

A Comparative Study of *Tradescantia* Cultivars

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Tradescantia

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The Evaluation Study

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Performance Report

Table 1: Plant Traits and Ratings

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Summary



Trade Name: 'Pejié' Pigeon

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TABLE 1: PLANT TRAITS AND RATINGS

The Chicago Botanic Garden (USDA Hardiness Zone 5b, AHS Plant Heat Zone 5) evaluated 31 taxa of *Tradescantia* in full-sun trials between 2005 and 2009. Fourteen spiderworts received four-star good ratings for their strong habits, good flower production, and greater resistance to fungal leaf spotting.

Overall Rating	Tradescantia	Flower Color	Flower Size	Bloom Period	Leaf Color	Plant Height	Plant Width	Leaf Spotting
	'Angel Eyes'	white, purple	1¼ in.	early Jun-late Sep	green	18 in.	32 in.	low
	'Bilberry Ice'	white, lavender	1½ in.	early Jun-mid Sep	green	22 in.	36 in.	low
	'Blue and Gold'	purple blue	1¾ in.	late May-mid Sep	yellow	16 in.	30 in.	moderate
	'Blue Stone'	lavender blue	2 in.	mid May-late Sep	yellow green	22 in.	36 in.	low
	'Concord Grape'	purple	1½ in.	mid May-Sep	blue green	24 in.	36 in.	low
	'Danielle'	white	2 in.	late May-mid Aug	yellow green	20 in.	32 in.	low
	'Innocence'	white	2 in.	early Jun-Sep	yellow green	16 in.	30 in.	moderate
	'Jeannene'	purple	1½ in.	late May-late Sep	green	20 in.	34 in.	low
	'Karminglut'	purple	2 in.	early Jun-Sep	yellow green	22 in.	40 in.	moderate
	'Little Doll'	light blue	1½ in.	late May-mid Sep	green	12 in.	32 in.	severe
	'Lord Nelson'	dark purple	1 in.	early Jun-late Aug	blue green	15 in.	26 in.	low
	'Mariella'	purple blue	2 in.	early Jun-Sep	green	20 in.	36 in.	moderate
	'Mrs. Loewer'	lavender blue	1½ in.	mid Jun-mid Sep	blue green	18 in.	34 in.	low
	'Perinne's Pink'	pink	1½ in.	early Jun-late Sep	blue green	24 in.	40 in.	low
	'Purple Profusion'	light purple	1¾ in.	mid May-mid Sep	blue green	15 in.	30 in.	low
	'Red Cloud'	rosy red	1¼ in.	mid May-late Jul	green	24 in.	60 in.	low
	'Red Grape'	magenta	1½ in.	mid Jun-mid Sep	blue green	24 in.	36 in.	low
	'Rubra'	deep violet	1½ in.	early Jun-mid Sep	green	20 in.	36 in.	low
	'Snowcap'	white	1½ in.	late May-mid Aug	yellow green	20 in.	32 in.	moderate
	'Sylvana'	violet magenta	1¾ in.	early Jun-early Oct	green	22 in.	30 in.	severe
	'Therese'	pink	1½ in.	early Jun-Sep	gray green	24 in.	30 in.	low
	'Valour'	purple	1½ in.	late May-early Sep	green	18 in.	30 in.	moderate
	'White Doll'	white	1½ in.	early Jun-mid Sep	yellow green	18 in.	32 in.	severe
	'Zwanenburg Blue'	purple blue	2 in.	late May-mid Sep	green	20 in.	36 in.	low
	<i>ohiensis</i>	lavender blue	1¼ in.	mid Jun-early Sep	blue green	18 in.	36 in.	low
	<i>virginiana</i> 'Caerulea Plena'	blue, double	1½ in.	early Jun-early Aug	green	24 in.	34 in.	low

Overall Ratings:

excellent,

good,

fair,

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