

University of Tennessee Gardens Jackson 2025 Annual Trials

Botanical name	Cultivar	Company	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Avg.	Comments
Agastache	Maestro™ Coral	Proven Winners	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	Flowered all summer begin to look tired in September.
Agastache	Maestro™ Gold	Proven Winners	5	5	5	4	4.75	Flowered all summer begin to look tired in September.
Angelonia	Archangel™ Fuchsia	Ball FloraPlant	5	4	2.5	1	3.13	No flowers in August and Sept.
Antirrhinum majus	DoubleShot Yellow Red Heart	AAS	4.5	2.5	1	0	2	Bloomed well in May, slowed in June
Antirrhinum majus	Orange Bicolor	AAS	4.5	2.5	1	0	2	Bloomed well in May, slowed in June
Begonia	I'CONIA® Bachelorette Red	Dümmen Orange	5	4	2	2	3.25	Smaller but more flowers than other in series
Begonia	I'CONIA® First Kiss Saffron	Dümmen Orange	5	4	1	1	2.75	
Begonia	I'CONIA® Portofino Citrix	Dümmen Orange	5	4	1.5	1	2.88	
Begonia	I'CONIA® Portofino Hot Orange	Dümmen Orange	5	4	1	0.5	2.63	Chocolate foliage and green veins add to appeal
Begonia	Surefire Cascade™ Red	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Cascaded beautifully over the side of the pot.
Begonia	Surefire® Red	Proven Winners	4.5	4.5	4.5	5	4.63	Slow to get started
Begonia	Surefire® Rose	Proven Winners	4.5	4.5	4.5	5	4.63	Slow to get started
Begonia	Surefire® White	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	
Begonia x hybrid	Viking™ Explorer Rose on Green	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	
Bidens	Campfire® Marshmallow	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Always a favorite!
Bidens	Campfire® Red Ember	Proven Winners	5	3.5	1.5	2	3	In July flowers have lost petals, new ones forming. Over half dead in Aug.
Bidens ferulifolia	Bidy Boom Wildfire 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	2.5	0	0	1.88	Half of them have died in July
Calibrachoa	Superbells Magic® Double Grapefruit	Proven Winners	5	4	5	4.5	4.63	Nice mix of flowers that open yellow and age to pink, lacked vigor in July but make up for it in August.
Calibrachoa	Superbells® Double Smitten Pink™	Proven Winners	4	3	4.5	4	3.88	
Calibrachoa	Superbells® Double Vintage Coral™	Proven Winners	5	4	5	4.5	4.63	
Calibrachoa	Bloomtastic Cherry Red	Dümmen Orange	5	4	5	4.5	4.63	Gorgeous in Sept.
Calibrachoa	Bloomtastic Peach Grenadine 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	4	4.5	4	4.38	Large flower with dark "throat"
Calibrachoa	Bloomtastic Purple	Dümmen Orange	4.5	4	4	3.5	4	Not as floriferous. Foliage looked chlorotic all summer despite being fertilized several times.
Calibrachoa	MiniFamous® Neo Coral Flash	Selecta One	5	4	3	3	3.75	
Calibrachoa	MiniFamous® Neo Magenta Star	Selecta One	5	4	4	3.5	4.13	
Calibrachoa	MiniFamous® Neo Rose Flash	Selecta One	5	4	4.5	4	4.38	
Calibrachoa	MixMasters™ Poppin' Primaries	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	Love mix of three colors. Wish the red was a little stronger.
Calibrachoa	Trixi® FunTopia Utopia	Selecta One	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	

Calibrachoa	Trixi® Savoring Starfruit	Selecta One	4.5	3.5	3	3	3.5	Dull compared to other cultivars
Calibrachoa	Trixi® Swirling Shuffle	Selecta One	5	4	4	3.5	4.13	Verbena is more vigorous than other plants in the mix.
Capsicum annuum	Dragonfly	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Large amount of fruit changing from green to purple, orange to red
Capsicum annuum	Pick-N-Pop Yellow	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Lots of peppers
Capsicum annuum	Quickfire	AAS	5	5	4	4	4.5	Bonsai-like, compact, dense branches, fruit beginning to form in late July. August new growth and flowers are hiding July's fruit. In Sept. new green pepper are hiding old red peppers.
Capsicum annuum	Red Impact	AAS	5	4	4	3.5	4.13	Not a lot of fruit
Capsicum annuum	San Joaquin	AAS	5	5	4	4	4.5	
Capsicum annuum	Wildcat	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Large amounts of 5-6 inch fruit maturing to orange with age
Catharanthus	Pacifica XP Red Halo	PanAmerican Seed	5	4.5	4.5	5	4.75	
Celosia plumosa	Burning Embers	AAS	5	4.5	5	5	4.88	Large, attractive two-toned leaves, in late July foliage is still prominent, flowers blend in with foliage. In August flower held well above the foliage. Flowers glow.
Celosia plumosa	Flamma Orange	AAS	5	5	5	4	4.75	Outstanding display of flowers in July and August. Looking tired in Sept.
Cleome	Señorita Rosalita®	Proven Winners	5	3.5	4.5	5	4.5	Harlequin beetles hit hard in July. Sprayed and it recovered.
Coleus scutellarioides	ColorBlaze® El Brighto	Proven Winners	5	4.5	4.5	3.5	4.38	Beginning to flower late July, lost pink coloration in the leaf. In full bloom in August.
Coleus scutellarioides	ColorBlaze® Royale Pineapple Brandy™	Proven Winners	5	5	4	5	4.75	Always a favorite!
Coleus scutellarioides	ColorBlaze® Wicked Witch™	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Velvety, broad burgundy leaf, crisp small lime green margin
Coleus scutellarioides	Down Town® Dallas	Dümmen Orange	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	
Coleus scutellarioides	Main Street Beale Street	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	5	4.75	Amount of burgundy varies plant to plant. Beginning to flower in Sept.
Coleus scutellarioides	Main Street Fifth Avenue	Dümmen Orange	4.5	4	3	1	3.13	Dull amongst others in June. Even more dull in July.
Coleus scutellarioides	Main Street Oxford Street	Dümmen Orange	5	5	4.5	3.5	4.5	Great contrast, dark center, starting to flower in late July
Coleus scutellarioides	Stained Glassworks® Le Freak	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.63	
Crossandra fortuna	Watermelon	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.63	Tangerine in color. Had to treat for thrips in August.
Cuphea hyssopifolia	Cupheasy Lavender	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	
Dahlia	Dalaya® Purple Lace	Selecta One	4	2.5	2	1.5	2.5	Few blooms, dark green leaves, slightly cupped, 2 out of 12 have one flower in July
Dahlia	Venti™ FireBurst	Selecta One	4.5	3.5	2.5	1.5	3	Few blooms, 3 out of 12 plants have one flower
Dahlia	Venti™ PinkBurst	Selecta One	4.5	3.5	3.5	2	3.38	Few blooms, average of 3 flowers per plant in July, No flowers in August and Sept.

Dahlia pinnata	Black Forest Ruby	AAS	5	3.5	1	0.5	2.5	Variation in form, flower shape, size, etc., seed grown, average of one flower per plant, several are looking poor
Didelta	Silver River™	Proven Winners	3	0	0	0	0.75	Half are dying in June, All have died in July
Fuchsia hybrida	Ballerina® Assemblé	Dümmen Orange	3.5	0	0	0	0.88	
Fuchsia hybrida	Ballerina® Coupé 2025	Dümmen Orange	4.5	2.5	0.5	0.5	2	
Helianthus	Suncredible® Yellow	Proven Winners	5	4	5	5	4.75	Length of nodes are longer than should be
Heliotropium	Aromagica™ Purple	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Not much smell in June, blooming beautifully with some fragrance
Impatiens	Solarscape XL Pink Jewel	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	
Impatiens	Beacon® Blue Pearl	PanAmerican Seed	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	
Impatiens	Beacon® Light Pink	PanAmerican Seed	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	
Ipomoea	Sweet Caroline Medusa™ Green	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	
Jamesbrittenia	Safari® Dawn	Proven Winners	5	3.5	3	2.5	3.5	No flowers in late July. Very flower in August and Sept.
Jamesbrittenia	Safari® Dusk™	Proven Winners	4.5	3.5	2.5	2	3.13	No flowers in late July. Very flower in August and Sept.
Jamesbrittenia	Safari® Lava Flow	Proven Winners	4.5	2.5	1.5	1	2.38	No flowers in late July. Very flower in August and Sept.
Lantana	Luscious® Basket Tangeglow™	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Very uniform growth habit from June to frost.
Lantana	Luscious® Royale Red Zone™	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Growth habit not a uniform as others but still a great plant.
Lantana	PassionFruit	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	5	5	5	Wow! Such a show stopper.
Lantana	Heartland Blue Moon 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Very uniform growth habit until late in the season.
Lantana	Heartland Citrus 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Very uniform growth habit until late in the season.
Lantana	Heartland White 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Very uniform growth habit until late in the season.
Lantana	Shamrock™ Lavender	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	5	5	5	Growth habit not a uniform as others.
Lobelia	Laguna® Royale Azure	Proven Winners	5	2.5	1	1	2.38	Flowering most out of series in June
Lobelia	Laguna® Royale Blue Pearl	Proven Winners	4.5	1	0.5	0.5	1.63	
Lobelia	Laguna® Royale Lilac	Proven Winners	4	0	0	0	1	
Lobelia	Laguna® Royale Pink	Proven Winners	5	3	0.5	0.5	2.25	
Oenothera	Superlophus™ Sunglow	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	
Pelargonium	Glory Days Pink Bicolor	Dümmen Orange	5	4	5	4.5	4.63	Attractive bicolor flower
Pelargonium	Glory Days Red Orange Bicolor	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	5	5	4.88	Uniquely attractive bicolor flower in June, no orange color in flower in late July
Pelargonium	Moonlight™ Dark Red 26	Selecta One	5	4.5	5	4.5	4.75	Great foliage, nice color
Pelargonium	Santana Dark Red	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	4	4.5	
Pelargonium	Santana Fire	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4	4.5	4.5	Yellow gold new growth
Pelargonium	Santana Pink Splash	Dümmen Orange	5	5	4	4	4.5	Bright pink flowers

Pelargonium	Santana White Splash	Dümmen Orange	5	3.5	3.5	2.5	3.63	Unique flowers, very floriferous but plant did not fill in as well as others
Pelargonium	Sarita® Sunstar Red	Dümmen Orange	5	4	4.5	4	4.38	
Pelargonium	Sarita® Wild Salmon	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	4	4.5	Not very salmon, darker and thicker foliage
Pelargonium	Solera™ Dark Red	Ball FloraPlant	5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.63	Almost metallic flowers
Pelargonium interspecific	Moonlight™ Purple+Big Eye	Selecta One	5	5	5	5	5	Distinct flowers
Pentas	Lucky Star® Violet Improved	PanAmerican Seed	5	5	4	4.5	4.63	Overall full, rounded habit with lots of flower heads. In August in need of deadheading.
Petunia	DuraBloom® Hot Pink	Dümmen Orange	4.5	2.5	0.5	0	1.88	Looks scraggly with few blooms
Petunia	Supertunia Mini Vista® Pink Cloud™	Proven Winners	4.5	5	4.5	4	4.5	Doesn't spread as well as Mini Vista Yellow
Petunia	Supertunia Mini Vista® Yellow	Proven Winners	5	5	5	3	4.5	Compact, good coverage
Petunia	Supertunia Vista® Bubblegum®	Proven Winners	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	
Petunia	Supertunia Vista® Cool Jazz™	Proven Winners	5	4.5	4	4	4.38	
Petunia	Supertunia Vista® Jazzberry®	Proven Winners	5	4.5	4	4	4.38	Vibrant color
Petunia	Supertunia® Hoopla® Vivid Orchid™	Proven Winners	5	4.5	4.5	5	4.75	
Petunia	Cherry Tartwheel	Ball FloraPlant	5	2.5	1	1	2.38	Beautiful flower, very few flowers in late July
Petunia	Easy Wave® Pink Pearl	PanAmerican Seed	5	4	4	2	3.75	
Petunia	Ez Rider® True Blue	PanAmerican Seed	4.5	3.5	3.5	2	3.38	Not a true blue, more purple
Petunia	Headliner™ Crystal Pink	Selecta One	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	Attractive two-toned vibrant flower
Petunia	Headliner™ Strawberry Picotee	Selecta One	3	1.5	0.5	0.5	1.38	Lacks vigor, yellow foliage, 2/3 have died in late July
Petunia	Purple Fantasy	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	Dense habit with lots of medium size flowers.
Petunia	Radiant Ruby	Ball FloraPlant	5	4.5	3	2	3.63	Wide variation in flower color from dirty white to almost solid purple
Petunia	Shock Wave® Rose Vein	PanAmerican Seed	5	4	4	2.5	3.88	Smaller blooms but floriferous
Petunia	Shock Wave® Violet	PanAmerican Seed	5	4	4	3	4	Smaller blooms but floriferous
Phlox	Southern Blaze™ Blueberry	Proven Winners	4	3.5	0	0	1.88	Half have died in late July
Phlox	Southern Blaze™ Bright Pink	Proven Winners	4.5	4.5	1	0	2.5	One has died in July, flowers covering 1/4 of plant
Phlox	Southern Blaze™ Red Hot	Proven Winners	3.5	0.5	0	0	1	All have died but one in late July
Phlox	Southern Blaze™ White	Proven Winners	4	4	2	0.5	2.63	Half have died in late July
Portulaca oleracea	Cupcake Carrot 2024	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Burgundy tones in foliage compliment buttery orange flowers
Portulaca oleracea	Cupcake Coconut	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Bright white flowers pair well with yellow stamens
Portulaca oleracea	RíoGrande™ Citrus Crush	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	2/3 of flowers appear to be faded in July but still very attractive. Long flowing stems in August and Sept. make it look less tidy.

Portulaca oleracea	RíoGrande™ Raspberry Lemonade	Ball FloraPlant	5	5	4.5	4	4.63	Vibrant fuchsia contrasts beautifully with yellow edge giving it a fun and festive appearance. Long flowing stems in August and Sept. make it look less tidy.
Salvia farinacea	Icon Blue Bicolor	Dümmen Orange	5	4.5	4.5	4	4.5	
Salvia farinacea	Icon Glacier	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	4	4.75	Blooms are more dense the Bicolor making it more showy. Looking dingy in September.
Sanvitalia procumbens	Sunvy Super Gold 2025	Dümmen Orange	5	0	0	0	1.25	All have died in July
Scaevola	Stardiva® Blue	Proven Winners	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	
Scaevola	Stardiva® Pink	Proven Winners	5	4.5	4	3	4.13	
Scaevola	Whirlwind® White (Imp)	Proven Winners	5	5	5	5	5	Trails nicely
Scaevola aemula	Scala Cappello Purple	Dümmen Orange	5	5	5	5	5	Compact but very floriferous
Solanum lycopersicum	Pink Delicious	AAS	5	5	4.5	5	4.88	Large fruits weighing up to 1 1/3 lbs. Produced fruit into October.
Solanum lycopersicum	Purple Zebra	AAS	5	5	4	4.5	4.63	In August plants remain vigorous but not much fruit.
Solanum lycopersicum	Sunset Torch	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Produced large quantities of fruit unto October.
Solanum Melongena	Icicle	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Large vigorous plants with copious amounts of beautiful white fruit
Solenostemon scutellariodes	Premium Sun Coral Candy	AAS	4	4.5	4	4	4.13	
Tagetes erecta	Siam Gold	AAS	5	5	4	1	3.75	Some plants have lodged in August. Most have died in Sept.
Tagetes patula	Mango Tango	AAS	5	5	4.5	4.5	4.75	Good balance of flowers and attractive foliage. Some plant have split in August.
Torenia fournieri	Summery Love Pure White	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	
Verbena	Empress® Sun Cherry	Dümmen Orange	4.5	4	4	4.5	4.25	
Verbena	Empress® Sun Lavender Charme 2025	Dümmen Orange	4.5	4.5	4.5	4	4.38	Has the more flowers than other in the series thought-out the season.
Verbena	Empress® Sun Violet 2025	Dümmen Orange	4	4	3.5	3.5	3.75	
Verbena bonariensis	Vanity	AAS	5	5	5	5	5	Average of 5 flowers per plant with many more coming on, healthy and robust
Verbena tenuisecta	Sweetheart Kisses	AAS	5	4.5	4.5	4	4.5	Mix of pink, pale pink, and dark red, attractive lacy foliage but gangly habit, could have more flowers
Zinnia	Elegant™ Hot Mixture	PanAmerican Seed	5	5	5	4.5	4.88	
Zinnia marylandica	Zydeco Fire	AAS	5	5	4.5	4.5	4.75	