

Letters...

Dear Editor

I'm having a difficult time locating plants or seed of *Passiflora lutea*, a yellow-flowered, North American native, passion-flower. The last time I checked, the domestic seed bank no longer had seed available and I can't locate seed or plants from nurseries.

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Can anyone help Vic out? - Ed.



Diagnostic features of *P. lutea*

Dear Editor

I joined Passiflora Society International last year and paid to obtain the newsletter, **Passiflora**, by airmail so that I could receive it early enough to use the seed bank. The latest issues arrived yesterday by surface mail having taken more than three months in transit, too much for my needs.

I'll be very glad if this problem could be solved rapidly.

Dr. Maurizio Vecchia
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Diagnostic features of *P. incarnata*

We're changing printers with this issue so, hopefully, our past mail problems will be cured as well...

Dear Editor

Enclosed are photos and a detailed description of a new *Passiflora incarnata* which I have developed (see article on front page of this issue - Ed.). These plants were originally developed for their potential contribution to a future hardy fruit crop.

The flowers are, in my opinion, of some ornamental value. If you know of anyone that might be interested in obtaining plants or seeds of these, please pass on my address so that I may correspond with them.

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Cultivar Registration

Christian Feuillet

I received the following requests to register cultivar names. The names are not mine and should be credited to the person who request the registration.

Passiflora 'Clara' hybridized and registered by Dr. Maurizio Vecchia (Italy) is the result of the cross *P. incarnata* × *P. caerulea* 'Constance Elliott'. Leaves 3-5-lobed, lobes narrow, scalloped at margin. Peduncles longer than the petioles, sepals awned, green to greenish outside, white inside, petals white. corona filaments of the outer series thin, purple, sinuous at apex, ovary and styles green, stigmas yellow.

Passiflora 'Stella Di Cremona' hybridized and registered by Dr. Maurizio Vecchia (Italy) is the result of the cross *P. violacea* × *P. caerulea* 'Constance Elliott'. Leaves 3-5-lobed, lobes elliptic. Peduncles short, sepals awned, green to greenish with reddish splashes outside, white inside, petals white, sepals and petals blushed with lilac at the margin inside. Corona filaments of the outer series medium in diameter, dark violet at base, white on the upper 2/3, straight all the way. stamen filaments green, ovary greenish white, styles white densely spotted with reddish brown, stigmas green. An article, in Italian, describes the parents and cultivar with color photos: Vecchia, M. - Un ibrido fatto in casa - Il Giardino Fiorito 11: 9. 1997.

Ed. note: For more information about Dr. Vecchia's plants, his collection, and the genus *Passiflora* in general. see his website at www.FOCUS.IT/INIZIAT/HORTUS/PASSIFLORE/ (the site is in Italian but try the site translation offered by Alta Vista at www.ALTAVISTA.DIGITAL.COM) - Phil

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