

RHODODENDRON SPECIES

KEY / LEGEND:

The first number is cold hardiness, the second # is a height rating (how tall @ 10 years old).

☼ = Sun Tolerant

AKA (also known as) = reclassified species, added for confusion's sake only [in brackets].

Subgenus and/or Subsection listed last (in parenthesis).

DECODING ACCESSION NAMES- (EXAMPLE: *arborescens* '76-273 RSF')

BBG - Berkeley Botanical Gardens (California)

RBG - Royal Botanical Gardens (England)

RHS - Royal Horticultural Society (England)

RSF - Rhododendron Species Foundation (Washington)

SA - Strybing Arboretum (San Francisco)

Note: The first two numbers usually indicate the year the variety was introduced.

aberconwayii -15°F 3' Mid April-May. White flowers with crimson spots and leathery, heavily-veined, dark green leaves. Upright, open habit. (Irrorata)

alabamense *deciduuous* -5°F 4' Late April-May. Wide tubular-shaped, lemon-scented, pale pink flowers with darker pink anthers. ☼ (Pentanthera)

ambiguum '**JANE BANKS**' +5°F 6' April. Funnel-shaped, pale yellow flowers with greenish spots. Compact, upright habit. (Triflora)

arborescens *deciduuous* -10°F 5' Late April-May. Fragrant, tubular, white flowers. East. U.S. native. ☼ (Pentanthera)

'76-273 RSF' Collected from Upson County, Georgia.

arboreum +5°F 6' Early March. A tall growing species with attractive, leathery leaves with distinctive silvery-white undersides. Rose-red to scarlet-red flowers. (Arborea) *We carry:*

'**BOWMAN RED**' Blood-red flowers.

'**PINK DELIGHT**' White flushed pink with darker edges.

'**TREWITHEEN 80-1287KWG**' Carmine-red flowers.

#17 Bright red flowers.

'65-98 SA' Scarlet-red flowers. Upright, compact habit.

'67-228 BBG' Rose-red flowers.

'69-24 SA DWARF' Red flowers. Low and compact habit.

ssp. cinnamomeum +5°F 5' Mid March-April. A very handsome plant with striking cinnamon-colored indumentum. Soft pink flowers held in a lax truss.

ssp. cinnamomeum '**70-046 RSF**' White flushed rose with a few maroon flecks.

ssp. delavayi '**BBG**' +15°F 6' Mid March-April. Blood red, bell-shaped flowers. Large, shiny, dark green leaves.

argyrophyllum +5°F 6' Mid April-May. Bell-shaped, white flowers flushed pink. Long, narrow foliage colored silver-white underneath. (Argyrophylla)

'**CHINESE SILVER**' Soft rose-lavender flowers with darker flushes.

'69-8367 RBG' Pink-shaded flowers with darker flushes.

atlanticum '**KNAPHILL**' *deciduuous* -15°F 4' Late April-May. Tubular, fragrant, white flowers. Blue-green leaves. Open, upright growth. ☼ (Pentanthera)

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augustinii -5°F 6' Late March-April. Compact, upright growth with small, aromatic leaves.

Best in an open site with excellent drainage. ☼ (Triflora) *Available forms:*

'**BARTO BLUE**' (75-309 RSF) Deep lavender flowers with purple stamens.

'**BLUE CLOUD**' Lavender-blue.

'**ELECTRA**' (64-206 RSF) Lavender flowers with red-purple undertones and green flecks.

'**MARINE**' Deep lavender-blue flowers with purple spots.

'**O.T.B.C.**' Light lavender.

'**ROTHSCHILD**' Light lilac-blue.

'**SHN**' Medium lavender-blue

'**SMOKEY GREY**' Bluish-grey

'**TOWER COURT**' Clear, lavender-blue.

'**VILMORIANUM**' (75-278 RSF) White flowers with a yellow flare.

'**WHALLEY**' (77-286 RSF) Small, smokey-blue flowers.

'77-789 RSF' Deep violet-blue.

'78-063 RSF' White.

ssp. hardyi '**78-065 RSF**' Greenish-white, tinted lavender.

auriculatum -5°F 6' June-July. Very fragrant, trumpet-shaped, white to creamy white flowers. Best with some shade to protect the late-blooming flowers. (Auriculata)

auritum '**65-269 RSF**' +10°F 3' Late March-April. Bell-shaped, light yellow flowers with a pink blush. Small, bright green leaves, rusty-brown below. (Tephropepla)

austrinum *deciduuous* -15°F 5' Early April. Tubular, funnel-shaped flowers with good fragrance. Native to S.E. U.S. ☼ (Pentanthera) *We carry the following forms:*

'**MILLY MAC**' Flowers with pink outsides with golden orange insides edged in white.

'**RUSHIN'S**' Yellow flowers.

bachii +15°F 6' Early April. Rose-lilac flowers. Narrow, dark green leaves. Also, see *R. ovatum*. (Azaleastrum)

bakeri '**AEMULENS**' *deciduuous* -5°F 5' Late April. Narrow, pink tubes flare to creamy-yellow. Fragrant. Upright, spreading habit. Native to S.E. U.S. [AKA: *R. cumberlandense*] ☼ (Pentanthera)

balfourianum +5°F 6' Late March-April. Wide funnel-shaped, soft pink flowers with lighter centers. Rounded, compact habit with some indumentum underneath. (Taliensia)

barbatum -5°F 6' Early March. Round trusses of narrow bell-shaped, bright scarlet flowers. Smooth, reddish-plum colored bark. (Barbata)

beanianum '**74-115 RSF**' +5°F 6' March. Loose trusses of tubular, bell-shaped flowers of carmine-rose. Puckered, shiny dark green foliage with a rusty indumentum underneath. (Neriiflora)

bodinieri -5°F 6' Mid March-April. Soft lavender-pink flowers with a crimson blotch. Very similar to *R. yunnanense*. ☼ (Triflora)

brachycarpum -10°F 4' Mid April. Creamy-white flowers, slightly flushed pink, with greenish-yellow spots. Bright green leaves with beige indumentum. (Pontica)

'**CREEPING**' Low, mounding habit to 3'.

ssp. fauriei '**70-153 SA**' Blue-green leaves.

brachysiphon '**69-99 SA**' (see *R. maddenii* ssp. *maddenii*)

breviperulatum '**82-088 RSF**' (see *Evergreen Azalea* section)

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bullatum (see *R. edgeworthii*)

bureavii -10°F 4' Early April. White flowers with crimson markings. Top-notch foliage is dark green with thick indumentum below. Needs excellent drainage. (Taliensia)

'BRIGGS' Wide bell-shaped white flowers.

'KAMMER' Pink buds open to white.

'LEM'S' Pink buds open to white.

bureaviodes -10°F 4' April. Very similar to *R. bureavii* with larger leaves and flowers. (Taliensia)

burmanicum 'SHN' +20°F 4' April. Medium-large sized white flowers with a yellow center. (Maddenia)

caesium '76-134 RSF' +5°F 3' Late April-May. Wide funnel-shaped, yellow flowers with gold-green flecks & crimson-tipped lobes. Small, aromatic leaves are bluish-green below. (Trichoclada)

calendulaceum *deciduous* -25°F 5' Mid April-May. Funnel-shaped, orange-pink flowers with lighter centers. Upright, spreading habit. Native to S.E. North America. ☼ (Pentantha)

'BURNING LIGHT' Orange-red flowers.

calophyllum (see *R. maddenii* ssp. *maddenii*)

calophytum -15°F 5' Late February-March. Beautiful pink flowers on a large-growing shrub with large, handsome foliage. (Fortunea)

calostrotum -5°F 18" Late March-April. Rich purple flowers with darker spots. Small oblong leaves, cinnamon-colored underneath. Low and compact habit. (Saluenensia)

var. calciphilum Pink flowers. Larger leaves.

var. reptans Rich magenta with darker spottings.

campanulatum 0°F 4' April. Light lilac to white flowers with some spotting. Dark green, oblong leaves with a heavy cinnamon indumentum. (Campanulata)

'E&M 394 RBG' Pale blue flowers.

'SS 2W 9107 RBG' Blue-green foliage with pale blue flowers.

'WAXEN BELL' (75-123 RSF) Pale rose-purple with darker spots.

'5-44' Pale blue flowers. Strongly-colored bluish-green foliage.

'65-304 BBG' Pale lavender-blue.

ssp. aeruginosum Leaves open silver-green, turn blue-green

campylocarpum 'RBG' -5°F 5' Late April-May. Pale yellow flowers and rounded, dark green leaves. (Campylocarpa)

campylogynum -15°F 2' Late March-April. Small, waxy, bell-shaped flowers are dusky-pink. Small, glossy leaves and cinnamon-colored peeling bark make this an attractive plant. (Campylogyna) *The following forms are available:*

'A.M.' Tiny, smokey-purple bells.

'BERRY' Dark fuchsia-purple.

'JADE' Small, tubular, purple-pink flowers.

'LEUCANTHUM' Creamy-white. Low and compact.

'TOWER COURT' Purple.

'WWLH186664 RSF' Plum-purple bells held above foliage.

'74-062 RSF' Larger dusky pink flowers with darker marks.

var. celsum An erect form with plum-purple flowers.

var. charopoeum Bigger, rose-purple flowers with darker marks.

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campylogynum (continued...)

var. cremastum Pink flowers. Leaves not glabrous.

var. myrtilloides A very dwarf form with smaller flowers of deep purple.

canadense 'RBG' *deciduous* -25°F 2' April. Lavender-pink flowers with deeply cut petals on bare stems in winter. Compact, bushy grower. Native to S.E. N. America. ☼ (Rhodora)

canescens *deciduous* -5°F 6' Mid April. Star-shaped, tubular flowers rose to light pink. Light, sweet fragrance. Native to Eastern U.S. ☼ (Pentantha)

carneum +15°F 5' Early April. Fragrant, narrow bell-shaped, flesh-pink flowers. Dark green leaves, blue-green underneath. (Maddenia)

cerasinum -5°F 4' May. Drooping, bell-shaped, two-toned cherry-red and white flowers. Dense, compact habit. (Thomsonia)

chameunum 'RSF' -5°F 2' Late March-April. Flat-faced, rose-purple flowers spotted crimson. Downward creeping branches. [AKA: *R. saluenense* ssp.] (Saluenensia)

charitopes ssp. **charitopes** '75-320 RSF' -5°F 2' April. Bell-shaped, clear pink flowers with crimson spots. Open, upright habit. See also *R. tsangpoense* var. *pruniflorum*. (Glauca)

ciliatum '36RH-PS' +15°F 6' Mid April. Bell-shaped white flowers, tinged pink. Brownish-red peeling bark. (Maddenia)

ciliicalyx +15°F 4' Early April. Fragrant, funnel-shaped white flowers. Handsome, medium-sized, dark green leaves. See also *R. pachypodum* & *R. supranubium*. (Maddenia)

'DR. EVANS' Deep pink buds open to white flowers blushed pink outside.

'SA' Large white flowers, blushed with pink outside.

cinnabarinum +5°F 5' Late April. Oval, metallic grey-green leaves, bluish-green underneath. Long, tubular, cinnabar-red flowers. Best in an open site with good air circulation. (Cinnabarina)

The following forms are available:

'MACKEE' Pale pink flowers.

'NEPAL 74-066 RSF' Light orange.

'ROYLEI VIN ROSE' Deep plum crimson.

'81-137 RSF' Orange-apricot.

var. blandfordiiflorum Narrow tubular flowers, red outside, yellow-apricot within.

ssp. xanthocodon 'CASTLE HOWARD' Yellow, tubular flowers.

complexum -10°F 1' Early April. Purple-blue flowers. Very small leaves on a dense, mat-forming plant. (Lapponica)

concinnum 'CHIEF PAULINA' -5°F 5' Late March-April. Dark lavender-pink flowers. Upright habit. (Triflora) ☼

var. pseudoyanthinum Wide funnel-shaped, wine-red flowers.

coriaceum 5°F 6' April. Bell-shaped flowers are pale pink with a crimson blotch. Large, 8" x 3" foliage. (Falconera)

crassum (see *R. maddenii* ssp. *crassum*)

cubittii +15°F 5' Late March-April. White flowers with an orange blotch. Pale green, narrow, oblong leaves. [AKA: *R. veitchianum*] (Maddenia)

'ASHCOMBE' White, orange-yellow blotch.

'DR. EVANS' Deep pink buds open to light pink flowers.

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cuneatum 'FORREST 10435 RBG' -10°F 3' Late March-April. Open, funnel-shaped, rose-pink flowers. (Lapponica)

dalhousiae var. **rhabdotum** +15°F 6' May. Long, tubular bell-shaped, creamy white flowers with external red stripes. Open, spreading habit. (Maddenia)

dauricum -25°F 4' Late February. Semi-deciduous, compact, upright growth habit. Rosy-purple, funnel-shaped blossoms. (Rhodorastra)

'CAMPBELL' Lavender-pink flowers.

'NANA LUNN' Purplish-pink flowers.

davidsonianum +5°F 4' Late March-April. Flowers are white with a pink blush and occur along the stems as well as the ends. Shiny, narrow, dark green leaves. Upright, open habit.

☼ (Triflora)

'ALBA' White flowers.

'CAERHAY'S PINK' Pink with a darker center.

'RUTH LYONS' Clear deep pink, darkening as flower ages.

'SERENADE' Clear pink flowers.

decorum +5°F 6' Late April-May. Large, fragrant, white flowers are edible. Blooms heavily even when young. Compact habit. An adaptable and easy to grow rhododendron. (Fortunea)

degronianum -5°F 3' Mid March-April. Soft pink, bell-shaped flowers in a truss of 10 to 12. Compact, dense grower with deep green foliage. (Pontica)

delavayi 'BBG' (See *R. arboreum* ssp. *delavayi*)

denudatum 'RBG' +5°F 6' Mid April-May. Bell-shaped, light pink flowers. (Argyrophylla)

desquamatum -5°F 6' Mid March-April. Azalea-like flowers of lilac with a white throat. Dark green, narrow leaves on an upright shrub. See also *R. rubiginosum*. (Heliolepidia)

diaprepes -5°F 6' Late May-June. Large, ruffled, fragrant white flowers of heavy substance. [AKA: *R. decorum* ssp.] (Fortunea)

dichroanthum ssp. **apodectum** +5°F 3' Mid May. Tubular bell-shaped orange flowers, flushed salmon-rose. Open, spreading growth habit. See also *R. scyphocalyx* 'GOLDEN GATE'. (Neriiflora)

eclectum 5°F 5' April. Tubular bell-shaped pink flowers of heavy substance. Rounded, handsome foliage. (Thomsonia)

edgeworthii (syn. *bullatum*) +15°F 6' Early April. Unusual puckered leaves with a dusty silvery down on the surface and very heavy, velvet-like, brown indumentum underneath. Fragrant, rose-pink flowers are long lasting with a heavy substance. (Edgeworthia)

'BODNANT' Dark green leaves. More cold hardy.

'91-0451 BBG' Rounded leaves with heavy indumentum

elegantulum '81-129 RSF' +5°F 5' Late April-May. Narrow bell-shaped, cream flushed pink flowers with darker spots. Beautiful foliage plant with cinnamon indumentum. (Taliensia)

elliottii +15°F 6' Early April. Bell-shaped, scarlet flowers in a globe-shaped truss. Long, dark green leaves. Upright growth habit. (Parishia)

'ED LONG' Blood-red flowers.

'SHN' Coral-red flowers.

'88-081 RSF' Scarlet flowers.

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eriocarpum (see *Evergreen Azalea* section under *tamurae*)

erosum -5°F 6' March. Narrow bell-shaped, deep crimson flowers. Oval leaves with a fawn-colored indumentum. (Barbata)

fargesii 'RHS' +5°F 6' Late March-April. Narrow bell-shaped, rosy-pink flowers with darker spots. Open, upright growth. Allied to *R. oreodoxa*. (Fortunea)

fastigiatum -15°F 2' Mid March-April. A compact grower with dense foliage. Flowers are deep lilac-purple. A good dwarf. (Lapponica)

ferrugineum +5°F 3' Mid March. Long, tubular, pink flowers. Slightly twisted leaves. Needs excellent drainage. ☼ (Rhododendron)

fictolacteum (see *R. rex* ssp...)

flammeum (see *R. speciosum*)

flavidum -15°F 2' Mid March-April. Small light yellow flowers. Open, upright, dense growth. (Lapponica)

fletcherianum 'YELLOW BUNTING' +5°F 3' Late March-April. Small, bright primrose-yellow flowers. Hairy foliage turns bronze in winter. Showy, peeling bark. (Maddenia)

formosum 'EDINBURGH' +15°F 6' Early April. Fairly compact with narrow leaves. Fragrant white flowers with a reddish-pink blotch. (Maddenia)

var. **inaequale**: White with a yellow blotch. Larger leaves and flowers with a stronger fragrance.

forrestii var. **repens** '76-373 RSF' -5°F 10" April-May. Dwarf, creeping evergreen shrub with scarlet-red flowers. (Neriiflora)

fortunei ssp. **discolor** +5°F 6' Early April. Fragrant pink flowers. Very large, matte-green leaves. Vigorous, upright habit. See also *R. houlstonii* 'BRODICK'. (Fortunea)

fulgens '75-106 RSF' -5°F 6' April. Tubular, crimson-red flowers. Compact, spreading habit. Smooth, peeling, pinkish-red bark. (Fulgensia)

fulvum 'COX' 0°F 4' Late March-April. Large trusses of open, funnel-shaped flowers of white blushed rose with crimson spotting. Superior rusty-brown leaf indumentum. (Fulva)

'64-156 RSF' Flowers pink with a maroon blotch.

galactinum 'EN 3537 COX' +5°F 4' Late March-April. Tight trusses of white to pale rose flowers with a crimson blotch. Dark green foliage with pale indumentum underneath. (Falconera)

glaucophyllum 'BERRY' -5°F 4' Late March-April. Flared, bright pink flowers. (Glaucia)

var. **tubiforme** Tubular, light salmon-pink flowers. Very aromatic, blue-green foliage.

glomerulatum -15°F 3' Late March-April. Small, pale-purple flowers in small trusses. Small leaves on a compact shrub. [AKA: *R. yungningense*] (Lapponica)

'SUNRISE' Lighter, pale purple flowers.

grande -5°F 6' Late February-March. Creamy-yellow or white flowers with a purple blotch. Very large (to 1') leaves. (Grandia)

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griersonianum +10°F 6' Mid May. Orange-red, funnel-shaped flowers. Medium-green leaves with light brown indumentum. Loose habit of growth. Very sensitive to fertilizer. (Griersoniana)

griffithianum -15°F 6' Early April-May. Fragrant white flowers, tinged pink. Peeling, reddish-brown bark. Upright & open. (Fortunea)

haematodes +5°F 4' Late April-May. Narrow bell-shaped, scarlet flowers. Very compact shrub with leathery, oblong leaves and a brown indumentum underneath. (Neriiflora)

hanceanum var. nanum +5°F 2' Early April. Funnel-shaped, chartreuse-yellow flowers. Compact grower with dark green leaves that are bronze when young. (Tephropepla)

We also carry:

'BOVEE'S' Light-yellow.

'CANTON CONSUL' Greenish-yellow.

'PINK' Creamy-pink, fading to white

'65-476 RSF' Bright yellow

hardingii +5°F 4' Early April. Bell-shaped white flowers with crimson spots held in a lax truss. Medium-sized, sharply pointed leaves. [AKA: R. annae ssp. laxiflorum] (Irrorata)

helirolepis (syn. pholidotum) -5°F 6' Late March. Fragrant, funnel-shaped, lavender-pink flowers with red spots. Aromatic, dark green foliage on a well-rounded mound. (Helirolepida)

'76-302 RSF' Soft lavender-pink flowers with darker spotting.

hemitrichotum +5°F 5' Late April-May. Small, funnel-shaped, light pink flowers fading to white. Upright, open habit. (Scabrifolia)

hippophaeoides -25°F 3' Late March-April. Small, lavender-blue flowers. Compact, dense, growth habit. Very frost hardy, even in bloom. Tolerant of poorly-draining sites. ☼ (Lapponica)

hirsutum +5°F 3' April. Small leaves on a twiggy, spreading plant. (Rhododendron)

We carry:

'FLORE PLENO' Double, pinkish-white flowers

'66-594 RSF' Magenta flowers.

hodgsonii '034 RSF' +5°F 5' April. Large, rose-purple flowers. Very large leaves. Reddish-brown peeling bark. (Falconera)

hongkongense +10°F 5' Late April. Saucer-shaped, slightly fragrant, small white flowers. Reddish-purple new growth. (Azaleastrum)

hookeri '67-711 RSF' +5°F 5' March-April. Long, narrow, bell-shaped, pink flowers. Open, upright growth. (Thomsonia)

houlstonii 'BRODICK' -5°F 5' Late March-April. Funnel-shaped, lavender-pink flowers tinged pink. Upright, open grower. Closely allied to R. fortunei ssp. discolor. (Fortunea)

hypenanthum 'ANNAPURNA' -5°F 3' Early April. Long, tubular, yellow flowers with darker staining. Aromatic leaves. [AKA: R. anthopogon ssp.] (Pogonanthum)

hyperythrum +5°F 6' Late April. Funnel-shaped, white flowers. Large leaves with small reddish pits below. (Pontica)

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impeditum -15°F 18" Mid March-April. Mauve, purplish-blue flowers cover the plant. Small, silver-grey green foliage. Tight, compact grower. One of the best for rock gardens or bonsai. Needs excellent drainage. (Lapponica)

imperator -5°F 9" Early March-April. Small, rose-purple flowers. Small, dark green leaves. Prostrate habit. A good dwarf for the rock garden. Also, see R. patulum. (Uniflora)

inaequale (see *R. formosum var. inaequale*)

indicum (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

insigne +5°F 6' May. Long, bell-shaped, pink flowers. Outstanding foliage is thick and grooved with a coppery sheen to the undersides. (Argyrophylla) *We carry:*

'WINDSOR LH22' Light pink.

'75-110 RSF' White with rose stripes and magenta spots.

intricatum -15°F 2' Early March. Very prolific, tubular, lavender-blue flowers. Small, dark green leaves. A handsome dwarf. (Lapponica)

irroratum 'POLKA DOT' -5°F 6' April. Beautiful pink flowers with yellow shades and red flecks through. Open, upright habit. (Irrorata)

iteophyllum +5°F 4' Early April. Fragrant, white flowers with a pink blush. Medium-sized, narrow leaves. [AKA: R. formosum var. formosum] (Maddenia)

japonicum deciduous -25°F 4' Late March-April. Large clusters of orange flowers. Compact, upright habit. ☼ [AKA: R. molle ssp.] (Sinensia)

johnstoneanum +15°F 6' Early April. Creamy-yellow, fragrant flowers in a loose truss. Medium-sized, dark green leaves with a hairy fringe. (Maddenia)

'BBG' Slightly ruffled, pale creamy yellow flowers.

'BOWMAN' Larger flowers of light yellow to white, darker towards center of flower.

'52-546 SA' Cup-shaped, pale yellow flowers.

keiskei -5°F 2' Mid March-April. Pale yellow, open bell-shaped flowers. Low-growing, compact dwarf. (Triflora) *We also carry:*

'PROSTRATE' Creamy-white flowers.

'75-208 RSF' Pale yellow flowers.

var. cordifolia Yellow flowers. Very low, creeping habit.

keleticum -15°F 1' Mid March-May. Deep purplish-crimson flowers with crimson spots are large and flat and resemble a pansy. Dense, matted growth. Closely related to R. calostrotum. (Saluenensia)

keysii 'SA' +5°F 6' Late March-April. Narrowly tubular, orange flowers with a yellow flare in dense clusters. (Cinnabarina)

'SHN' This form has deep yellow flowers.

kiusianum -15°F 18" Early March-May. A wonderful dwarf for rock gardens or bonsai. Small, shiny, dark green leaves. A heavy bloomer. Semi-deciduous in cold areas.

☼ (Tsutsusi)

We carry:

'ALBA' White flowers.

'BBG' Lavender-pink flowers.

'BENICHIDORE' Deep coral-red flowers.

'FUJI MOSUME' Light pink, fading to white.

'GORDNER'S' Bright pink.

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kiusianum (continued...)

- 'HAGUROMO' Light pink flowers.
- 'HANEJIRO' White flowers.
- 'HANE KOMACHI' Pale reddish-orange flowers.
- 'HARUSAME' Vibrant orchid-pink flowers.
- 'HAWSHIRE' White flowers.
- 'KOKONOE' Double, pale reddish-purple flowers.
- 'KOMO KULSHAN' Purplish-red with pale pink insides.
- 'MT. FUJI' White flowers.
- 'MOUNTAIN GEM' Rose-purple flowers.
- 'MURASAKI SHIKIBU' Hose-in-hose flowers of purple-red.
- 'NUMOTO' Pale pink flowers.
- 'SHD' Pink flowers, fading to soft pink.
- 'TATSUDA' Pink flowers.
- 'VICTORIA' Dark fuchsia-pink flowers.
- 'YUBAE' Double, medium pink flowers.
- 'ZUIKO' Dark rose-pink flowers.
- '81-011 RSF' Bright pink flowers, fading to medium pink.

lactum +5°F 6' Late April-May. Large bell-shaped flowers. Large, handsome leaves with tawny indumentum. Best in filtered shade with good drainage and low soil *pH*. (Taliensia)
We carry:

- '63-753 BBG' Pale yellow.
- '75-125 BBG' Clear yellow.

lanigerum +5°F 6' March-April. Bell-shaped, reddish-purple flowers. Large leaves with indumentum. (Arborea)

latoucheae 'RHS' +5°F 5' April-May. Scented, mauvish-pink flowers. Upright, spreading growth habit. (Choniastrum)

lepidostylum -5°F 18" Late May. Yellow flowers. Small, blue-green, furry leaves on a very compact dwarf. Good for rock gardens. ☼ (Trichoclada)

lepidotum +5°F 18" Mid March-April. Small white flowers. Low-growing, open growth habit. (Lepidota)

leucaspis +5°F 18" Late February-March. White flowers with contrasting brown anthers. Hairy, dark green leaves. Spreading habit. ☼ (Boothia)

liliiflorum '82-174 SA' +15°F 6' April. Wide funnel-shaped, scented, white flowers strongly resemble lilies. Upright, open habit. ☼ (Maddenia)

linearifolium +5°F 3' Mid March-April. Unique, narrow, hairy leaves. Fragrant pink flowers with narrow, ribbon-like petals. (Tsutsusi)

lochmium 0°F 6' April Blue flowers, flushed rose with a darker blotch. Narrow leaves on an upright grower. Possibly a natural hybrid between *R. davidsonianum* & *R. trichanthum*. (Triflorum)

lutescens -5°F 6' Late February-March. Pale yellow flowers sparkle against the dark, bronze-red foliage. Narrow leaves, upright habit. (Triflora)

luteum 'RBG seedlings' *deciduous* -15°F 5' May. Sweetly scented, tubular yellow flowers on bare branches, blooms over a long period. Scarlet fall color. Can take deep shade. ☼ (Pentanthera)

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lysoplepis -15°F 2' Mid March-April. Funnel-shaped, purplish flowers. Small leaves. Possibly a natural hybrid between *R. flavidum* x *R. impletum*. (Lapponicum)

macabeanum +5°F 6' March. Bell-shaped, deep yellow flowers. Very large (to 18") leaves with tan indumentum. We also carry the form 'VICTORIA'. (Grandia)

macrantha (see *Evergreen Azalea* section)

macrogemmum (see *Evergreen Azalea* section)

macrophyllum -5°F 6' Late May-June. Pacific coast native. Pale mauve-pink flowers. Medium-large, dark green leaves. Quite shade tolerant. (Pontica)

'SHN' Lavender-pink flowers opening from dark lavender buds.

'77-208 RSF' A form with pure white flowers.

'85-050 RSF' Burgundy-red flowers.

macrosepalum (see *Evergreen Azalea* section)

maddenii +15°F 6' April-June. An open-growing shrub with glossy, dark green foliage and late-season, fragrant, large lily-like flowers. Showy, peeling bark. Shade and heat tolerant. Now divided into two subspecies; *crassum* and *maddenii*, each containing several "former" species which are listed here. (Maddenia)

ssp. crassum

- **crassum** Large, white flowers in a loose truss in May. Dense, upright habit.

- **manipurense** Large, white flowers, flushed yellow in the throat in Late May-June. Larger foliage.

- **odoriferum** Large, white flowers tinged green inside, blushed rose outside in Mid May-June. More compact habit with smaller foliage. *Forms:* 'BOWMAN'- white flowers; 'WESTGATE'- pink flowers.

ssp. maddenii

- **brachysiphon** '69-99 SA' Late April-May. Large, fragrant, lily-like, pink flowers. Attractive rusty-green foliage. A bit more cold hardy.

- **calophyllum** Early April. Fragrant, pale pink to white flowers. Large, oblong leaves. More compact habit.

- **polyandrum** May. Very large, white flowers with a yellow throat. Long, narrow leaves. Upright, open habit.

- '69-336 BBG' May. Large, pale pink flowers opening from dark pink buds.

-*For a complete listing of the Maddenii hybrids, see page 131.*

magnificum +10°F 5' Mid February-March. Huge trusses of rose-purple flowers. Large (to 18" long) foliage with tan indumentum. (Grandia)

manipurense (see *R. maddenii* ssp. *crassum*)

martinianum '70-133 RSF' +5°F 4' Mid April. Bell-shaped, creamy-white flowers. Small leaves. (Selensia)

megeratum +5°F 3' March-April. Creamy-yellow flowers on a dwarf plant. Purplish, peeling bark. (Boothia)

melinanthum 'ARS' +5°F 6' May. Yellow, bell-shaped flowers. Open, upright growth. [AKA: *R. mekongense* var.] (Trichoclada)

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metternichii -15°F 6' Mid April. Pink, bell-shaped flowers. Narrow, shiny leaves with cinnamon indumentum. A very handsome, compact-growing shrub. [AKA: R. degronianum var. heptamerum] (Pontica)

micranthum +5°F 6' May. Small, bell-shaped, white flowers. Very small, narrow leaves on an upright, spreading plant. Good as an espalier. Heat tolerant. (Micrantha)

microgynum '74-027 RSF' +5°F 2' Late March-April. Blood-red flowers. Narrow, dark green foliage. (Neriiflora)

montroseanum '064 RSF' -5°F 6' March. Deep pink flowers with a crimson blotch. Large leaves. Upright grower. (Grandia)

morii 'ORPHAN' (77-377 RSF) +5°F 6' Late April-May. Bell-shaped, rosy-white flowers with a crimson center. Upright, open habit. (Maculifera)
'RSF PINK' Darker pink flowers.

moupinense 0°F 3' Mid February-March. White, funnel-shaped flowers with a crimson blotch. Wide, dark green leaves with new growth bronzy-red. Peeling bark. ☼ (Moupinensia)
'PINK' A form with bright pink flowers and white centers.

mucronatum (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

mucronulatum 'CORNELL PINK' deciduous -15°F 5' Early February. Clear pink flowers bloom along the stems as well as on the tips of bare branches. Erect, sprawling growth habit. ☼ (Rhodorastra)

nakaharae -5°F 6" Late May-June. Rose-colored flowers. Low, spreading growth habit. Attractive, dark green leaves. (Tsutsusi) *We offer the following forms:*
'GIGHA' Pink-red flowers.
'MT. SEVEN STAR' Large, deep red flowers.
'OSBORNE' Very low and creeping. Light orange flowers.
'74-085 RSF' (MARIKO) Carmine flowers.

neriiflorum '321981 BBG' -5°F 5' April. Narrow bell-shaped, crimson-scarlet flowers. Compact, spreading habit. (Neriiflora)

nitens -5°F 18" Late March-April. Small, fuchsia-pink flowers with crimson spots. Open, spreading dwarf. [AKA: R. calostrotum ssp. riparium] (Saluenensia)

nivale ssp. boreale +5°F 3' Mid April. Violet-blue flowers. Very small leaves. Upright, compact habit. (Lapponica)

niveum 'ACAMORE' +5°F 6' Late March-April. Long, wide-tubular, purple-lilac flowers with darker spots. Downy covering on new leaves, near-white indumentum below. Open, upright habit. (Arborea)
'75-115 RSF' Purple flowers.

norikianum (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

nuttallii +15°F 5' Late March-April. Very large, fragrant, creamy-white flowers, flushed yellow inside with lobes tinged pink. Large, dark green foliage. Also, see R. sinonuttallii. (Maddenia)

obtusum (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

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occidentale deciduous -5°F 5' Early May. Pacific coast native with narrowly tubular, fragrant flowers pink outside opening to creamy white and yellow. ☼ (Pentantha)
'PETITE FLEUR' Pink buds open to small white flowers on a low growing, spreading shrub. A chance seedling discovered here in our gardens.

odoriferum (see *R. maddenii ssp. crassum*)

oldhamii (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

orbiculare +5°F 5' Mid April. Bell-shaped, rose-pink flowers. Rounded foliage. Compact habit. (Fortunea) *We also carry:*
'65-350 RSF' Rose flowers.
'67-702 RSF' Deep pink flowers.

oreodoxa '80-121 RSF' +5°F 6' Late March-April. Bell-shaped, pale pink flowers with maroon flecks on upper lobe. Open, upright growth habit. (Fortunea)

oreotrepes +5°F 5' Late April. Rose-lavender flowers appear along the stems and tips. Small, attractive blue-green leaves, stems and buds. (Triflora) *We also carry:*
'EXQUISTIUM' (73-211 RSF) Pastel rose-purple flowers.
'WHITNEY' Pink flowers.
'67-702 RSF' (BLUE LEAF) A more glaucous form with lighter-colored flowers.

orthocladum '75-273 RSF' +5°F 2' April. Purplish-blue flowers on a compact, spreading plant with grey-green leaves. (Lapponica)

ovatum '76-050 RSF' +10°F 5' April. Small, white flowers blushed pink with dark spotting. Compact habit with rounded leaves. Also, see R. bachii. (Azaleastrum)

pachypodum '59-957 BBG' +15°F 5' Late March. Fragrant, creamy-white flowers. See also R. cilicalyx and R. supranubium. (Maddenia)

patulum +5°F 2' Early March. Narrow funnel-shaped, purple flowers. Small, long, dark green leaves. This dwarf has a prostrate habit. [AKA: R. imperator] (Uniflora)

pemakoense 0°F 15" Early March. A heavy bloomer with pinkish-purple, broadly funnel-shaped flowers. Wide, rounded, dark green leaves on a low, mounding, dense-growing dwarf. (Uniflora)

periclymenoides deciduous -15°F 5' Mid April. Star-shaped, tubular flowers rose to light pink. Light, sweet fragrance. Native to Eastern U.S. (Pentantha)

pholidotum (See *R. heliopsis*)

pianensis (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

piercei +5°F 5' April. Narrow bell-shaped, crimson-red flowers. New growth hairy, later forming a thick, brown indumentum. (Neriiflora)
'74-130 RSF' Intense red flowers.
'76-210 RSF' Open trusses of pure scarlet.

pingianum -5°F 6' March. Long, narrow bell-shaped flowers. Large, narrow leaves with a thick indumentum below. (Argyrophylla) *We carry:*
'HU8199UWAH214': Purple.
'79-161 RSF' Light pink

polyandrum (see *R. maddenii ssp. maddenii*)

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polylepis 'EN3619 COX' +5°F 6' April-May. Violet-purple flowers on an open, upright grower. (Triflora)

ponticum -5°F 6' Mid May. Light lavender flowers in 6" trusses. Attractive, dark green foliage. A tough and adaptable rhododendron that can take some abuse. ☼ (Pontica)

'**VARIEGATUM**' White variegation along leaf margins. Lavender flowers.

'**#2**' Rose-lavender flowers are slightly frilled with a yellow flare and purple stamens.

poukhanense (see *Evergreen Azaleas under yedoense*)

praevernium +5°F 6' February. Tubular bell-shaped, light-pink flowers with a crimson blotch. Very similar to *R. oreodoxa*. (Fortunea)

'**82-008 RSF**' Flowers pink with a purple blotch.

principis '95-139 RSF' +5°F 6' March. Pink flowers. Thick, spongy, silvery-white indumentum. (Taliensia)

prinophyllum deciduous -25°F 5' April. Star-shaped, tubular flowers rose to light pink. Spicy, clove-like fragrance. Native to Eastern U.S. ☼ (Pentanthera)

prostratum -15°F 6" Late May. Deep purple-rose flowers. Glossy-green foliage. A very compact, low-growing dwarf. [AKA: *R. saluenense* ssp. *chameunum*] (Saluensis)

protistum +5°F 6' March. Long bell-shaped, creamy-white flowers flushed rose. Very large (to 18") leaves. (Grandia)

prunifolium deciduous -15°F 4' July-August. Orange-red flowers. Glossy foliage. Native to Georgia into Alabama. ☼ (Pentanthera)

pseudochrysanthum -10°F 3' Late March-April. Flowers are soft pink, bell-shaped. Dark green, elliptic leaves with an attractive, compact habit. ☼ (Maculifera)

'**EXBURY**' White blushed pink flowers. Silver foliage.

'**HATCH**' Soft pink to white flowers.

'**IJ092 RSF**' Pink flowers.

pubescens -5°F 6' Mid March-April. Light pink flowers appear from buds clustered at the ends and along the branches. Compact and upright. ☼ (Scabrifolia)

racemosum -5°F 3' Late March-April. Flowers bloom along the upper portions of the stems. Upright, open growth. ☼ (Scabrifolia) *We carry:*

'**GLENDICK**' Deep pink, lighter center. Compact.

'**ROCK**' Lavender pink.

'**WHITE**' White flowers.

recurvoides +5°F 3' April-May. Long, narrow bell-shaped, white flowers flushed pink, with crimson spots. Long, narrowly pointed leaves have a thick indumentum. (Glischra)

We also carry:

'**74-098 RSF**' Strong pink.

'**74-099 RSF**' White flushed pink with magenta flecks.

rex +5°F 6' Late April-May. Long, tubular bell-shaped, pale pink flowers with a crimson blotch and spots. Very large (to 18") leaves with a brownish indumentum below. (Falconera)

ssp. fictolacteam +5°F 6' April. Very large trusses of bell-shaped flowers white tinged pink. Very large, glossy, dark green foliage.

rhabdotum (see *R. dalhousiae* var. *rhabdotum*)

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rigidum +5°F 6' Late April-May. Long, funnel-shaped, smokey-pink flowers with red spots. ☼ (Triflora)

'**GLENDICK**' Pink flowers with red spots.

'**RHS seedlings**' Pink to white flowers.

ririei 'TAGH213' +5°F 5' March. Bell-shaped, smokey-blue flowers. Upright, open growth habit. (Argyrophylla)

roxianum var. oreonastes -10°F 3' Late March-April. Bell-shaped, creamy-white flowers, tinged rose. A compact, slow-growing plant with narrow foliage having thick indumentum. (Taliensia)

rubiginosum -15°F 6' Early March-April. Pink-mauve flowers. Erect growth habit. Small, aromatic, pointed leaves. Also, see *R. desquamatum* 'BBG'. (Helirolepida)

russatum -15°F 3' Mid March. Deep indigo-blue flowers. Dark green, oval shaped leaves. Upright, open growth habit. (Lapponica)

saluenense +5°F 4' April. Lavender-pink flowers with lighter edges. Compact, mounding habit with small, aromatic leaves. See also *R. prostratum*. (Saluensis)

sanguineum ssp. haemaleum +5°F 5' Late March. Narrow bell-shaped, blackish-crimson flowers. Compact habit. (Neriiflora)

sargentianum +5°F 1' Late March-April. Small, daphne-like, creamy-white flowers. Aromatic leaves. Compact, mounding habit. (Pogonanthum)

'**PINK**' A form with pink flowers.

sataense (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

scabrifolium '70-155 RSF' -5°F 5' Early April-May. Narrow funnel-shaped, white flushed rose flowers with magenta flecks. Open, spreading habit. Also, see *R. spiciferum*. (Scabrifolia)

schlippenbacchii deciduous -25°F 4' Late March-April. Large, star-like, pink to white flowers in good trusses. Best with some shade. (Sciadorhodion)

scintillans +5°F 2' Late March-April. Deep blue-purple flowers. Very small leaves with a low, sprawling habit. [AKA: *R. polycladum*] (Lapponica)

scopulorum +20°F 5' Late April. White, wide funnel-shaped, fragrant flowers. Olive-green foliage. (Maddenia)

scyphocalyx 'GOLDEN GATE' +5°F 4' Late May. Unique, tubular, orange-yellow-crimson flowers. Rounded, dark green leaves. Dense, compact habit. [AKA: *R. dichroanthum* ssp.] (Neriiflora) ☼

selense ssp. jucundum +5°F 5' Late April-May. Pastel-rose flowers fading to white with a purple blotch. Open & upright. (Selensia)

serpyllifolium -15°F 2' Late March-April. Very small leaves on a spreading, compact plant with small, tubular flowers. (Tsutsusi)

'**ALBA**' Pure white flowers

'**FUCHSIA**' Deep pink flowers.

'**PINK**' Light pink flowers.

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sikangense 'RBG' -10°F 3' March-April. Bell-shaped, soft-pink flowers with a red blotch. Upright habit. (Maculifera)

var. exquisitum 'RHS' Pink flower fading to white with a red blotch and spots.

simsii 'VARIEGATED' (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

sinogrande +5°F 6' March. Pale-yellow to white flowers with a crimson blotch. Very large (to 30"), heavily-textured leaves with indumentum below. (Grandia)

'BRODICK' A selected form from the UK.

sinonuttallii '097 RSF' +15°F 6' April-May. Large, bell-shaped, white, tinged pink flowers with a yellow blotch. Fragrant. Large, heavily textured leaves. [AKA: R. nuttallii] (Maddenia)

speciosum 'APRICOT' (*syn. R. flammeum*) deciduous -15°F 4' Mid April. Tubular, yellow flowers with orange shades. A native of South Eastern U.S. ☼ (Pentantha)

sperabile **var. weihsiense** 0°F 5' April-May. Narrow, bell-shaped, scarlet-red flowers. Upright, compact habit. (Neriiflora)

sphaeroblastum **var. wumengense** +5°F 6' April-May. Narrow bell-shaped, white flowers with crimson spots. Leaves have a woolly indumentum below. (Taliensia)

spiciferum 5°F 3' Late April. Small, pinkish flowers appear along the stems and at the tips. Narrow, hairy leaves. [AKA: R. scabrifolium var.] ☼ (Scabrifolia)

spinuliferum +5°F 6' Early April. Closed, tubular flowers of reddish-orange. Narrow, olive-green leaves. Upright, open habit. ☼ (Scabrifolia)

stamineum '95-225 RSF' +15°F 6' Late March-April. Smooth, glossy-green foliage, purple-red when new. Tubular, flared flowers, white to pink with some fragrance, blooming along branches. (Choniastrum)

strigillosum -5°F 6' Early April. Blood-red trusses of narrow, bell-shaped flowers. Attractive foliage on a dome-shaped plant. (Maculifera)

'EXBURY' Rich blood-red flowers.

supranubium '59-957 BBG' +15°F 6' April-May. White, very fragrant flowers. Fairly glossy leaves. Very close to R. ciliicalyx & R. pachypodum. (Maddenia)

sutchuenense -5°F 6' March-April. Lavender-pink, bell shaped flowers in large trusses. Large, dark green leaves. Upright, open habit. (Fortunea)

var. geraldii Clear pink with a purple-crimson blotch.

tamurae (see *Evergreen Azalea section*)

tanastylum -5°F 6' March. Bell-shaped, crimson to scarlet flowers. Open, spreading habit. (Irrorata)

tatsienense -5°F 6' May. Purplish-rose flowers along branches and at tips. Small leaves. Spreading habit. (Triflora)

tephropeplum +5°F 30" Late April. Tubular bell-shaped, pink flowers. Upright, open habit. (Tephropepla)

thayeranum '66-605 RSF' +5°F 6' May-June. Funnel-shaped flowers open white with maroon flecks from pink buds. Compact, upright habit. (Argyrophylla)

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thomsonii 0°F 6' Mid April. Bell-shaped, deep crimson-red flowers. Rounded leaves, blue-white below with peeling-red bark. (Thomsonia) *We offer:*

'BLUE FOLIAGE' Scarlet flowers. Leaves strongly glaucous.

'GLENDICK seedling' From the Cox's in Scotland. Scarlet flowers.

'67-716 RSF' Deep scarlet red.

trichanthum +5°F 6' Mid April. Broadly funnel-shaped blue flowers with a lighter blotch. New growth hairy. Upright habit. [AKA: R. villosum] ☼ (Triflora)

trichocladum 'RBG' deciduous -5°F 3' April-May. Funnel-shaped, pale-yellow flowers with a greenish blotch. Loose, rounded growth habit. (Trichoclada)

trichostomum **var. ledoides** -5°F 3' Early May. Miniature, white, tubular flowers in long-lasting trusses. Small, greyish-green leaves. Open, spreading habit. (Pogonanthum)

tsangpoense **var. pruniflorum** +5°F 3' April. Small, bell-shaped, plum-lavender flowers. Open, upright habit. Closely related to R. charitopes. (Glauca)

valentinianum +5°F 3' March. Small, bell-shaped, clear buttery yellow flowers. Oval, pale green foliage fringed with hair. (Maddenia)

vaseyi deciduous -15°F 5' Late April. Wide funnel-shaped, 2" pink flowers often spotted with green. Nice autumn colors. Native to Eastern U.S. ☼ (Rhodora)

venator +5°F 6' Late May. Flowers are a deep scarlet. Bushy, well-branched habit with attractive foliage. (Venatora)

vernicosum '32-708 BBG' -5°F 6' Mid April. Pink buds open to white, bell-shaped flowers. Dull green leaves. Upright, open habit. (Fortunea)

virgatum +15°F 4' Late March. Soft pink, tubular flowers bloom between the leaves and along the branches. Open, spreading habit. (Virgata)

viridescens 'DOSHONG-LA' -5°F 6' Late May. Pale yellow flowers. Oblong, pale green foliage, bluish underneath. Low, spreading habit. (Trichoclada)

wadanum 'RBG seedling' deciduous +5°F 5' May. Funnel-shaped, deep purple flowers with darker spots. (Brachycalyx)

wallichii 'ACHAMORE' +5°F 6' April-May. Long, bell-shaped, lilac-rose flowers with darker spots. Very similar to R. campanulatum. (Campanulata)

'75-128 RSF' Pastel rose-purple flowers.

wardii 'LSE157 RBG' +5°F 6' Late May-June. Clear yellow flowers with a crimson blotch. Open, upright habit. (Campylocarpa)

wasonii '65-258 RSF' -5°F 4' Late March-April. Bell-shaped, pale yellow flowers. Dark, shiny-green foliage with rusty indumentum. (Taliensia)

weyrichii '81-073 RSF' deciduous -10°F 5' April-May. Wide funnel-shaped flowers, bright brick-red with a purple blotch. Open, upright growth habit. (Brachycalyx)

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williamsianum -5°F 18" Late April. Bell-shaped pink flowers hang in groups of two or three. Rounded, dark green leaves on a low and spreading dwarf. Can be difficult in warm areas but the hybrids (see **page 130**) are usually easier to grow. ☼ (Williamsiana)

'COX' Soft pink to white.

'PHETTA PLACE' Pink.

'SHN' Soft pink. Very low growing.

'WHITE' A form with white flowers.

wiltonii -5°F 3' Late March-April. Bell-shaped, white flowers blushed pink, spotted with crimson. Shiny foliage with tan indumentum. (Taliensia)

xanthocodon (see *R. cinnabarium* ssp. *xanthocodon*)

xanthostephanum 'GARRAMA' -25°F 4' Late April. Tubular bell-shaped, yellow flowers. Shiny green leaves. Open, upright, spreading habit. ☼ (Tephropepla)

yakushmanum -25°F 3' Late April. Dark pink buds open to pink flowers and gradually fade to white. Leaves are dark green, narrow, and down-curved with a heavy cinnamon indumentum. ☼ [AKA: *R. degronianum* ssp.] (Pontica)

We also carry:

'EXBURY' Smaller, more convex foliage than the type.

'F.C.C.' (*syn. KOICHIRO WADA*) Deep pink buds, open to white flowers.

'57056 SA' Pink buds open to light pink flowers, fading to white.

-Also, see **page 131** for a listing of the "YAK" hybrids.

yunnanense -5°F 6' April. White flowers with a darker eye. Open, upright habit. Sometimes semi-deciduous in colder areas. ☼ (Triflora)

We carry the following forms:

'BBG' White with an orange eye.

'BOVEE'S' Blue-pink with a red eye.

'SHN' Light lilac-pink flowers, fading to white.

'80-933 RSF' Larger flowers of white with a pink blush and an orange blotch.

zaleucum -5°F 6' Late May. White flowers flushed with violet appear along the branches and at the tips. Dark green foliage. (Triflora)

KEY / LEGEND for RHODODENDRON species:

The first number is cold hardiness, the second # is a height rating (how tall @ 10 years old).

☼ = Sun Tolerant

AKA (also known as) = reclassified species, added for confusion's sake only [in brackets].

Subgenus and/or Subsection listed last (in parenthesis).

DECODING ACCESSION NAMES- (EXAMPLE: *arborescens* '76-273 RSF')

BBG - Berkeley Botanical Gardens (California)

RBG - Royal Botanical Gardens (England)

RHS - Royal Horticultural Society (England)

RSF - Rhododendron Species Foundation (Washington)

SA - Strybing Arboretum (San Francisco)

Note: The first two numbers usually indicate the year the variety was introduced.
