

RHS Trial of Perennial blue poppies for the Award of Garden Merit, 2010-2013

Report of Trial bed at Harlow Carr, 13 June 2012 (data assembled by Ian Christie)

Trial No.	Name Sender	Comments Plants flowering	Number of flower spikes	Number of side shoots	Merit Points	Plants dead
	INFERTILE BLUE GROUP					
1	M. 'Slieve Donard' Christie's Nursery AGM 1993	3	12 plants one 7 one 3 One 2	1 exc, 1 fair, 1 poor		none
2	M. 'Bobby Masterton' Macplants Nursery	3	16 plants one 8 one, 5 one 3	1 exc, 1 fair, 1 poor		none
3	M. 'Bryan Conway' Dr. E. Stevens	2	8 one 4 one 4	2 fair		one
4	M. 'P.C. Abildgaard' Macplants Nursery	3	12 one 1 one 6 one 5	2 exc 1 good		none
5	M. 'Stewart Annand' Macplants Nursery	2	8 one 5 one 3	2 good 1 almost dead		One almost
6	M. 'Mrs Jebb' Dr. E. Stevens	3	11 one 1 one, 4 one 6	2 exc 1 fair		none
7	M. 'Crewdson Hybrid' Dr. E. Stevens	3	14 one 1 one 9, one 3	2 exc 1 fair.		none
8	M. 'Crarae' Dr. E. Stevens	3	12 one 2 one 3 one 7	1 exc, 2 poor.		none
	"Stand-alone"	<i>(so distinctive</i>	<i>that they have not been</i>	<i>attributed to a Group)</i>		
9	M. 'Willie Duncan' Christie's Nursery	1	2 spikes	1 fair.		two
10	M. 'Keillour' Macplants Nursery	3	12 one 4 one 3 one 5	3 exc.		None.

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11	M. 'Inverewe' Dr. E. Stevens	2	14 one 5 one 9	2 exc		one
12	M. 'Marit' (a white cultivar) Christie's Nursery	2	7 one 5 one 2	2 good.		one
	<i>George Sherriff Group</i>					
13	M. 'Huntfield' Dr. E. Stevens	3	15 one 3 one 7 one 5	3 good		none
14	M. 'Jimmy Bayne' Macplants Nursery	1 flowering 1 none	3	One 3 one none		One.
15	M. 'Dalemain' Macplants Nursery	3	8 one 1 One 2 one 5	2 exc 1 fair		none
16	M. 'Susan's Reward' Macplants Nursery	3	17 one 3 one 7 one 7	3 exc		none
17	M. 'Barney's Blue' Christie's Nursery	1	4 flow.	1 good		two
18	M. 'Ascreavie' Christie's Nursery	2 1 none	6 one 4 one 2	2 good 1 fair		none
	<i>Fertile Blue Group</i>					
19	M. 'Lingholm' Rumbling Bridge Nursery	2 1 none	6 one 3 one 3 one nil	3 good		none
20	M. 'Mophead' Dr. E. Stevens	2	16 one 6 one 10	2 exc,		one
21	M. 'Louise' Dr. E. Stevens	2 1 non	5 one 3 one 2 one nil	1 good 1 fair one poor		none
	<i>True Grandis forms</i>					
22	M. grandis (ES104) Dr. E. Stevens	2	18 one 5 one 13	2 exc		One.
23	M. grandis (? Ex PSW) Christie's Nursery	2	1 one one nil	2 good		One.

Notes: Number 1 already has an AGM, Numbers 1-3 are very old clones, clearly closely related, Number 4 is of known, fairly recent origin in Denmark, Number 5 probably arose at Branklyn Garden, Number 6 and 7 are closely related, Number 8 is another old cultivar and clearly quite distinct from any others.