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Sales Catalogue 2018 for Pot Grown Snowdrops

NAME	DESCRIPTION	PRICE
G. ELWESII CULTIVARS		
G. elwesii 'Abington Green'	Outer segments broad with a solid green mark to the inner segments.	8
G. elwesii 'Anglesey Orange Tip'	Discovered at Anglesey Abbey, Cambridgeshire, the orange tips of this elwesii make this rare and highly sought after.	55
G. elwesii 'Beany'	The very best green-tipped G. elwesii. Very rare. A robust and substantial plant. Mid season. 20-25cm.	50
G. elwesii 'Big Boy'	'BIG' is the operative word here, flower reaching 4+cm in size on a plant 20cm high. Quite possibly the largest of all snowdrops.	50
G. elwesii 'Carolyn Elwes'	The yellow <i>G. elwesii</i> discovered at Colesbourne Park. Extremely rare.	290
G. elwesii 'Chris Sanders'	Named after the respected plantsman by the late great Margaret Owen. Known to produce additional segments.	50
G. elwesii 'Don Armstrong'	A particularly pretty poculiform G. elwesii. Rare.	120
G. elwesii 'Elmley Lovett'	Apparently discovered in Elmley Lovett, Worcestershire, this plant exhibits strong emerald green marking on inners.	20
G. elwesii 'Godfrey Owen'	A radiant G. elwesii clone with six outer and six inner segments. Symmetrical and exquisite. Mid season.	30
G. elwesii 'Long Drop'	Largest flowered single marked G. elwesii cultivar. Quite striking and very sturdy. Mid season. 21cm	15
G. elwesii 'Margaret Owen'	Named after the renowned galanthophile Margaret Owen, this elwesii has a bold green mark on inners and large outers.	55
G. elwesii 'Natalie Garton'	A bit of an elwesii oddity in that it exhibits semi-double flowers. A pretty plant with a 'full' and rounded impression.	8
G. elwesii var. elwesii	Descendent of the original 'giant snowdrop' collected by H.J. Elwes, provided by the great collector's descendent Sir H.W.G. Elwes.	5
G. elwesii var. elwesii 'Pat Mason'	Beautiful green tips and distinctive incurved margins to the foliage. A rare snowdrop.	50
G. elwesii var. monostictus 'Comet' (AGM)	Generally regarded as being in the 'top ten'. Excellent plant, vigorous and reliable. Mid to late season. 27cm.	12
G. elwesii var. monostictus 'Marjorie Brown'	Late clone with alluring glaucous leaves. March. 17cm.	10
G. elwesii var. monostictus 'Mrs. Macnamara'	Named for Dylan Thomas' mother-in-law. Early flowering with true elegance. The best early flowering <i>G. elwesii</i> . Dec-Jan. 20cm.	10
G. elwesii 'Yvonne Hay'	Very vigorous, large clone. A good match for <i>G. plicatus</i> 'Colossus'. Early to mid season. 37cm.	20
G. NIVALIS CULTIVARS		
G. nivalis (AGM)	Beautiful common snowdrop, established in pots for naturalising. Vigorous and delightful. 5 bulbs per pot.	3.5
G. nivalis 'Anglesey Abbey'	A pretty variant exhibiting green leaves and sometimes no mark on the inner segments.	17.5
G. nivalis 'Blewbury Tart'	Flowers almost erect, outers brushed green at apex, inners form dark green rosette. Discovered in Oxfordshire by Alan Street.	10

G. nivalis 'Castle of Mey'	A pretty nivalis.	4
G. nivalis 'Flore Pleno' (AGM)	Familiar double snowdrop, excellent for naturalising. Feb-Apr. 12-15cm. 5 bulbs per pot.	5
G. nivalis 'Green Tear'	Arguably the greatest of the virescent snowdrops. Attractive green shading on outer segments with the unrivalled solid green marking on the inner segments. Very rare.	175
G. nivalis 'Norfolk Blonde'	Long, narrow, yellow ovary and acid yellow inner markings. Discovered in Rosie Steele's garden in 1992. 10cm.	30
G. nivalis 'Pusey Green Tips'	Double snowdrop with green tips on outer segments, always popular. Jan-Apr. 12cm.	4
G. nivalis Sandersii Group	Very pretty, reliably yellow snowdrop.	12.5
G. nivalis 'Viridapice'	Vigorous, tall G. nivalis with strong green tips on outer segments, spathe often expanded. Jan-Apr. 16cm.	4
G. PLICATUS CULTIVARS		
G. plicatus 1301	A large plicatus, as yet unnamed but colloquially known here at Colesbourne as 'George Proverbs', in honour of the local horticulturist, beekeeper and all round naturalist.	12.5
G. plicatus 'Baxendale's Late'	A usefully late season flowerer. Excellent for extending one's snowdrop season.	5
G. plicatus 'Colossus'	Huge, bombastic, early snowdrop. Readily forms clumps. Discovered at Colesbourne Park in 1982. Often out at Christmas. Dec-Mar. 30cm.	10
G. plicatus 'Gerard Parker'	Particularly good G. plicatus. Textured outer segments and strong, green markings in 'U' shape on inner segments.	17.5
G. plicatus 'John Long'	A strong, robust plant that readily forms clumps. Frequently produces two scapes per bulb.	15
G. plicatus 'Tomoko'	Discovered here at Colesbourne by the Japanese student for whom it is named. Trym-like in appearance, a real beauty.	40
G. reginae-olgae	Autumn flowering, a joy to behold. An absolute must for any collection.	10
G. HYBRIDS		
G. hyb. 'Alison Hilary'	Diffused marking inner segment, pretty little snowdrop. Discovered in the famous Backhouse Garden, Sutton Court, Herefordshire.	10
G. hyb. 'Anne of Geierstein'	Lovely, thick, fleshy outers formed on a short plant. Practically glows in the mist.	17.5
G. hyb. 'Armine'	An elegant, tall plant, which allows its inners' markings to be glimpsed even when the outers are nearly closed. 22cm.	8
G. hyb. 'Atkinsii Moccas Form'	Discovered at Moccas Court, Herefordshire, is generally agreed to be a stable form of 'Atkinsii', only very rarely producing an aberrant flower.	5
G. hyb. 'Benton Magnet'	For those familiar with G. 'Magnet', this is a usefully smaller version and quite as vigorous.	5
G. hyb. 'Bertram Anderson' (AGM)	Prosperous-looking large snowdrop, named after Gloucestershire gardener. Part of the 'Mighty Atom' complex. Early to mid season. 14cm.	10
G. hyb. 'Bill Bishop' (AGM)	Another member of the 'Mighty Atom' complex, distinguished by its long outer segments. 15cm.	10
G. hyb. 'Covertside'	A beautiful, sturdy snowdrop. Pale olive green marking with sage green leaves. Petals clawed. Mid season. 23cm.	27.5

G. hyb. 'E. A. Bowles'	An exceptional poculiform. You needn't be a galanthophile to fall in love with this angelic wonder. Divine.	60
G. hyb. 'Esther Merton'	A exceptionally beautiful outward facing double. Stunning and vigorous. Jan-Apr. 20cm.	40
G. hyb. 'Faringdon Double'	An early flowering double with spervolute leaves. Useful in the garden before Christmas through to January.	8
G. hyb. 'Galatea'	A large elegant snowdrop, flower hangs on long pedicel, early in the season. A rewarding garden plant. Jan-Mar. 29cm.	6
G. hyb. 'Hill Poë'	Ballerina petticoats with uniform hem shelter under 5 broad outer segments. One of the best doubles. A true favourite from Ireland. Late season. 12-16cm.	7.5
G. hyb. 'Hippolyta'	Delightful Greatorex Double, fully double, well marked inside with perfect flower to foliage ratio. Forms a lovely clump. Jan-Apr. 16cm.	6
G. hyb. 'James Backhouse'	Robust plant excellent for naturalising, long flowers have been known to exhibit fun, freaky things. Long flowering period. We suggest naturalising with <i>G. nivalis</i> . 20cm.	3
G. hyb. 'Jaquetta'	Yet another well-performing Greatorex double, forms healthy clumps, a good do-er.	6
G. hyb. 'John Gray'	An old cultivar, strong and dependable especially when positioned in a sunny spot.	8
G. hyb. 'Kildare'	Large snowdrop, yet subtle character. Beautiful markings of long, thin, green lines on outer segments. Mid to late season.	15
G. hyb. 'Lady Beatrix Stanley'	Charming double snowdrop with two very small dots on the inner segments, which appear to be peering out at the viewer.	6
G. hyb. 'Lapwing'	An alluring snowdrop. Long outer segments, distinctive two-tone inner markings. 14cm.	17.5
G. hyb. 'Little Ben'	Large, weighty flowerhead, another member of the 'Mighty Atom' complex, though rather scarcer in cultivation than other members of the clan.	15
G. hyb. 'Lord Lieutenant'	The Guardsman of the snowdrop world, "Stands straight upright with its chin out". Discovered in Colesbourne Park in 1994. Mid season. 23cm.	20
G. hyb. 'Magnet'	An old and reliable cultivar, with a long pedicel. It's head will swing penduously in the gentlest of breezes. 23cm.	5
G. hyb. 'Martha Maclaren'	A robust hybrid discovered in Primrose Warburg's garden. Named for Dr. John Griimshaw's niece. Broad, grey foliage and large flower. Willingly forms clumps.	35
G. hyb. 'Mrs. Thompson'	A particular oddity for any collection, this plant readily shows mutation, and what's more: is encouraged to! A welcome freak.	28
G. hyb. 'Primrose Warburg'	Vigorous and distinctive with yellow tinged leaves, yellow ovary, and yellow 'horseshoe' shaped inner marking. Mid season. 13cm.	25
G. hyb. 'Reverend Hailstone'	Named after former owner of Anglesey Abbey. Early and large flower.	8
G. hyb. 'Richard Ayres'	Large hybrid double with clearly marked flowers, vigorous and easy to grow. Named after former Head Gardener of Anglesey Abbey. 20-30cm.	15
G. hyb. 'Rosemary Burnham'	Discovered in Burnby, British Columbia, Canada by Rosemary Burnham in 1960s. Highly desirable green snowdrop. Lovely scent.	70
G. hyb. 'Rosie'	A classically beautiful double hybrid. Short with neat flower arrangement. Named after Hilary Purkess' granddaughter. Mid season.	30

G. hyb. 'S. Arnott' (AGM)	Our flagship snowdrop, perfect proportions, beautiful scent - a 'must have' memento of a trip to Colesbourne. Mid season. 30-35cm.	3.5
G. hyb. 'Seagull'	Often resembling G. 'Mighty Atom', this plant differs in being taller and sometimes sends up two flowering scapes. Inner segments have a broad, sharp 'v' mark.	12
G. hyb. 'Shropshire Queen'	Introduced by the late Simon Savage, this is a relatively early flowerer and a good do-er.	20
G. hyb. 'South Hayes'	One of our most distinctive snowdrops, a classic pagoda with a green marking resembling an exclamation mark! Mid season. 13cm.	40
G. hyb. 'St. Annes'	Attractive long outer segments with two green marks on the inner segments.	10
G. hyb. 'Straffan' (AGM)	One of the oldest and best late cultivars. Reliably producing two flowers per bulb, very vigorous with lovely proportions. 12cm.	5
G. hyb. 'Welshway'	A tidy double, supervolute leaves. Discovered in Hugh & Hilary Purkess' garden, Gloucestershire.	12.5
G. hyb. 'White Admiral'	Peculiar hybrid, sometimes producing up to five outer segments, and in some cases, an extra inner segment.	12.5
G. hyb. 'The Whopper'	Unsurprisingly this is a particularly LARGE flower from Ireland. Bold green marking on the inners.	35
G. hyb. 'Modern Art'	Outer segments narrow and brushed green at both base and apex, as Bertram Anderson puts it, "...curious but not beautiful... 'Modern Art'"	17.5
WINTER FLOWERS		
Crocus tommasinianus 'Ruby Giant'	A charming crocus with delicious scent. Violet-purple.	3
Cyclamen coum	Purple-pink flowers with attractive foliage, adds contrast to any snowdrop collection.	3
Eranthis hyemalis Cilicica Group	Winter aconite, different to E. hyemalis in that its foliage is more deeply dissected and slightly bronze with larger flowers.	4