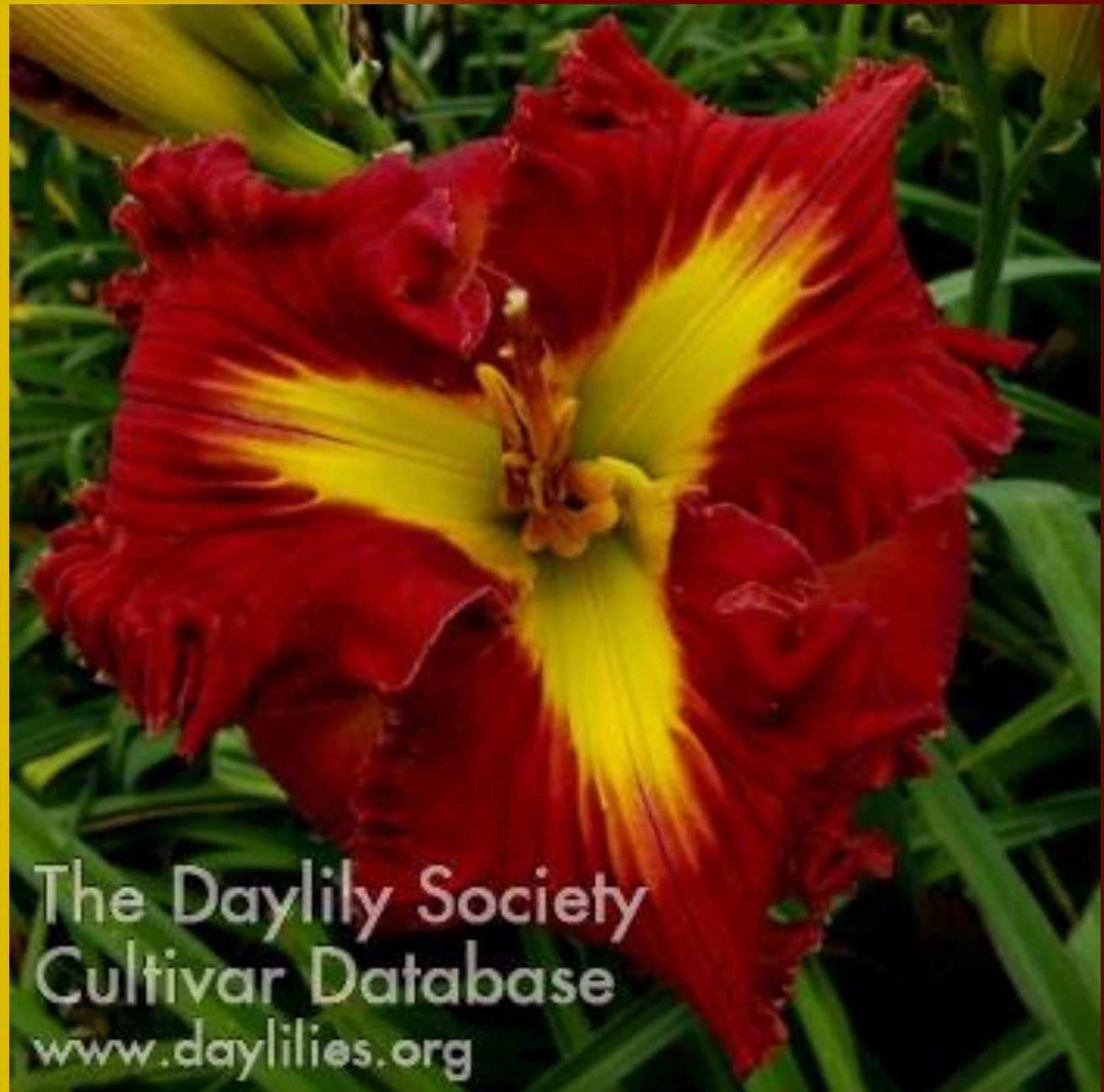
ploidy • Tetraploid
foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
fragrance • Fragrant
bloom habit • Diurnal

bud count • 36
branches • 7

seedling # • 44-20

Color: Ruffled, fiery ruby red with an intense triangular green throat, variable lighter watermark on applied throat, can be pleated.

Parentage: (Spacecoast Persimmon Wine × Spacecoast Grand Master)



Daylily

'Valentina's Legacy' (Mussar, 2024)

- scape height • 30 in, (76 cm)
- bloom size • 5.5 in, (13 cm)
- bloom season • Early-Midseason

- sculpting • Relief

- ploidy • Tetraploid
- foliage type • Semi-Evergreen
- bloom habit • Diurnal

- bud count • 15
- branches • 3

- seedling # • N 203

Color: Pale yellow, heavily marked with variable burgundy speckles, streaks and blotches, some carved relief ridges above a small green throat.

Parentage: (sdlg × sdlg)



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Daylily

'Little Big Ears' (Davisson-J., 2007)

scape height	•	18 in, (46 cm)
bloom size	•	4 in, (10 cm)
bloom season	•	Midseason, Rebloom
sculpting	•	Cristate-Pleated
ploidy	•	Tetraploid
foliage type	•	Evergreen
bloom habit	•	Extended
bud count	•	24
branches	•	4
seedling #	•	2311

Color: diamond dusted cream yellow pink blend with fine toothy edge and raised midribs

Parentage: (sdlg × sdlg)



