



# MICKFIELD HOSTAS



## Dear subscriber

This month's newsletter brings you the latest website updates, ready for the upcoming season.

### 2017 Availability

The [2017 plant list](#) is now online and once again we have created a printable version you can download and scribble on, which is linked from the plant list page.

Last year we moved away from creating a catalogue, as it became out of date so quickly after publishing. This system allows us to add varieties in, and remove those we have sold out of, dynamically throughout the season. This enables us to make new, and re-introduced, varieties available as soon as we have them for sale. We are still operating a 'wish list' service where you can let us know of any specific varieties you are trying to source and we will do our best to supply at some point.

### Price freeze!

For the second year running we have decided to freeze prices across all the varieties we have available for sale.

We have yet to make a decision on our [Post and Packing rates](#) but are tempted to freeze these too - it rather depends on the Post Office and their review of pricing, which usually comes into effect on 1st April.

Consider it an incentive to get your orders in early to avoid any potential increases!

### Looking for inspiration?

We have re-vamped our planting pages to help provide inspiration for folks looking for a helping hand. Follow the [Inspiration](#) link to take you into a page, which features information on different growing environments you may be experiencing in your garden. This area of the site gives you some ideas on ways to combat problem areas and consider whether you should plant in the ground or in containers.

From this page you can go into the three themed areas of '[container](#)', '[combination](#)' and '[landscape](#)'. These pages feature lots of images and advice on ideas we can recommend, which have worked well for us.



## New to the National Collection

We added more than 30 new varieties to our collection during 2016.

Click on the names to find out more.

[H. 'Amalia'](#)

[H. 'Ambrosia'](#)

[H. 'American Choo Choo'](#)

[H. 'Angel Falls'](#)

[H. 'Atom Smasher'](#)

[H. 'Beyond Glory'](#)

[H. 'Blitz'](#)

[H. 'Blushing Blue'](#)

[H. 'Brentwood Blues'](#)

[H. 'Dutch Flame'](#)

[H. 'Fingerprint'](#)

[H. 'Forest Firefly'](#)

[H. 'Funny Frolic'](#)

[H. 'Hans'](#)

[H. 'Megan's Angel'](#)

- see photo above

[H. 'Merlin'](#)

[H. 'Mini Skirt'](#)

[H. 'Miracle Lemony'](#)

[H. 'Monkey Business'](#)

[H. 'Moulin Rouge'](#)

[H. 'Peter Ruh'](#)

[H. 'Regal Chameleon'](#)

[H. 'Riviera Sunset'](#)

[H. 'Sacramento'](#)

These pages will gradually feature more ideas as we experiment with our own garden planting.

### Latest show news

Sadly, we decided not to apply for Sandringham this year. Although we enjoyed the day in 2016 it was logistically tight to fit the show in after Tatton. We hope to return again in the future.

Don't forget to check our [Shows page](#) for our whereabouts in 2017.

Speak soon,

Team Mickfield

[H. 'Sara's Sensation'](#)

[H. 'Snow Bunting'](#)

[H. 'Stolen Kiss'](#)

[H. 'Sugar Snap'](#)

[H. 'The Devil's Edge'](#)

[H. 'The Queen'](#)

[H. 'Tootie Mae'](#)

[H. 'Vermont Frost'](#)

At this stage, all our images are of immature plants. If you would like to see more, visit the [Hosta Library](#).

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