

# Lily Varieties Event, HDC Greenmount, 30th June 2015

## **Asiatic Lily**







Brunello Navona Serengeti

During the Cut Flower KTT event on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at Greenmount Campus a lily assessment was performed by attendees. Lilies were grouped by colour rather than type. Attendees scored each of the 12 varieties from 1-10 under the following characteristics:

- Flower Colour
- Flower Size
- No. of Buds
- Bud Position
- Foliage Quality
- Stem Quality

All three Asiatic varieties were rated as good in the lily assessment with 'Brunello' and 'Navona' scoring slightly higher than 'Serengeti'.

### **Asiatic Varieties Information**

Variety	Colour	2015 Planting Dates (HDC)	Growing Days (Supplier guideline)	Bulb Size	Bud Count	Stem Length	Supplier
Brunello	Orange	2/3 24/3 20/4	80-90	16/18	8-10	80-90cm stem	Nord Lommerse
Navona	White	2/3 24/3 20/4	90-100	18/20	10-12	90-100cm	Nord Lommerse
Serengeti	Dark Red	2/3 24/3 20/4	90-100	18/20	5-7	140-150cm	Nord Lommerse









**Ercolano** 

In the lily assessment 'Advantage' was rated very highly with 'Ercolano' also popular - receiving a very good rating. Bulbs of both varieties were in the lower price range to purchase which suggests an opportunity for a good return on investment for growers.

'Fangio' received the lowest score of the 12 varieties assessed.



**Fangio** 

## **LA Varieties Information**

Variety	Colour	2015 Planting Dates (HDC)	Growing Days (Supplier guideline)	Bulb Size	Bud Count	Stem Length	Supplier
Advantage	Light Orange	2/3 24/3 20/4	90-100	18/20	5-7	120-130cm	Nord Lommerse
Ercolano	Cream	2/3 24/3 20/4	80-90	16/18	4-6	90-100cm	Nord Lommerse
Fangio	Red	2/3 24/3 20/4	80-90	18/20	5-7	120-130cm	Nord Lommerse





**Oriental lily Pink Saffire** 

The lily assessment rated both 'Pink Saffire' and 'Cobra' as excellent. 'Pink Saffire' was the first Oriental lily to be harvested at the HDC Greenmount this year, followed closely by 'Cobra'. Followed by 'White Balloons' with 'Lake Michigan', 'Best Regards' and 'Arletta' requiring a longer growing time. The variety 'Best Regards' is a pollen less variety which gives it a unique selling point. Bulbs of Oriental varieties are often in the higher price range to purchase.

#### **Oriental Varieties Information**

Variety	Colour	2015 Planting Dates (HDC)	Average No. of Growing Days	Bulb Size	Bud Count	Stem Length	Supplier
Arletta*	White	2/3 24/3 20/4	110-120	18/20	6-8	100-125cm	Nord Lommerse
Best Regards*	Pink	12/3	100-110	18/20	6-8	90-100cm	GAV
Cobra	Red	2/3 24/3 20/4	100-110	16/18	3-5	70-80cm	Nord Lommerse
Lake Michigan*	Light Pink	2/3 24/3 20/4	110-120	18/20	8-10	100 -110cm	Nord Lommerse
Pink Saffire	Pink	24/2	100-110	18/20	5-7	110-120cm	GAV
White Balloons*	White	24/2	110-120	18/20	4-6	110-120cm	GAV

<sup>\*</sup>Not included in the lily assessment on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015







**OT Lily Zambesi** 

**OT Lily Carbonero** 







**OT Lily Donato** 

Both Zambesi and Carbonero were rated as excellent by attendees. Carbonero is a scented lily with large flowers which attracted a high level of interest. Donato is very similar in appearance.

#### **OT Varieties Information**

Variety	Colour	2015 Planting Dates (HDC)	Average No. of Growing Days	Bulb Size	Bud Count	Stem Length	Supplier
Carbonero	Dark Pink	12/3	100	18/20	3-5	120cm	GAV
Donato	Dark Pink	2/3 24/3 20/4	90-100	18/20	5-6	130-140cm	Nord Lommerse
Saltarello	Orange	2/3 24/3 20/4	110-120	18/20	5-7	90-100cm	Nord Lommerse
Zambesi	White	2/3 24/3 20/4	90-100	18/20	5-6	110-120cm	Nord Lommerse