

AVSA's Best Varieties List for 2020

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The votes are in, and we have the list of the 25 best African violet varieties for 2020. Any African violet grower can participate in voting. This year, we had an excellent response to voting, especially from African violet growers who receive the *AVSA Growing Tips* newsletter. We had more votes come in from nonmembers this year who learned about the voting on AVSA social media sites. Here's hoping that those nonmembers decide to join AVSA.

The Best Varieties List helps growers learn about violet varieties that are easy and enjoyable to grow. Hybridizers with several cultivars on the Best Varieties List probably have plenty of other hybrids that growers will love.

There are always two ways you can choose to vote — by filling out the form available on the AVSA website and mailing it in, or through our online voting system. Voting for favorite 2021 varieties will close June 30, 2021. Watch for more 2021 voting information in future issues of *African Violet Magazine*, *AVSA Growing Tips* and on AVSA social media sites.

1. Buckeye Cranberry Sparkler

•(8745) 07/27/1998 •P. Hancock

•Semidouble bright pink ruffled pansy/variable raspberry fantasy.

•Variegated dark green, cream and pink, plain, glossy/red back. •Large standard (DAVS1624).

2. Ness' Crinkle Blue

•(8136) 01/19/1995 •D. Ness

•Double dark blue star/variable thin white edge.

•Dark green, quilted, serrated/red back.

•Semiminiature.

3. Precious Red

•(9724) 01/15/2007 •H. Pittman

•Semidouble-double dark red pansy.

•Dark green, plain/red back. •Miniature.

4. Jolly Orchid

•(9719) 01/15/2007 •H. Pittman

•Double orchid and white pansy.

•Medium green, plain, quilted.

•Miniature (TX Hyb, DAVS 1661).

5. Picasso

•(6924) 10/04/1988 •M. Tremblay

•Double light blue and white/variable white fantasy.

•Variegated medium green, plain/silver-green back.

•Large standard.

6. Buckeye Seductress

•(9669) 07/13/2006 •P. Hancock

•Double dark lavender star/wide white band, green edge.

•Variegated medium green and cream, plain.

•Large standard (DAVS 1632).

7. Blue Dragon

•(9516) 12/17/2005 •Lyndon Lyon

Greenhouses/P. Sorano

•Double light blue large frilled star/raspberry edge.

•Dark green, plain/red back. •Large standard.

8. Rob's Boolaroo

•(8053) 03/05/1994 •R. Robinson

•Semidouble light pink sticktite pansy/bright blue fantasy.

•Medium green, quilted. •Semiminiature trailer.

9. Rob's Vanilla Trail

•(9296) 11/21/2003 •R. Robinson

•Double cream to blush white pansy.

•Dark green, quilted, serrated, pointed.

•Semiminiature trailer.

10. Buckeye Nostalgia

•(10484) 01/05/2012 •P. Hancock

•Semidouble pale blue ruffled pansy.

•Variegated medium green and cream.

•Standard (DAVS 1753).

11. Frozen In Time

•(9167) 02/03/2003 •Lyndon Lyon

Greenhouses/Sorano

- Single-semidouble white pansy/variable lavender tinge; green edge.
- Variegated light green and ivory, quilted.
- Standard.

12. Jersey Snow Flakes

•(9820) 12/14/2007 •R. Kurzynski

- Single-semidouble white pansy/white sparkle overlay.
- Variegated medium green and white, plain quilted.
- Standard.

13. Powwow

•(7708) 06/15/1992 •K. Stork

- Semidouble red pansy.
- Variegated green and cream, plain. •Standard.

14. Rose Boutique

•(9028) 04/12/2001 •G.T. Smith

- Double pink frilled star/darker eye.
- Variegated medium green, pink and white, plain, quilted. •Standard.

15. The Alps

•(7813) 10/03/1992 •K. Horikoshi/H Sawara

- Single-semidouble chimera white pansy/light blue stripe.
- Medium green, plain, quilted. •Standard.

16. Carolina Elegant Affair

•(10913) 07/31/2017 •L. Abplanalp

- Single-semidouble white ruffled star/pink patches.
- Variegated medium green and white, quilted, wavy.
- Standard.

17. Edge of Darkness

•(10677) 03/19/2014 •Paul Sorano/

Lyndon Lyon Greenhouses

- Semidouble dark purple star/frilled white edge.
- Variegated dark green and ivory, serrated/red back.
- Large standard.

18. Hunter's Kashmir

•(11227) 07/17/2019 •K. Muzalewski

- Semidouble lavender frilled pansy/purple edge.
- Variegated dark green and cream, ruffled.
- Large standard.

19. LE-Karusel'

•(11024) 05/24/2018 •E. Lebetaikaia

- Single white large ruffled star/red patches.
- Variegated medium green and white serrated.
- Standard.

20. Pixie Blue

•(2598) 09/16/1974 •L. Lyon

- Single purple-blue/darker center.
- Plain, ovate. •Miniature trailer.

21. Kentucky Gooseberries

•D. Rollins

- Double white star/light pink blush.
- Medium green, serrated.
- Semiminiature (DAVS 1602).

22. Rebel's Splatter Kake

•(8695) 01/31/1998 •R. Bann

- Single-semidouble pink large fluted star/darker eye, purple fantasy, white-green edge.
- Medium green, spooned, quilted, glossy, serrated/red back. •Large standard.

23. Rob's Chilly Willy

•(9461) 07/30/2005 •R. Robinson

- Double silver-white star/medium blue overlay, edge. •Crown variegated medium green and white, pointed. •Miniature.

24. Rob's Fuddy Duddy

•(7886) 06/02/1993 •R. Robinson

- Semidouble dark mauve-purple sticktite pansy.
- Dark green, quilted. •Semiminiature.

25. Tiger

•(3433) 06/01/1978 •I. Fredette

- Semidouble dark blue-violet.
- Variegated. •Large standard.