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# SASS IRIS LIST

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MAPLE ROAD GARDEN

JACOB SASS

OMAHA, NEBRASKA RFD 7, BENSON STA.



## SASS MEANS CLASS

### SASS IRISES—1934

The superiority of Sass Irises has been thoroughly demonstrated by numerous awards to them culminating in the Dykes Medal for 1932 to Mr. H. P. Sass' Rameses.

The points of superiority that distinguish Sass Irises are, first of all, color. Other distinguishing qualities are complete hardiness, vigor of growth, freedom of bloom and texture. Grown under the rigorous conditions of Nebraska's hot sun and drying winds, an iris must be of the firmest texture to withstand them. Many fine Irises which are lacking in substance cannot be grown under Nebraska conditions. A Sass Iris will always stand up under any weather conditions.

The Sass Brothers are the leading breeders of intermediate irises and have developed this early blooming class into a range of color, size and quality of bloom that rivals the tall bearded class. They have also worked extensively and have developed qualities of Dwarf Irises of the highest quality and have now in process of development a series of Fall Blooming Irises.

## NEW TYPE OF IRISES

These are hybrids between the *Oncocyclus* hybrids and Dwarf Bearded hybrids. There are live in the series so far, more are coming on. This is a particular difficult cross, owing to the sterility existing so often between these two types. They range in height from six to sixteen inches and bloom with the Dwarf Bearded and early intermediates.

Combining the unusual coloring of the huge *Oncocyclus* and the characteristic signal patch on the falls with *Pumila* hybrid coloring has produced color combinations unlike any previous known in thoroughly hardy, vigorous growing irises. These new iris are ironic and need no further winter protection. The foliage is persistent all season, remaining fresh and green from early spring until hard freezing. The colors are of an opalescent quality which it is impossible to convey adequately by description. The following are offered:

**BALROUDOUR (OP No. 32-1)** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S Pallid soft bluish violet. F. and stigmas deep olive buff darkening to dark olive buff toward center with an olive yellow blotch on the haft and reddish brown stripes in the throat. Light blue beard, tipped brownish yellow. An exquisite color combination, reversing the unusual combination of bronzy standards and blue toned falls. It has two flowered stems 12 to 15 inches tall. Exceptionally vigorous grower .....\$1.00

**BLUE TOPAZ (OP No. 2)** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—A striking combination of blue, brown, and green of delicate blending. S. and stigmas pale violet blue with darker sheen. Style branches the same color tinted green. F, pale violet blue with a blotch at half overlaid with warm blackish brown. Stripes of same coloring on haft. Brown beard tipped darker brown. Two medium sized blooms on 12 to 15-inch stems.....\$1.00

**GRAY CLOUR (OP No. 32-2)** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—This is a subtle blend of blue, gray, red, green, and brown. S, pale campanula blue with brownish red stripes at the base and a brown purple sheen through the center of the flower. F and stigmas dawn gray with brown purple stripes on the haft merging into a brown purple blotch at the end of the beard. Green stripes extend from the blotch to the edge of the falls. Beard white tipped with brown and yellow. Two medium sized blooms on foot high stems.....\$1.00

**STORMY DAWN (OP No. 31-1)** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—Violet, blue, red-brown, green, and yellow mingle in the coloring of a storm cloud with the sun breaking through it at dawn which suggested the name. S pallid soft blue violet darker at base with a reddish brown sheen. F and stigmas pale neropalin blue with brown stripes on the haft, forming a blotch one-half by three-quarters of an inch at the end of the beard. The falls have an overlay of yellowish green with green stripes from the blotch to the edge of the falls, which flare. Gray beard tipped brown and yellow. Medium to large flowers on 6 to 10-inch stems .....\$6.00

**VELVO (OP No. 1)** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—The darkest and richest of this class. S. pleroma violet darkening to Haematoxylin violet at midrib. Stigmas pleroma violet veined Haematoxylin violet. F, velvety dark Madder violet overlaid red, margin of falls, pleroma violet. Small black blotch at the end of the bronzy brown beard. One to two flowers on 6 to 8-inch stems. Stock limited .....\$7.50

## NEW 1934 SASS IRISES

This year's introductions are the following which have been introduced because of their magnificent coloring and other fine qualities which have stood the test of several seasons bloom:

**ABELARD** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. S, deep livid brown. F, veronia purple. 26-inch branching stems .....\$5.00

**AUTUMN GLEAM** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate and fall bloomer. Citron yellow throughout. Medium flowers of fine shape and heavy substance. 24-inch stems, rather high branching.....\$10.00

**AUTUMN HAZE** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Fall blooming, tall bearded. Color: S vinaceous purple; F Manganese violet. Large flowers on 30-inch low branching stems; generally taller in spring.....\$25.00

**GENTIUS** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. S, bluish violet. F, royal purple. 24-inch branching stems...\$2.00

**GOLDEN WEST** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—A fine yellow intermediate. S Empire yellow. F wax yellow. Orange beard. 30 inches.....\$2.50

**OWAISSA** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Dwarf bearded. Medium blue self pumila hybrid. Small flowers on 4 to 8-inch stems .....\$1.00

**PINK OPAL (28-12)** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Sister seedling to pink satin. Large flowers on 40 to 46-inch stems. Stems are rather short branching. Color lilac self...\$2.00

**RED ORCHID** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Our reddest intermediate. S violet carmine; F velvety violet carmine. Dark yellow beard. 28 inches.....\$2.50

**ROSE MIST** (H. P. Sass)—Dwarf bearded. Blended pumila hybrid .....25c

**SOUTHLAND** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate and fall bloomer. Color lemon chrome. Flowers large and of heavy substance. S domed; F flaring. Stems 24 inches, low branching.....\$25.00

**SUSA** (H. P. Sass, 1934)—Intermediate. Velvety red purple self. 24-inch stems.....\$2.00

**THE BLACK DOUGLAS** (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Very fine dark blackish purple self. Branching stems 36 inches tall .....\$20.00

## OTHER SASS IRISES

**AKSARBEN** (Jacob Sass, 1923)—One of the earliest and still one of the best plicata blends. S and F fawn and velvety brown on cream ground, yellow beard. 27 inches .....25c

**ALICE HORSEFALL** (H. P. Sass)—A big dark velvety red-purple intermediate and one of the finest of this class. An orange beard gives a fine contract. 30 inches. Blooms well into tall-bearded class.....75c

**AL-LU-WE** (H. P. Sass, 1932)—One of the new type of tall, large flowered variegatas. Of Nebraska x Rameses parentage with fine yellow standards and red falls on 40-inch branching stems.....\$3.00

**AMBERA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A topnotcher light yellow intermediate of great size, vigorous and free blooming. Amber yellow self, 30 inches.....50c

**AUTUMN QUEEN** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—An everblooming white iris of the intermediate type which has a record of blooming every month from April to November. White punila hybrid x Autumn King. Flower of good size and quality but on short stems.....25c

**BALDWIN** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—One of the best of the dark blue purples that belongs in every good collection. A huge Manganese violet self with an electric sheen in the falls on 40-inch well branched stems.....75c

**BLACKMOOR** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—One of the finest dark blue purples yet introduced, the deep blue effect intensified by a blue beard after the manner of Harmony. Almost black when newly opened, lightening to blackish violet of uniform coloring. A free bloomer of great size .....\$1.00

**BLUE HILL** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The bluest of the clear blue toned irises of a slightly deeper tone than Sensation and larger with perfect branching stems. A great addition to the blue toned iris.....\$1.00

**BLUE MONARCH** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—Deep bluish violet self. Color tone is a clear light blue. Large flower on 40 to 45-inch stems, low branching, 8 to 15 buds to a stem.....\$12.00

**BLUE WAVES** (H. P. Sass)—Rich dark blue, horizontal falls, fine for massing.....\$1.00

**BUTO** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—Intensity of color makes this iris stand out and catch the eye in any planting. A rich dark purple bicolor with velvety nearly black falls of great size and a great bloomer. Makes a fine mass. 30 inches .....25c

**CAROLINE E. STRINGER** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—In effect a beautiful pink tinted iris, large beautifully ruffled with yellow at the haft and a yellow beard. 36 inches .....25c

**CHALLENGER** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—A huge, very dark intermediate of Dominion race quality. S dull dark purple. F dark blackish violet, velvety, with a contrasting white beard tipped orange. Falls flaring. The largest flowered intermediate and a favorite wherever seen. Vigorous and free blooming.....25c

**CHESTNUT** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—A new type added to our various plicatas, the brownest of our plicatas. S ruffled cinnamon drab. F cream dotted petunia violet with brown stripes on the yellow haft. Handsome and unique .....25c

**CHIEF** (Jacob Sass, 1926)—A fine big blue purple intermediate, very dark and a fine companion for the redder toned Challenger. 22 inches.....25c

**CHURCHMOUSE** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—A new color break greatly admired— brown iris, self Hays brown of Ridgeway. Medium sized flower on 36-inch stems.....25c

**CLARA NOYES** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A gorgeous blend of orange, yellow, and red of Talisman rose coloring \$3.00

**COLOSSUS** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The biggest American iris and probably the largest in the world, exceeding Nene. A large purple of fine quality. Has produced blooms almost 10 inches tall.....\$5.00

**CYRUS** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A gem among the yellow iris and an intermediate that blooms well into the tall

bearded season. Medium sized flowers of fine form and substance on graceful 34-inch stems. Empire yellow with a much deeper splash at the end of the beard, giving a glowing effect. The tallest intermediate.....50c

**DOUGLAS** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A blue violet blended bicolor of imposing size and height. S light lavender violet. F litho purple shading to light lavender violet at the edge with brown shaded hafts. Flaring falls, pale yellow beard. The big blooms are held on 40 to 44-inch branching stems.....\$5.00

**DOXA** (H. P. Sass, 1928)—A most popular and well rated intermediate of great size and novel coloring. Originally named Olive Giant. S light Chalcedony yellow. F olive buff with tint at center. Heavy substance. 20 inches.....50c

**EL TOVAR** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—The most brilliant and gorgeously colored variegata blend in rich brown yellow and blackish maroon with a yellow glow at the heart. S domed Mikado brown toning into honey yellow in the center of the standards. F drooping with flaring tips of solid blackish maroon not fading at the margins. 36 inches.....\$20.00

**EUPHONY** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—An iris of Ophelia type but of distinctive form and taller than the well-known French blend and of more intense coloring. S Conical, ruffled. Mustard yellow tipped with Chaemois. F the same overlaid vinaceous. Medium to large flowers on 36-inch stems, the distant effect being a rich, deep yellow. Exceptionally vigorous and free blooming.....35c

**GOLDEN HARVEST** (Jacob Sass, 1930)—Our first yellow fall blooming intermediate which suggested the name. S olive yellow, bluish at the haft. F yellow citron, haft sulphur yellow, stripped white and with a brown and bluish sheen. Distinct orange beard. Always a surprising and cheerful note in the fall.....\$1.00

**GOLDEN HELMET** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S Ochraceous tawny at the edge, yellow ochre at the midrib and buckthorn brown at the claw. F Morocco red overlaid or blood red, bronze haft striped Morocca red, prominent orange beard. Height 35 inches. Stem low branching carrying 8 to 12 buds. A striking brilliant variegata that shines in any iris planting.....\$20.00

**GOLDEN LIGHT** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A seedling of Euphony with the distinctive form and size of Euphony, 40 inches tall with low branching stems. It is a cinnamon arrangement. In the color class with Jean Cayeaux, Vishnu, and other brown toned blends, but brighter and of better carrying quality.....\$12.00

**IMPERIAL BLUSH** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A beautiful large blush pink with 40-inch branching stems.....\$7.50

**IRMA FOLLOCK** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—In effect a much lighter toned Waconda and of equally fine quality. S Magenta. F velvety carmine, with a lighter margin. A flower of medium size and telling garden effect. 36 inches.....\$1.50

**JOYCETTE** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A sensational red iris last year and declared by many critics to be the finest yet introduced. It is redder than Red Wing with remarkable carrying quality, the one iris that catches the eye in any planting. S raisin purple. F blackish purple. A very large flower measuring 6 to 6½ inches. 42-inch low branched stems. A superlative iris. The effect with the sun shining through it is a rich, blazing

red. Form excellent and substance heavy with usually three or four blooms open at once. Long blooming period .....\$15.00

**JUMBO** (Jacob Sass, 1927)—An enormous dark velvety bicolor with blue violet standards and dark red violet falls that deserves better acquaintance. Makes a grand group. S Vanderpoel's violet. F mulberry purple. Vivid yellow beard. 36 inches.....25c

**KING JUBA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The cleanest, clearest colored of the new large flowered variegatas, the brilliant contrast between the yellow standards and wide solid deep velvety red falls, making this a striking and much admired iris. Very large flowers on 36 to 40-inch stems .....\$3.00

**KING KARL** (Jacob Sass, 1925)—The best known and best liked plicata blend. Beautifully ruffled light pinkish cinnamon standards. F cream sanded in an all-over pattern of liseran purple with a yellow beard. The bloom takes on beautiful rosy tones as it ages. 27 inches .....25c

**KING TUT** (H. P. Sass, 1925)—Notable for its beautiful brilliant brown and red tones that fairly blaze in bright sun. Parent of some of our finest reds and blends. F Hessian brown. S and stigmas Cacao brown. Haft and beard golden yellow, the general effect in the garden of brilliant red.....50c

**LONA** (Jacob Sass, 1923)—Another fine plicata type of unique coloring and pattern. S pale purplish vinaceous, white at center, ruffled. F cream dotted and striped Eupatorium purple with a yellow glow at the haft and center. 27 inches.....25c

**MIDGARD** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—The best known and most popular pink and yellow blend, always in demand. An iris of exquisite coloring and has firm, heavy substance. Both standards and falls yellow with a flush of clear pink. A strong grower and free bloomer. 30 inches. Every collection should have this iris.....35c

**MIDWEST PRIDE** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—The finest iris of Archevique coloring. Three foot branching stems with large flowers, an improved R. W. Wallace, usually regarded as an improved Archevique. S Hortense violet; F hyacinth violet, deepening at the center of the falls. A very fine dark iris of heavy and lasting substance .....\$1.50

**NEBRASKA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—The latest yellow iris to bloom and one of the richest yellows in the entire yellow scale. S ruffled apricot yellow. F same color with brown veinings. Dark yellow beard. A large flower. Requires good drainage.....50c

**NEOLA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A new departure in color in the dwarf bearded irises, a beautiful brown toned blend, unlike any other dwarf. S livid violet; F deep livid brown shaded sorghum brown. Pale yellow beard. Medium to large flowers on 10-inch stems.....50c

**NO-WE-TA** (H. P. Sass, 1932)—A pinker Midgard type of entirely different form and an iris of exquisite coloring. S Conic arched and frilled. It is a beautiful true pink self in effect with yellow flushes at the center and edges of the falls and standards. 32 inches.....\$3.50

**OKOBOJI** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A rich, very dark velvety red purple of medium size and strikingly rich appearance. S deep livid purple; F velvety dark maroon purple. 30 inches.....50c

**OMAHA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—Approaching a clear red



in tone of beautiful clarity. S dark vinaceous; F vinaceous purple. Blooms large. Height 30 inches. Makes a fine red mass in the garden as it is a very vigorous grower and free bloomer..... **50c**

**ORIANA** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A pure white of fine form and substance, of good size, with a finely balanced stem 32 inches tall. It is a seedling of a white intermediate, notable for its crystal whiteness, crossed with a Lady Foster seedling, inheriting the fine white qualities of the former. This is much superior to the older whites ..... **\$4.00**

**PIXY** (H. P. Sass)—An unusual departure, a dwarf plicata blend of Jubilee coloring, flowering with the tall bearded irises. Branching stems 8 to 10 inches high. This little beauty has excited much admiration..... **\$1.00**

**QUIVERA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A mingling of buff, pink, yellow, orange and brown, difficult to describe, but of unique beauty. S buff pink; F orange vinaceous striped pink vinaceous, yellow glow at the center with brown striped hafts and bright yellow beard. Blooms of medium size. 30 inches..... **75c**

**RAGUSA** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—The finest rich dark red purple blend among the intermediates, rivaling the red purple Dominion seedlings in richness and texture. S pansy purple; F blackish red purple. Five to seven flowers. 22 inches..... **50c**

**RAMESES** (H. P. Sass, 1929)—A vigorous, healthy grower in all parts of the country and a fast increaser and free bloomer. In color, pink and rose toned blend. S light russet vinaceous with yellow glow at the center; F flaring to drooping, Tourmaline pink. Heavy apricot beard with a 36-inch well branched graceful stem... **\$2.00**

**RED WING** (H. P. Sass)—One of the reddest irises in garden effect and makes a brilliant group of striking beauty. S light brownish vinaceous; F Dahlia carmine. Large blooms. 36 inches..... **75c**

**ROSE OF CUBA** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—A fine rose toned iris of medium height and fine sized blooms. S Amparo purple; F petunia violet with brown haft; yellow beard. Thirty-two inch branching stems..... **\$1.00**

**SPOKAN** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S sayal brown overlaid reddish brown; F oxblood red, overlaid blackish brown. Haft yellow with brown stripes. Prominent orange beard. The most brilliant of the red-brown blends. The blooms are carried on 36-inch well branched stems ..... **\$20.00**

**THURATUS** (H. P. Sass)—One of the darkest of all irises and makes a striking garden group. A rather long flower with drooping falls, a blackish purple self, showing rich crimson tones when the sun shines through it. 38 to 40 inches. A real beauty..... **\$1.00**

**ULTRA** (H. P. Sass)—The general color effect is blue. S Ultramarine violet. A very reliable intermediate fall bloomer ..... **25c**

**WACONDA** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A much admired, big red purple self of deep tone with exceptional carrying quality for so dark an iris. It makes a most effective garden group of deep red effect. A sister seedling of Rameses ..... **\$1.00**

**WAMBLISKA** (Jacob Sass, 1931)—The largest, tallest, and finest of the really hardy blue white irises. Snowy glittering white standards with a blue tint at the heart of the flower. Clear snow white falls with pale yellow beard and a few yellow veins at the haft. 38 to 45 inches ..... **\$1.50**

**WAR EAGLE** (Jacob Sass, 1933) — S vinaceous purple, 3 inches wide by 4 inches long. F blackish red purple fading to pansy purple. Haft and claw cream with brown stripes on the haft. Falls 2  $\frac{3}{4}$  by 5 inches, the whole bloom measuring 7 inches in height. Stems 36 to 40 inches tall, well branched. In effect a rich, glowing deep red toned iris of great size that is, in our opinion, one of the finest red toned irises yet introduced but of distinct effect from other reds.....\$20.00

We have a good stock of the following irises and will price them at 2 for 25c:

**AUTUMN KING** (H. P. Sass, 1924), **Beau Ideal** (Jacob Sass, 1924), **Eventide** (H. P. Sass, 1926), **Jubilee** (Jacob Sass, 1923), **Laddie Boy** (Dwarf—H. P. Sass, 1931), **Matilda** (Jacob Sass, 1929), **Midwest** (H. P. Sass, 1923), **Mrs. Albert Sherman Hoyt** (Jacob Sass, 1927), **Nehawka** (Jacob Sass, 1929), **Nymph** (H. P. Sass, 1926), **Old Gold** (H. P. Sass, 1929), **Prairie Gold** (H. P. Sass, 1926), **Purple Haze** (H. P. Sass), **Sungod** (H. P. Sass), and **Trostringer** (H. P. Sass).

We grow quite a number of seedling Siberians and also Spurias. We have the following to offer:

**BLUE CHARM** (H. P. Sass), Siberian. Large light blue flower. 30 inches.....\$1.00

**MISS DULUTH** (Jacob Sass), Siberian. Velvety blackish violet. 30 inches.....\$1.00

**SUNNY DAY** (H. P. Sass), Spuria. Tall gleaming yellow self .....\$2.00

Owing to the expense of packing and shipping we cannot accept orders for less than One Dollar.

All orders are accepted subject to the condition and availability of stock at shipping time or being sold out. Early orders will be appreciated.

WE HAVE LILACS, PEONIES, HEMEROCALLIS,  
POPPIES AND WATER LILIES IN VARIETY.