

Publication of New CP Cultivars

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Please send the following information when submitting CP cultivars for publication:

1. Cultivar name — include the genus and species from which you selected the cultivar. The cultivar name must be in accordance with the Cultivated Plant Code*:

a. The cultivar name should be markedly different from the Latin botanical name. English words are usually used.

Each word of the name should begin with a capital letter.

c. The name should be enclosed within single quotation marks.

d. The name should consist of one or two words, but not more than three words.

e. Avoid using the same cultivar name for selections from different species of CP.

f. An example: *Fraxinus americana* 'Autumn Purple', an ash cultivar with outstanding fall color.

2. Description — describe what character or characteristics distinguish this individual from typical individuals of the same species. I urge you to propagate

your new cultivar asexually to preserve its unique genetic composition. If possible, distribute plant material to botanical gardens or file a voucher specimen at a major herbarium.

3. Color photograph — optional, but helpful.

4. Your name and address — if someone else discovered the plant, include his name and address.

5. Miscellaneous information — anything else about the cultivar such as origin or location; i.e., found in wild, found in cultivation; year of discovery, location of an herbarium specimen, or botanical garden where cultivar can be seen.

6. Send the above information to me at the address given. I will maintain a file of all material and periodically publish a list of new cultivars in CPN. Publication will include a summary description of each and the name of its author. Upon publication your cultivar will be legitimate.

* *International Code of Nomenclature of Cultivated Plants — 1969* (available from The American Horticultural Society, 701 N. Saint Asaph St., Alexandria, Virginia 22314; price about \$3.00).

D. capensis

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D. spathulata

Artificial
hybrid

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