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Leaves & Needles

*Syringa vulgaris* ‘Sensation’

Nothing welcomes the refreshing onset of Spring more than a Lilac in full bloom! The Sensation Lilac (*Syringa vulgaris* ‘Sensation’) is an eye-catching French Hybrid that has deep purple flowers bordered with a distinctive white edge. The captivating fragrance is that of a true lilac and the Sensation’s large, upright trusses of flowers draw a lot of well-deserved attention in May. These unusual blooms are complimented by heart-shaped foliage that is bluish-green and glabrous. Normal pruning should be done after flowering has ceased. However, these zone 3 hardy plants are a wonderful source for armfuls of cut flowers for indoor flower bouquets, and if one removes the flowers as they fade, it will greatly improve the plant’s appearance and contribute to further flower production.



Many consider the Sensation Lilac to be the most wonderful of all the hybrid lilacs for more reasons than just its single, picotee edged flowers. These bi-colored blooms are especially “sensational” when used in shrub borders, informal hedges, and perennial borders. Partly due to its delicate scent, many people use this plant as a screen or border specimen near where people gather. When planted in full sun, the Sensation Lilac’s erect and open branches can grow up to 10’ tall and wide. As long as air circulation is adequately kept around the plant with basic pruning, one will find this eye-catching and disease resistant variety quite easy to care for.

**Lilac Reference Guide**

*Syringa vulgaris* & *Syringa* spp.

Description	Size (H x W)	Bloom color	Bloom Time	Fragrant?	Zone
Charles Joly	8-10' x 6'	Magenta- Pink	Early May	Yes, spicy	3
Common Purple	15' x 12'	Purple	Early May	Yes	2
Donald Wyman	8-10' x 10'	Deep Pink-Red	June	Yes, spicy	2
Dwarf Korean	5' x 7'	Soft Pink to Lavender	June	Yes	3
James McFarlane	8-10' x 10'	Bright Pink	Mid-June	Yes, slightly	2
Ludwig Spaeth	10' x 8'	Dark Reddish-Purple	Early June	Yes	3
Miss Canada	8' x 8'	Bright, Rosy Pink	Mid-June	No	3
Miss Kim	5' x 5'	Icy Blue	Late May	Yes	4
Mme Lemoine	10' x 10'	Pure White	Late May	Yes, very	3
Montaigne	10' x 10'	Soft Pink	May	Yes, very	3
President Lincoln	10' x 8'	Wedgewood Blue	Mid-May	Yes	3
Sensation	10' x 10'	Purple w/ White margins	Early May	Yes, slightly	3
Tinkerbelle	6' x 5'	Rosy to Bright Pink	Early May	Yes, spicy	3
Yankee Doodle	8' x 8'	Deepest Purple	Mid-June	Yes	3

**Tree Form (*Syringa reticulata*)**

Ivory Silk	20-25' H	Creamy White	Mid-June	No	3
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## Getting to Know Jayker Employees



### ***In keeping with the Lilac theme***

I thought it would be a great time to talk about the Lilac Ash Borer. The borer, *Podosesia syringae*, is actually a clearwing moth that has a wasp-like appearance. The larvae over-winter in the stems of Lilacs or trunks of Ash trees near the surface of the soil. As spring arrives, the larvae continue feeding and the adults emerge from mid-May through July. We manage this pest by keeping a close watch on our pheromone traps and the degree-day calculators. 7-10 days after catching our first adult, we begin our spraying program that includes covering the trunks and lower branches with a persistent pesticide. Remember, proper cultural care and protecting the plants from injury are always first and foremost in managing this and other pests.

Dan Cervantes

***Dan Cervantes ~~~ Field Production Manager***  
Dan was raised in Anaheim Hills, California. He and his wife LaRae moved to Moscow, Idaho to attend the University of Idaho. Dan later obtained a Masters of Entomology and began his career at Washington State University, later working for the University of Idaho Parma Research and Extension Center. When Dan is not working he enjoys wakeboarding, hunting, fishing and camping with his daughter Annabelle (6 years old), wife, and other friends and family.

- Favorite Insect – Tarantula Hawk Wasp: This insect fascinates Dan because it attacks and paralyzes tarantulas and then lays its eggs on top of them.
- Favorite Place in Idaho – Lake Cascade, a large lake with wonderful campgrounds and hiking areas in the McCall Area. Dan and his family like to camp, boat, and relax year round.

### **Lilac Ash Borer**



### **Welcome to Our New Employees:**

*Ed Hubbard* is our new Jayker Treasure Valley General Manager. Ed comes to us with many years of retail and landscape experience. Please join us in welcoming him aboard!

*Andy Klinchuch* is our new customer service rep for Jayker Treasure Valley. Andy comes to us from the real estate business, but has many years of experience working at Hoffman's Landscape.

### **Employee Retirement and Job Changes:**

*Patrice Powers*, one of our customer service reps at Jayker Treasure Valley, has transferred to our Twin Falls Nursery. *Karen Elsner*, our shipping coordinator, has taken a new position with the Idaho Department of Agriculture as an inspector.

*Sherrill Clark*, our long time Sales Manager, has retired. We wish Sherrill the very best in her new life adventures!