

Epimediums are an amazing group of spring blooming plants with a great diversity of forms. We have been growing and selling Epimediums for many years. We like it when customers come in for our Epimedium weekend and ask us to introduce them to the reasons why they should grow Epimediums. Most are clump forming perennials, that are easy to grow, and long lived. In late April and Early May the clumps are topped with airy, little flowers that come in an array of colors. Often overlooked is the foliage, which can have exceptional spring colors and is very durable through the season. Some species are deciduous, while others have evergreen foliage.



Epimedium grandiflorum 'Dark Beauty'

Epimedium grandiflorum 'Dark Beauty' is still one of our favorite cultivars. It is one of the first perennials to emerge and bloom in our garden every spring. Featuring dark purple new growth on red stems, makes it an early eye catcher. Soon the two-tone dark rose flowers with white spurs flushed in rose appear adding to the show.

Most *Epimediums* are not variegated so *E. sempervirens* 'Variegated #1' is a standout and a popular variety. Delicate white flowers float over the variegated new growth, which is captured below.



***Epimedium sempervirens* 'Variegated #1' – First Flush of Spring Foliage**



Epimedium sempervirens 'Variegated #1' – A month later in the spring

Pictured below are a few more cultivars captured in our display gardens!



Epimedium x youngianum 'Be My Valentine'



Epimedium grandiflorum 'Yubae' aka 'Rose Queen'



***Epimedium grandiflorum* 'Tama no genpei'**



Epimedium x 'Rigoletto'

Next are some of the most recent introductions . . .



Epimedium x 'Pink Champagne'



Epimedium x 'Domino'



Epimedium sp. nov. 'Simple Beauty'

One last thought on Epimediums is that on September 14th and 15th which are a Friday and Saturday, Karen Perkins of Garden Vision Epimediums will be here. She will be sharing her knowledge of Epimediums and will also be selling many very rare and special Epimediums!