



Delphinium AGMs 2017

Plants that perform

All AGM delphiniums are RHS hardiness rating **H5** (hardy: cold winter -15C to -10C). Figures to the left of names give the year of the award.

01 'Atholl'

Good white flower spikes with an attractive black eye

93 'Blue Dawn'

Flowers pale blue, tinged with light purple, with dark brown eyes

93 'Blue Nile'

Erect racemes of white-eyed, mid-blue flowers

93 'Bruce'

Rich violet-purple flowers, paler towards the centre, with buff eyes

99 'Can-can'

Outer sepals white heavily flushed with blue, inner sepals violet with blue margins; eyeless. A good garden plant with many secondary spikes

08 'Centurion Sky Blue'

Very floriferous, with narrow, tapering spikes. Flowers light purplish blue; eye white and splashed with blue. Excellent mildew resistance

01 'Cherub'

Pale pink and mauve with cream eye

99 'Clifford Sky'

Outer and inner sepals blue, eye white. Late-flowering

93 'Conspicuous'

Light blue-mauve flowers, with brown eyes

08 × *cultorum* 'Rosy Future'

Flowers held loosely on long stalks. Rosy pink-mauve sepals, eye white. Very uniform in height and structure

08 × *elatum* 'Sweethearts'

Sepals light mauve-pink; eye white and splashed with deeper mauve. Very mildew-resistant

07 'Elisabeth Sahin'

White petals flushed very pale yellow, eye white with very pale yellow hairs. Stands up well to heavy rain

00 'Elizabeth Cook'

Outer and inner sepals white; eye white. A good garden plant for cuttings and propagating; stands up well

93 'Emily Hawkins'

Light lilac-mauve flowers, with pale brown eyes

93 'Faust'

Erect racemes of dark-eyed, deep blue-purple flowers

93 'Fenella'

Dark-eyed, violet-tinged, deep blue flowers

08 'Foxhill Nina'

Clean fresh pink-purple florets with white eye. Holds flower well and good floret form. Good mildew resistance

02 'Galileo'

Flowers closely spaced, with many side spikes; outer sepals violet-blue, inner sepals purple, eye brownish black. A good weather-resistant garden plant with nicely positioned, well-formed florets

Photos, from top: *Delphinium* 'Galileo' (RHS / Wendy Wesley); 'Rosemary Brock'; 'Elisabeth Sahin' (both RHS / Ali Cundy).



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07 'Holly Cookland Wilkins'

Lovely soft lilac flowers with black eye; plenty of flowering stems with a good amount of laterals

06 'Jill Curley'

Tall, free-flowering white delphinium with creamy white eye, excellent for the back of the borders; lasts well

07 'Kennington Classic'

Flowers cream, with cream eye; flowers a little later in the season and stands up well to rain

06 'Kestrel'

Flowers very early, in a magnificent display of vibrant cobalt-turquoise flowers with soft dark hairy centres

04 'Langdon's Blue Lagoon'

Flowers blue; eye white with some blue specks

03 'Langdon's Pandora'

Tall with bright mid-blue flowers and eye striped black and blue

95 'Lilian Bassett'

Erect spikes of pure white, dark brown-eyed flowers

93 'Lord Butler'

Light blue flowers with white eyes in dense racemes

01 'Lucia Sahin'

Unusual deep pink colour with brown eye

10 'Margaret'

Neat, sturdy plant, showing healthy growth and good mildew resistance. Attractive florets of deep blue with white eye, lightly streaked with blue

98 'Michael Ayres'

Outer sepals violet-blue, inner purple-violet; eye brownish black

94 'Min'

White flowers, strongly tinged violet at the edges

00 'Olive Poppleton'

Flowers white, with fawn eye; unique colour, with good perenniality

98 'Oliver'

Outer sepals blue, inner violet, eye black

96 'Our Deb'

Outer and inner sepals a translucent silvery grey very lightly flushed with pale red-purple; eye light brown with pale yellow hairs

06 'Purple Velvet'

Flowers close, dark violet-blue, paling towards the centre; eye dark brown with very fine yellow hairs, appearing velvety. Very tall; striking rich purple columnar blooms are an unusual colour for the back of the border

13 'Raymond Lister'

Mid-blue, with brown eye. Tapering spikes, with plenty of strong laterals

93 'Rosemary Brock'

Dusky purplish pink flowers with a dark brown eye

93 'Spindrift'

Flowers lilac with pale blue and sometimes green tinges; white eye

93 'Sungleam'

Creamy white flowers, strongly tinged yellow, with yellow eyes

00 'Sunkissed'

Flowers cream with yellow eye. Foliage better than other cream-coloured delphiniums

93 'Tiddles'

Racemes of greyish mauve flowers

96 'Walton Gemstone'

Flowers white slightly tinged with violet; eye white

The AGM criteria

Intended as a practical guide for the gardener, the AGM is awarded only to plants that are:

- excellent for ordinary use in appropriate conditions
- available
- of good constitution
- essentially stable in form and colour
- reasonably resistant to pests and diseases

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