

## NEW CULTIVARS

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Abstract: Two new carnivorous plant cultivars are named and described: *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* ‘Cilum’, *Sarracenia* ‘Brooks Garcia’.

*Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* ‘Cilum’

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In the winter of 2020, through exchanges with other carnivorous plant grower friends, I came into possession of some seedlings of *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* × self from a sowing in winter 2019. Some of these seedlings were in turn exchanged, and I kept for myself two of those that had characteristics that struck me the most. By necessity, I gave one of these two plants to a friend of mine, who at the end of 2022 called to tell me to come and get it because the pigeons had destroyed it. I planted it in a new pot and in spring 2023, it started to produce huge, low and squat traps like many of the clones of *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* presently in circulation, but with an exaggerated size, almost the size of a fist. *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* ‘Cilum’ (Fig. 1) is a very vigorous and fast-growing clone, in the spring period it has a lighter color of the leaves, which at the end of summer vary from dark red to purple. The color of the flower is red.

To keep the cultivar’s characteristics, *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* ‘Cilum’ must be propagated by vegetative means only

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Figure 1: *Sarracenia purpurea* subsp. *venosa* ‘Cilum’

*Sarracenia* ‘Brooks Garcia’

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Formerly known as “It’s Complicated,” *Sarracenia* ‘Brooks Garcia’ is a very complex hybrid of (*Sarracenia* ‘Leah Wilkerson’ × *S. alata*) × (*S. psittacina* × (*S. purpurea* × *S. minor*)) created by Brooks himself some years ago. He had several siblings from this cross and gifted one to me in March of 2020. To be honest, I didn’t think much of it that first season as it was small and only put up one pitcher in the fall. As the next two seasons progressed, I started noticing this plant more and more in my collection and soon realized it was turning into something special.

*Sarracenia* ‘Brooks Garcia’ is a stunning and prolific pitcher plant forming tight clumps in cultivation. It produces beautiful dark purple, chunky pitchers averaging 65 cm or more on older/mature plants. Pitchers start out light red (Fig. 2A) but quickly darken to a deep, deep purple (Fig. 2B) as they age in the sun. They also have a downward angular nectar roll giving the peristome an “open mouth” appearance. It produces a spring and fall flush of sturdy upright pitchers with the fall flush being the most prominent. The flowers are also unique as they are completely red with a single creamy, white vertical stripe extending the majority of the length of all five petals (Fig. 2C).

I coined the name ‘Brooks Garcia’ in honor of the man who created this beauty but also who made it possible for so many growers to enjoy so many wonderful *Sarracenia* discovered and created by the man himself over the past several decades.

This plant should be reproduced only by divisions/cuttings to ensure its unique characteristics are maintained.

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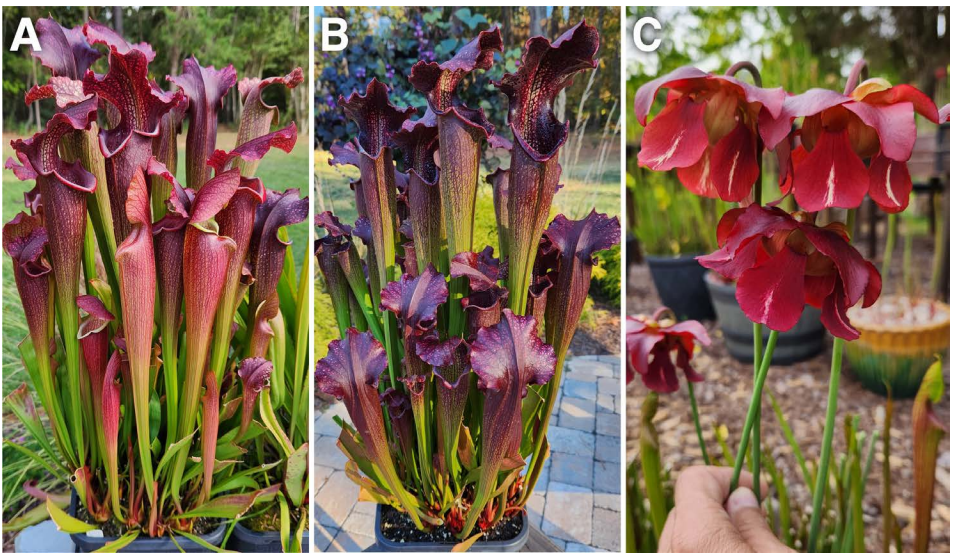


Figure 2: *Sarracenia* ‘Brooks Garcia’ pitchers in (A) spring, (B) summer, and (C) flowers.