



2024 Camellia List

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ADORABLE		Hybrid	Medium sized, open double blooms. Bright pink with darker veins. Compact upright growth. Mid to late season. 2m x 1.5m.
AMAZING GRACES	14GB	Japonica	Exquisite formal double blooms toned blush pink faintly edged with a deeper shade of pink. Flowers from winter through to spring. Nice upright Camellia. Plant in a semi-shaded position in acid soil for best results. 2.5m x 2m.
ALPEN GLO		Hybrid	Clusters of tight buds open to reveal tiny, blush pink single flowers from late winter to spring. 1.5m x 1m.
ANNETTE GEHRY		Japonica	Light, lavender pink, medium to large blooms, shading to a white centre with yellow stamens. An upright vigorous grower.
ANTICIPATION	23GB	Hybrid	This Jury hybrid from NZ has an Award of Garden Merit from the Royal Horticultural Society. It is a real show off with large double blooms of bright rose pink. Good strong grower with large glossy green leaves. Happiest in morning sun or part shade and acid soil. 2m x 1.5m.
APPLE BLOSSOM		Sasanqua	A versatile performer displaying profuse, white fragrant blooms edged in a rich pink with golden yellow stamens at the centre. Its dense habit makes it an excellent choice for a colourful hedge or screen, or train as an espalier against a fence or wall to show off its blooms against its glossy, dark green foliage. Early to mid season. 2m x 1.5m.
ARIEL'S SONG	25GB		Bushy grower, produces small, single, white flowers during the spring season. It makes for a great specimen or hedge. Upright, open growth habit with pendulous branches and light-green leaves typically measuring 9cm long x 3cm wide. The flowers are usually 4cm x 2.5cm deep with five petals, featuring gold anthers on white filaments. A hybrid between <i>Camellia fraterna</i> and <i>Camellia tsaii</i> . Produced by A. B. Durrant in Rotorua, New Zealand and first flowered in 1973.
AVALANCHE	2CA	Hybrid	Spreading bushy shrub with a pendulous growing habit. Large lustrous leathery dark green leaves. In late winter beautiful creamy white medium semi double flowers appear along the branches. Very hardy, though thrives in good loamy soil that does not get too dry. 1m x 1m.
BABY BEAR	22GB	Hybrid Miniature	If you want a really cute little Camellia to grow in a container or a hanging basket then it would be hard to go past 'Baby Bear'. The tiny semi-double flowers are pale pink blushed white and combine well with the dainty foliage. Flowers from July to September. Slow growing. 60cm x 60cm.
BABY PEARL		Japonica	Delightful compact Camellia with small formal double flowers that are white blushed with pink. Very pretty. Would make an excellent container plant. Happiest in morning sun or semi-shaded position. 1.5m x 1m.
BALLET DANCER	4GB	Japonica	Medium sized flower of full peony form. Creamy pink to brilliant coral at petal edges. Mid-season.
BALLET QUEEN		Japonica Hybrid	Large rosy-pink peony form. Dense upright growth. Mid to late season. 2.5m x 2.5m.
BAMBINO		Japonica	Bushy & reliable with coral/rose pink peony/anemone form blooms. Ideal for a hardy hedge. 2.5 x 1.5m.
BARBARA CLARK	32GB	Hybrid	Semi-double, pink flowers that bloom throughout summer. Hardy, evergreen that prefers a partially shaded position. Suitable for small gardens and is ideal for hedging, screens or as a specimen. 2.5m x 2m.
BEATRICE EMILY		Sasanqua	Profuse, medium sized, informal double flowers of creamy white. Outer petals tinted lavender. Mid season blooms. 2m x 1.5m.

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BLACK LACE	80GB		A beautiful, evergreen shrub bearing double, formal-looking, rich red blooms that stand out against the glossy, dark green foliage. Flowers throughout Spring. May be grown in either full sun or semi-shade where soils are suitably moist, rich in humus, slightly acidic and free-draining. Grows to about 2.5m x 1.5m.
BOB HOPE		Japonica	Big, deep red, semi-double blooms with bright yellow stamens, set against lustrous, dark green foliage. A moderate growth rate, forms a large rounded shrub. Camellias are versatile evergreen plants, suitable for both traditional and modern garden design.
BOBS TINSIE		Japonica	Brilliant red miniature. Small anemone form with a dense centre of shiny red narrow petals. Medium, compact upright growth. Mid season. 2m x 1.5m.
BRUSHFIELDS YELLOW	79GB	Japonica	Flowers are a pale creamy colour with yellow centres. First flowers may be pink. Bushy, medium, upright growth. An ideal variety for pots. 2m x 1.5m.
BUTTONS & BOWS	18GB	Hybrid	Perfectly shaped, formal double flowers. Outer petals are a deep pink shading to almost white on the inner petals that are attractively curved and fluted. A strong compact grower. Perfect for a pot. 1.5m x 1m.
CINNAMON CINDY	51GB	Hybrid	Fragrant. Miniature white peony form, edges tipped pink, which appear in clusters. Slender upright growth. Mass bloomer. Mid to late season. 3m x 1.5m.
CONGRATULATIONS		Reticulata	NZ breeders. Pale orchid-pink, formal flowers with unique wavy petals that are thick and textured dress the bush from mid-winter through to mid spring. Self-grooming. 2.5m x 2m.
CORNISH SNOW	46GB	Hybrid	Pink flushed buds open to white. Single, mid to late season. An erect grower that blooms prolifically. Has an unusual charm & gracefulness. 2m x 1.5m.
CRIMSON KING	98GB	Sasanqua	Early season. Mahogany red flowers with yellow stamens. Small single flowers, compact habit. Excellent for hedges. 1.5 x 1m.
CRIMSON TIDE	15GB	Sasanqua Hybrid	Large deep crimson red flowers, semi double with ruffled petals. Grows into a dense bush. 1.2m x 90cm.
CURLY LADY	6GB	Japonica	Beautiful spirally twisting lateral branches make this a great feature for the garden. Grows with an upright & outwardly spreading habit.
DEBBIE	45GB	Japonica Hybrid	Early-mid season. Bright pink to deep cyclamen, informal double blooms hold on well to the plant. A prolific flowerer over a long period. Upright habit.
DEBUTANTE		Japonica	A medium sized peony bloom of clear, light pink appears early to mid-season on a bush of light green foliage. 2.2m x 2m.
DESIRE		Japonica	Vigorous, upright compact bushy habit, with rich green foliage and medium, large, formal double, pale pink showy or ivory-white flowers. Mid-season. 2.5m x 1.5m.
DIXIE KNIGHT		Japonica	Rich, deep vibrant red, large, peony form with four or five separate groups of irregular petals and stamens, mid to late season, vigorous erect grower. 2.5m x 2m.
DONATION	2GB	Hybrid	Large semi double blooms of light orchid pink with darker pink veins across the petals. Very free flowering. Bushy and upright growth habit. Suitable for hedging and espaliering. Mid season. 2.5m x 2m.
DR CLIFORD PARKS	9GB	Reticulata	Bold, bright and beautiful. Large, semi-double scarlet blooms that will brighten up any garden through dull winter months. Attractive large serrated green foliage. Very hardy and vigorous. 3m x 2.5m.

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DREAM BOAT	24GB	Hybrid	Medium sized, formal double blooms. Bright pink with a flush of lavender. Pendula growth habit, suitable for hedging and espaliering. Mid season. 2.5m x 2m.
E.G WATERHOUSE	12GB	Hybrid	Medium sized, formal double blooms of fuchsia pink. Compact slender growth. Very free flowering early spring. Suitable for hedging. Mid to late season. 2.5m x 1.5m.
ELEGAN'S CHAMPAGNE	17GB	Japonica	This is a stunning Camellia with very large creamy white blooms that are semi-double. The centre of the flower looks like whipped cream offset by soft wavy outer petals. Attractive serrated foliage.
EARLY PEARLY	56GB	Sasanqua	A top performing Camellia that flowers from early Autumn through to early Winter. The blooms are double white, with just a hint of blush pink on the outer edges. Upright vigorous habit. Happiest in semi shade. Evergreen. Grows: 2m x 1.5m.
ELEGANS SPLENDOUR	20GB	Japonica	The magnificent light pink large anemone flowers with ruffled petals certainly do look splendid when they start flowering in winter. Quite a show off. Happiest in morning sun or semi-shade.
FAIRY BLUSH	58GB	Hybrid	Small free flowering, single blooms of pale pink, with deeper shades at the edges. Fragrant. Dense upright growth. Long flowering. Mid to late season. 1.8m x 1m.
FAIRY WAND		Hybrid	Miniature crimson red semi-double. Strong upright bushy growth. Fast growing. Flowers mid-season. 2m x 1.5m.
FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS		Hybrid	Bred in NZ. Upright growth habit and dainty glossy green foliage. The 'lights' are miniature, single, pastel pink blooms adorning the shrub in winter-spring. 2m x 1.5m.
FIRE FALLS		Japonica	Medium, large, glowing red colours, on a peony form bloom. Mid season blooms.
FOX'S FANCY		Hybrid	Large double deep red flowers with creped petals. Flowers winter into spring. Full sun or semi-shade. Evergreen 2ms
FREEDOM BELL		Hybrid	Small bright red blooms appear early to mid season. Compact, upright vigorous growth.
GAYE BABY	11GB	Hybrid	A delightful little Camellia that is smothered with small deep lavender pink blooms that are semi-double. Golden stamens add to the overall effect. The new spring growth is an attractive bronze shade gradually maturing to green. Upright growth habit. 2m x 1.5m.
GAYE BORDER	8GB	Sasanqua	White flowers that are heavily shaded deep pink and semi double in form. Flowers from early autumn. Perfect for a quick growing hedge. Happiest in morning sun or semi-shade. 2m x 1.5m.
GAYE SUE	25GB	Sasanqua	Vigorous, upright, evergreen shrub, valued for luxuriant rich green foliage and pure white scented flowers with a yellowish anemone-form centre. 2m x 1.5m.
GUILLIO NUCCIO		Japonica	Large, irregular, semi double blooms of a rich coral rose shade, almost red, with a velvety texture. Vigorous bushy growth habit. Free flowering. Early to mid season.
GWENNETH MOREY	35GB	Japonica	A compact bushy upright evergreen shrub. Anemone form with white outer petals and deep cream petaloid stamens. Prefers sheltered spot, sunny or shade. Grows 2m.
HIRYU (syn KANJIRO)	28GB	Sasanqua	Bright cerise semi-double blooms with a slightly paler centre appearing in abundance in autumn. A bush in full bloom simply glows. Easy to grow, best in morning sun or semi-shade. Evergreen. Excellent feature plant, hedge, mixed border, screening, wind break or topiary. Grows 2m x 1.5m.
ITTY BIT		Hybrid Miniature	A Felix Jury hybrid, a cross between saluenensis x Tiny Princess. A gem of a plant, a true miniature. Extremely floriferous with miniature lavender pink flowers in anemone form. A slow spreading habit, ideal for rock gardens, patio, bonsai. 1m x 50cm.

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JENNIFER SUSAN	21GB	Sasanqua	Loose informal, semi double, soft pink blooms. Outer petals are waved. Strong bushy growth, suitable for espaliering. Early season blooms. 3m x 3m.
JURYS YELLOW	29GB	Hybrid	White with creamy yellow petaloides medium sized anemone form. Medium compact upright grower. Long flowering season. Early to late season. 2.5m x 2m.
K SAWADA	8GB	Japonica Hybrid	Mid-season. Large white formal double flowers. Upright habit. Best in partial shade. 2.5 x 2.0m.
KANJIRO (syn HIRYU)	28GB		Refer to the description in Hiryu
KATE SHEPHARD		Japonica	An early spring flowering white camellia, released to celebrate the 100 year anniversary of women gaining the vote in NZ.
KITTY	5CA	Japonica	A delightful Camellia with miniature, formal, double white luminous blooms that are touched with pink on the edges. Very sweet and very free flowering in spring. Perfect for a pot. 2m x 1m.
KOTO NO KAORI	40GB	Hybrid	Simple but sweet single rose-pink blooms with prominent yellow stamens are borne in profusion along attractively arching branches. The blooms are very fragrant blooms and appear autumn to winter. Small rounded bright green leaves. 2m x 1.5m.
KRAMERS SUPREME	15GB	Japonica	Large glowing red blooms that are full, fancy and fragrant. Blooms from winter to spring and sit against lush green foliage. 2.5m x 2m.
LEMON DROP	2CA	Japonica Hybrid	White blooms with a fresh lemon, white centre, of a miniature double form. (Anemone). Deep green foliage. Superb feature specimen. Mid season. Compact grower. 2m x 1.5m.
LILY PONS		Japonica	White single to double flowers that bloom against glossy dark green leaves. This Camellia has an upright, open form and is suitable for general garden borders, specimen, or large containers. Hardy. 2.5m x 2m
LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD		Japonica	Formal, small double flowers of a bright crimson. Upright & compact grower.
MANSIZE	18GB	Japonica	Not sure how this Camellia got it's name as the pure white anemone blooms are quite small and dainty. One to ponder as you admire the flowers that appear from mid winter to spring. Good upright growth habit.
MARGE MILLER	48GB	Sasanqua Groundcover/Weeper	This new prostrate form is the first ever sasanqua that can be used as a ground cover, even weeping over walls. Displays an abundance of breathtaking double pink flowers. Grows 50cm x 100cm.
MARK ALAN	58GB	Japonica	Large semi-double wine red blooms. Compact, upright bush. Strong bushy growth habit. Free flowering. Excellent performer. Early to mid season blooms. 2.5m x 2m.
MAROON & GOLD		Japonica	Informal double with loose form flowers. Deep maroon red with golden stamens. Vigorous, compact, upright growth. Flowering mid-June to mid-September. 2.5m x 1.5m.
MIDNIGHT	25GB	Japonica	If you like red then this is the one for you. Black-red buds open to crimson, large, semi-double blooms with gorgeous golden stamens. Glossy dark foliage. Happiest in semi-shade in the garden or a favourite container. 2m x 1.5m.
MOONLIGHT <i>Also known as MINE-NO-YUKI</i>	78GB	Sasanqua	Medium sized. Cream-white fragrant semi-double flowers. Mid season. This is one of the most popular white sasanqua camellias as it has medium sized, semi double blooms that look like white roses. Dark green, smallish foliage is another feature. It may be topiaried to

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			standards or clipped to a shrub. Early season flowering and a smaller grower. 2m x 1.5m.
MOONLIGHT MAGIC		Hybrid	Really lovely large semi-double blooms open from fat buds, winter-spring. The blooms have a slightly ruffled look and are highlighted by golden stamens. Handsome foliage and a nice compact habit. Plant in a semi-shaded spot in the garden or perhaps a container? 1m x 1m.
MOSHIO (Flame)	25GB	Japonica	Mid-season. The flowers are medium, bright red, semi double, hose-in-hose form. Upright growth. A very nice specimen for tubs or containers. 2.5m x 2.0m.
MYSTIQUE		Reticulata	This mysterious newcomer to the Camellia family is hard to describe. It has medium to large, formal to informal, double, bright cerise pink blooms. The shrub has a strong upright growth habit. Certainly worth getting to know and adding an air of mystique to the garden. Happiest with morning sun or part shade. Grows 1.8m.
NAVAJO		Sasanqua	White petals with red margins. Masses single medium sized early season blooms. 3m x 1.5m.
NICKY CRISP	99GB	Hybrid	Small pale lavender pink semi-double blooms. Slow dense bushy growth habit. Outstanding plant with simple high quality flowers Makes a good compact hedge. Early to late season. 1.5m x 1m.
NIGHT RIDER	17GB	Hybrid	Small, semi double blooms of a gorgeous shiny purple red. Slow compact upright growth habit. Unusual dark bronze new growth. Very different and good in a container or low hedge. Late to very late season. 2.5m x 2m.
NUCCIOS GEM		Japonica	Pure white, medium to large, formal double, early to mid season, slow bushy growth. 2m x 1.5m.
NUCCIOS JEWEL		Japonica	Luxuriant rich green foliage and peony-form, white flowers with pink edges to the petals. The light pink petals with hints of salmon in the centre are surrounded by orchid pink edges. Very tolerant of pruning when flowering is finished. Compact, great for pots. 2m x 1.5m.
NUCCIOS PEARL		Japonica	Nuccio's Pearl was a chance seedling that originated at Nuccio's Nurseries in California. The blush white, formal double flowers with pink outer petals. Grows to approx 2m.

PARADISE SANSANQUA CAMELLIAS. Bob Cherry has been breeding superior Camellias since the late 70's and he has selected just a few for as being good enough to wear the 'Paradise Label'. These will show longer flowering, improved harsh weather tolerance, stronger flowers, better perfume, improved growth habits, new colours & improved sun tolerance!

PARADISE BABY JANE		Sasanqua	Flowers are small semi-double white edged with bright pink. The flower centre is a mixture of stamens and petaloids. Grows 10cm per year making it ideal for very low hedges or pot specimens, also suit to bonsai
PARADISE BELINDA		Sasanqua	An outstanding producer of large brilliant glowing pink flowers with a stunning flower centre which is a combination of stamens, petaloids, and small petals. A dense and compact habit with glossy dark green leaves, providing an ideal contrast to the vibrant flowers. An ideal hedging specimen growing naturally to 2-3 metres.
PARADISE BLUSH	11GB	Sasanqua	A landscapers dream: neat, upright, slender and quick growing. Flowers are medium in size, semi-double with deep pink buds, opening to almost white with a pink reverse on the outer petals. Masses of

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			flowers against dark shiny green leaves, it is excellent as a hedging or screen plant, and also suitable as an attractive tub or garden specimen. Unpruned, it will reach 3-4 metres. 3m x 3m.
PARADISE GILLIAN	57GB	Sasanqua	Produces delicate semi-double, with the occasional formal double blooms, white faintly edged with soft pink against a background of shiny green foliage. Vigorous and upright in habit, suitable for a medium hedge.
PARADISE GLOW	44GB	Sasanqua	Similar but improved version of 'Plantation Pink'. Flowers are a large deep glowing pink, single with a centre of bright yellow stamens set against dark glossy green leaves. This variety has an upright, slightly open habit.
PARADISE HELEN	14GB	Sasanqua	A free flowering sasanqua with an elegant upright growth habit. Masses of brilliant pink buds are produced which open white with delicate soft pink shading. Flowers are medium in size, informal double with golden yellow stamens mixed with small petals and petaloids. Flowering over a long period, it is quick growing to around 3 metres, making an excellent screen or garden specimen. 2.5m x 2.5m.
PARADISE HILDA	107GB	Sasanqua	A vigorous upright grower, producing medium-sized mid-pink flowers in the form of an open peony. This plant flowers early in the season and continues over a long period. A quick growing variety, making it very suitable for hedges and screens, at a maximum of 2-3 metres.
PARADISE JOAN		Sasanqua	Produces very showy large red loose informal double flowers with a centre of golden stamens. Starts with an open habit which becomes dense with age and has a long flowering period. This sasanqua is a worthy asset to any winter garden. Ideal to espalier, and if not trained or pruned will grow to 3-4 metres.
PARADISE LITTLE LIANE	36GB	Sasanqua	A small-leafed, compact autumn flowering camellia growing to around a metre tall. Flowers are small white with a faint pink margin and a loose informal peony form. The centre is a mixture of stamens, petaloids and small petals. This sasanqua was specially selected because of its dense compact flowering habit, making it suitable for low hedges and topiary. One of the earliest varieties in the Paradise range. 2m x 2.5m.
PARADISE PEARL	5GB	Sasanqua	Flowers in profusion over a long period. Flowers are large, mostly semi-double with occasional formal double blooms. Flower buds are pink opening to white. Growth habit is upright and compact with dark glossy green leaves. 3m x 2m.
PARADISE PETITE		Sasanqua	One of the first of the Paradise range of dwarf sasanquas. Flowers are small, soft pink in the form of a loose informal peony. The flower centre is composed of stamens, petaloids, and small petals which provide a very attractive combination set against small-leafed dark green foliage. A small dense habit, to approx. 1m tall, ideal for clipping into topiary or for small hedges.
PARADISE VANESSA	71Gb	Sasanqua	An outstanding variety with very large brilliant white flowers which have a pink flush on the outer petals and a number of petaloid stamens. A vigorous upright growth habit, around 3-4 metres, makes it ideal as a hedge or screen. Paradise Plants' most popular variety.
PEACH BLOSSOM		Japonica	Medium sized, semi double flower, peach blossom pink, darker in the centre. Mid to late season.

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PLANTATION PINK	13GB	Sasanqua	Medium sized single saucer like flowers in a showy soft pink. Strong upright growth habit. Suitable for hedging or espaliering. Early season. 2.5m x 2m.
PURE SILK	6GB	Sasanqua	A lovely little Camellia with, scented, semi-double blooms. The buds are quite pink but open to silky white blooms with just a hint of pink on the edges. 'Pure Silk' has a strong upright growth habit and whilst it is happy in semi-shade this Camellia can cope with sun. 3m x 2m.
QUINTESSENCE		Hybrid	Miniature pure white with yellow stamens single flowers. Fragrant. Mid to late season. Fragrant. Slow spreading growth habit. Suitable in a pot or as groundcover. Best in some shade. Very popular. 1m x 1m.
RASPBERRY ICE		Japonica Hybrid	Mid-late season. Large semi-double flowers, white dashed red with pink streaks. Fibriated petals. Strong bushy habit. 2.0 x 1.5m.
RED RED ROSE	25GB	Japonica	Large, perfectly-shaped formal double blossoms of stunning geranium-red. A vigorous, attractive plant with glossy foliage. Flowers mid season. on dense upright growth. 3m x 2.5m.
ROGER HALL	29GB	Japonica	A beautiful formal double red. The flowers contrast well against the handsome glossy green foliage. Outstanding performer which will make a strong statement either in the garden or a container. 2.5m x 2m.
ROSE ANN		Japonica	What a beautiful Camellia this is with gorgeous rich red, formal, double blooms that will really brighten up the garden in winter. Glossy green foliage with red tips on new growth. Best in semi-shade but is reasonably tolerant of heat. Quite slow growing. Evergreen. 3m x 2.5m.
SAN DIMAS		Japonica	Medium sized dark red semi double bloom. Compact upright growth habit. Early to late season. 2.5m x 2m.
SCENTED GEM	3CA	Hybrid	An outstanding Camellia for its free flowering habit which lasts from autumn through to late spring. The miniature blooms are bright fuchsia pink with attractive white central petaloides. All of this plus fragrance as well. 1.5m x 1m.
SETSUGEKKA	2075GB	Hybrid	Large white semi-double heavily crimped blooms. Strong bushy upright growth habit. An excellent variety for hedging. Early to late season. 3m x 1.5m.
SILVER DOLLAR	48GB	Sasanqua	White medium informal double. Early to mid season. 2m x 1.5m.
SINENSIS <i>The Chinese Tea Plant</i>	23GB	Species	Tiny white single flowers from late summer. Strong bushy growth habit. Leaves used to make tea. Black (leaves fermented) & green tea (leaves unfermented). Harvest young shoots immediately for optimal freshness. Spring harvest offers finest & tenderest leaves of highest quality. Summer & autumn have more abundant but less delicate crop. 2m.
SIR VICTOR DAVIES		Japonica	Formal double Camellia with blooms that are tones of smokey reddish purple. Lush rich green foliage and an upright habit. Bred in NZ by Les Jury and named to honor one of our most prominent and respected nurserymen. Aluminium can enhance the colour of this camellia. 2m x 1.5m.
SPARKLING BURGUNDY		Sasanqua	Large peony form blooms of a beautiful deep pink, with a distinct purple undertone. Willowy growth habit. Early season blooms.
SPRING FESTIVAL	34GB	Hybrid	Soft pink miniature rose form to semi-double. Vigorous narrow upright growth habit. Makes an excellent narrow hedge. Mid to late season. 2.5m x 1m.
SUGAR & SPICE		Hybrid	Distinctive, fragrant, soft pink flowers with a white edging, deepening throughout the season to dark pink, still with the white edge. Late flower buds may be pure red. Has a vigorous growth habit. 1.8m x 2.2m.

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SWEET EMILY KATE	35GB	Hybrid	Pink small anemone form. Fragrant. Slow bushy semi-weeping growth habit. Mid to late season. Suitable for containers or groundcover. 1m x 1.5m.
SWEET JANE	19GB	Hybrid	Soft pink anemone type blooms smother the plant for months beginning in May. Not only are there terminal blooms, but blooms along the stems also, making for a massive show of flowers ideal for espaliering. Excellent for pot culture or a medium hedge, 2 x 1m.
TAKANINI	36GB	Japonica	Bred in NZ by well-known Camellia enthusiast Neville Haydon. Magnificent rich red flowers, turning blueish as they mature. The blooms are double with a tight frilly centre and appear from early winter through to late spring. 2.5m x 2m.
TANYA	40GB	Sasanqua	Dwarf grower. Flowers are deep rose pink and single. Vigorous dense growth habit. Very long flowering season. Ideal for hedging and groundcover. Early season.
TINSIE		Japonica	A miniature japonica cultivar dating from around 1719. Despite the small flower it can become quite a large bush with an erect habit.
TINY PRINCESS		Hybrid Mini	Delicate pale pink blooms with white shadings smother graceful grey green foliage from winter through to the end of spring. The flowers are semi-double and miniature. In bloom the whole effect is very pretty and soft.
TRANSNOKOENSIS	51GB	Species	A very pretty Camellia with dainty leaves and a graceful upright habit. The white flowers open from tight deep pink buds and have a hint of fragrance. Ideal for screening or hedges, very popular and deservedly so. 5m x 2m.
TRANSNOKENSIS PINK			See above
TRANSTASMAN		Hybrid	Bred from the popular species C. Transnokoensis, 'Transtasman' has masses of tiny, single flowers that open from tight pink buds. The flowers have tones of pale pink to white. Useful for upright columnar habit. 2m x 1.5m.
TSAIL		Species	The tea camellia. Scented white flowers with prominent stigma. 2.5m x 2m.
TWINKLE STAR		Japonica	Deep glowing crimson overlaid with a glitter effect, medium, formal double to rose form, mid season, upright bushy habit. 2.5m x 2m.
VALENTINE DAY		Reticulata Hybrid	This is an outstanding, award-winning hybrid that has very large salmon pink double flowers that appear from mid winter through to mid spring. Very attractive and a strong grower. 3.5m x 3m.
VOLCANO	13GB	Japonica	Scarlet large anemone form with very long narrow petals. Strong upright growth habit. Early to late season. 3m x 2m.
WATERLILY		Hybrid	Large formal double flowers. Porcelain pink blooms. Vigorous upright growth habit. Early to late season. 2m x 1.5m.
WILDFIRE		Japonica	Produces stunning semi-double, orange-red flowers emerging in autumn and through into winter. Has a vigorous, upright growth habit and is quite often grown to create hedges and screens. may also be used as a specimen shrub. 2mx 1.5m.
WILAMINA		Japonica	Medium sized formal double bloom, with soft pink petals. Mid season. A small growing dense bush/tree. Prolific flowerer with spectacularly beautiful blooms. 2m x 1.5m.
WIRLINGA BRIDGE		Hybrid	An exceptionally graceful Camellia with myriads of dainty white, fragrant flowers on pendulous branches. Sensational in a container or trained against a wall or fence. 1.8m x .8m.

YULETIDE	42GB	Sasanqua	Medium single flowers. Perfectly regular shape coloured a glowing red, with orange overtones, and bright yellow stamens. Erect compact growth habit. Good for smaller growing hedge. Early to mid season. 2.5m x 2m.
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INFORMATION & ADVICE FOR GROWING CAMELLIAS

Camellia Types: There are four main camellia groups:

Japonica – Japonica’s are particularly hardy with handsome foliage and if well maintained can provide blooms for up to 6 months of the year. Flower sizes vary from miniatures under 5cm across up to the magnificent 20cm semi-doubles. Although most varieties originate from Japan - Japonicas can also be found in Korea and China. In Asia, Japonicas have been cultivated for their ornamental value for over 300 years. The Western world embraced and continued this cultivation from the 19th century onwards starting with chosen seedlings. Their popularity is such that there are now literally thousands to choose from.

Reticulata – The largest flowered and most spectacular with some blooms attaining a width of 24cm. The introduction of numerous hybrids now means some commence their blooming as early as May. Originally from China where they have been valued for centuries, Reticulatas are a relatively recent part of Western horticultural history. They have quite an upright growth habit and an open framework of branches and foliage. The leaves are very large, glossy and leathery.

Sasanqua – Pronounced ‘Sa-sang-kwa’. Extremely hardy and noted for their free-blooming habits, reliability and early flowering which extends from late February to August. Very versatile, ideal for specimens, screens, ground or bank cover, espaliers or containers.

Originating in Japan these Camellias are known as the "Autumn Camellia" as they start flowering from as early as March. The flowers are usually quite small, often single and produced in such profusion it is sometimes difficult to see the foliage. Many have a soft delicate fragrance. The leaves are small, dainty and quite pointed. When the new foliage emerges towards spring it is quite soft and sensual with warm bronzy tones, which eventually mature to the more familiar glossy dark green. Despite the beauty of the flowers it is the foliage which provides the versatility so loved by landscape designers and gardeners all over the world.

Hybrid – Camellia hybrids are particular combinations offering the very best attributes of Camellia japonica, sasanqua and reticulata. They provide the modern gardener with exquisite flower, form, foliage and often a hint of fragrance.

Many new releases in the Camellia world are hybrids, some of which have been bred right here in New Zealand. We currently have 50 Camellia hybrids to choose from. They range from "Quintessence" which has a low, spreading habit, making it ideal for pots and baskets to the showy upright "Dreamboat" that has large, gay, frilly double blooms of brightest pink and just about every variance in-between.

Species - Species Camellias remain true to their origins as their essential qualities are the same today as they were when the plants first evolved. In their natural habitat they form part of the under-canopy of large forests. For centuries the seeds of species Camellias have been harvested to produce cosmetic and culinary oil. The wood has been used for fuel as it makes a high grade charcoal and, of course Camellia sinensis was and still is used to make the drink that I personally can't function without: TEA!

In the garden, Species Camellias offer you an incredibly hardy plant with graceful foliage, dainty blooms which are almost always fragrant and a growth structure which is very natural. They make excellent small evergreen trees when left to their own devices; equally they adapt well to any creative trimming you may wish to do.

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Training: Besides their normal bushy habit many camellias are suitable subjects for training. The most common forms are the standard and the espalier.

Standards can be created in two ways. The easiest is to select a young plant with a single straight stem and simply remove the lower foliage and any side shoots as they appear. Stake the main stem as it grows and once it has reached the desired height nip out the tip growth to induce the branching that will eventually form the head.

The process can be speeded up by grafting but the mechanics are not as simple. Select a vigorous upright plant that will rapidly produce the standard trunk and graft your selected cultivar onto it at the desired height. Cleft grafts are the preferred method for camellias but I have found side wedge grafts to be successful. Grafting is the only practical way to produce a weeping standard.

Espaliering is just a matter of selecting an appropriate plant and having the patience to wait long enough to see the results. There are several methods of training the branches to achieve the best coverage but most camellias with thin pliable stems (primarily Sasanquas) can be espaliered with little effort. Remember though, camellias are not natural climbers; espaliers need to be secured to the structure against which they are growing.

Special Forms: Camellias can make effective hedges, either tightly clipped or grown informally. As might be expected of a genus that contains the tea plant camellias can withstand frequent trimming when actively growing. Some camellias are suitable for use as ground covers but usually only while they are young. In time all but the most prostrate forms will develop into mounding bushes rather than true ground covers. Pegging the branches down as the plants grow is the only way to ensure this doesn't happen.

Camellias in containers: Camellias adapt well to container growing but they are quick to show signs of nutrient deficiencies. Nothing looks less appealing than a badly chlorotic camellia in a tiny pot. However, with regular fertilising and the right sized containers camellias will thrive and bloom heavily in pots. We recommend ican 24-Plus Slow Food for container plants.

As with all container plants, remember that their roots are far less insulated from the elements than those of plants in the open ground. Make sure containerised camellias get regular water in summer and in cold winter areas move the containers to sheltered positions for winter to avoid having the soil freeze solid.

Flower forms: Camellias are available in several different flower forms. The descriptions in this book are kept as simple as possible but occasionally the technical terms must be used. The terms single, semi-double and double are familiar and fairly self-explanatory but most of the following terms are peculiar to camellia cultivation.

Anemone

A style with large outer petals and massed small central petaloids.

Peony (peony) and informal double

Large outer petals and smaller loosely clustered central petals and petaloids. The more fully petalled flowers are known as full peony form.

Rose form double

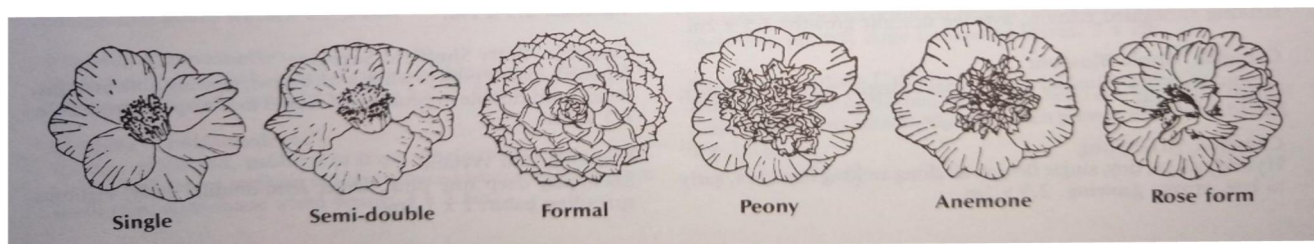
A double flower that opens fully to reveal the stamens, like a fully blown rose.

Formal double

This flower type has perfectly arranged concentric circles of neatly overlapping petals. Some have the petals in a very clearly defined spiral pattern.

There are also rules governing the terms used to describe the size of flowers but as most non-specialist gardeners find these to be more confusing than useful they have not been strictly adhered to.

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Cultivation: Often associated with rhododendrons & azaleas and although they're not that closely related, they certainly prefer similar conditions – they come from similar climates and can often be found growing together in the wild. They're generally less tolerant of extreme cold than the hardiest rhododendrons but they're not 'fussy' plants. Most species and hybrids are hardy throughout the country, needing no protection except perhaps in very cold winter areas, and the summers here are not usually hot and dry enough to cause much damage.

To get the best out of your camellias it is important that you follow the same soil preparation methods as recommended for rhododendrons. Camellias have stronger and deeper roots but still require the same moist, humus filled, loose, well-oxygenated topsoil if they are to thrive. Likewise regular mulching is always beneficial. Camellias prefer a neutral to acid soil and will not tolerate the extreme acidity that most rhododendrons will. On highly acid soils the addition of small amounts of dolomite lime will not only increase the pH but will allow easier uptake of nutrients.

Once established most camellias seem to get by quite well without too much attention but they are subject to the same chlorosis problems as rhododendrons so occasional supplementary feeding is recommended. Containerised camellias should be fed regularly as they are far more subject to deficiencies due to their limited root spread.

Camellias do best in sheltered positions in light shade or where they get only morning sun. This is not so much for the plant's sake as the flowers'. The plants will tolerate exposed sunny sites but the flowers won't. Too dense shade will promote lank growth and reduce flowering. Too sunny and the flowers will burn and drop prematurely. A site that is exposed to strong winds will dramatically shorten the life of any flowers but especially camellias.

Disbudding: Many camellias set large quantities of flower buds that often result in densely crowded small bloom. Thinning out the more densely packed and weaker flower buds will produce larger blooms of better shape. Occasionally a camellia cultivar fails to perform well on its own roots. In which case grafting onto a more vigorous stock may be necessary. Standard camellias are nearly always produced by grafting rather than simply training a standard stem.

Pests and Diseases: Camellias are relatively disease free but you may occasionally encounter one of the following problems. A preventative spray with Grosafe Enspray 99 and Grosafe FreeFlo Copper will help keep many situations at bay. Some to watch out for are:

- **Viral diseases**

These are quite common among camellias; in fact, viruses are sometimes deliberately introduced to obtain variegated flowers and foliage. The most common virus shows up as a bright yellow leaf margin. This is known as virus induced variegation. In minor cases it does little harm but it can weaken a plant by reducing the amount of available chlorophyll. Virus diseases cannot be cured once infected the plant remains infected.

- **Phytophthora root rot**

This disease affects many types of plants, particularly those that prefer acid woodland conditions. This fungus disease kills the plant's roots, which leads to the characteristic wilted appearance and ultimately death. Generally the symptoms are not obvious until too late. Prevention through ensuring that the soil is well drained is the best method. Plants can sometimes be saved by washing off the soil, removing the dead roots, drenching with fungicide then replanting in a well-drained position but it's seldom worth the effort.

- **Leaf gall**

A fungal disease similar to that seen on evergreen azaleas occasionally occurs on camellias. It causes a thickening and distorting of the leaves, which is eventually become white with fungal spores. Remove any affected leaves and spray the plant with a fungicide. Do not allow affected leaves to drop near the plant.

- **Petal blight**

This fungal disease causes the flowers to degenerate to watery mush and can damage much of the crop. Control with fungicides prior to bud break and remove any fallen petals from around infected bushes.

- **Die-back**

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This can be a serious, even fatal, problem. The foliage of young branches wilts and browns then the stem begins to die back from the tip. A canker develops that eventually ring barks the stem causing its death. If the cankers spread to the main stems the plant may die. Treatment with fungicides will help but is not entirely successful. Overcrowding, poor drainage and poor ventilation can all contribute to this problem as well as making the spread of the disease easier.

- Camellias are generally not attacked by any particularly unusual insect pests, just the run of the mill, aphids, scale, caterpillars, leaf rollers and thrips. The usual control measures are effective on camellias too.