

AHS 2009 Comprehensive Hosta Show Classification List

**This list replaces all previous lists, dated or undated, sent by mail or posted on the Internet.
Please disregard and/or destroy all previous (hard copy) lists**

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Enclosed is the 2009 Comprehensive Hosta Show Classification List

To provide additional registration information this new list is presented in spreadsheet format.

This list includes 150 new registrations published for the Year 2008 . The full list has been revised to include the year registered. This will make it easier to look up the full registration data in the Check Lists, which may be found at http://www.hostaregistrar.org/hosta_registration_lists.html

**The “Tan Book “with information on Species, etc., is in the process of being updated.
It will soon be posted to the Registrar’s website, above.**

Please Note:

Any errors should be reported to jwburns2@bellsouth.net or the USPS address given on page 4.

Your cooperation will be helpful and is appreciated [To err is human].

“Thank You!” to those, who have reported errors in the past.

Some registrations are incomplete so exact classifications could only be guessed " Others state “margin" but give no margin color.

Cultivars that have margins AND are streaked or mottled are classified as Class 7 cultivars.

Where exact classification is in doubt, a “?” has been added.
Your input is welcome to clarify the classification for future shows

To simplify this list, none of the botanical indicators, like genus letter or species names have been italicized.

While we are showing a given size, in species that may only be an average.

There is a great diversity of sizes in any taxon. Thus;

- 1) Species will usually grow larger in cultivation for obvious reasons.
- 2) Species have a much larger size range of leaves than clonal cultivars.
- 3) Species leaves that do not follow the classification size **EITHER** should be classified by the classification/show chairs to fall into the right group

OR

3) Species leaves should be grouped as classified, regardless of size to show the natural diversity. Generally, hostas are classified as registered. However, where a hosta is generally known to grow larger or smaller than the registration the leaf is classified for show purposes by the registered size and the square inches shown are the registered size. Leaves that do not follow the classification size **EITHER** should be classified by the classification/show chairs to fall into the right group

OR

Leaves should be grouped as classified, regardless of size to show the natural diversity.

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[Division I - Horticulture (Taxa and Culta)]

Year 2009 Registered Species, Botanical Varieties and Forms (including Taxa reduced to Culta)
and Registered Cultivars

Division I – Horticulture

The Show Schedule was changed.

The “Dwarf” category has been eliminated and Division I is now subdivided by size into **10 sections**:
Section I-V are Registered Species, Botanical Varieties and Forms and Registered Cultivars.

Please Note: The Section number is determined by multiplying width by length given in the registration document.

**Actual leaf sizes entered in the show may be larger or smaller than registered
but the leaf size given in this list governs placement in the show.**

Section I: Giant-Leaved Species and Varieties and Registered Cultivars.

Section II: Large-Leaved Species and Varieties and Registered Cultivars.

Section III: Medium-Leaved Species and Varieties and Registered Cultivars.

Section IV: Small-Leaved Species and Varieties and Registered Cultivars.

Section V: Miniature-Leaved Species and Varieties and Registered Cultivars.

NOTE: Section VI through X unregistered seedlings, and sports are NOT included in this listing.

These must be classified at the show in accordance with the show schedule.

Please Also Note: The show classification numbers in the following list shown for individual cultivars are composed of the section number and the class number and letter (II-4B). For ease of use and to reduce the list to essential information only, the originator/registrant information has not been included. Streaky or mottled leaves in Class 7 may also have margins but some registrations do not give margin color. Leaves in Class 8 may show either early or late season colors depending on the time of season. In the past, some leaves, such as medium green leaves with light green margins, could not be classified from some of the registration descriptions but the new color classes will allow classification of such leaves.

Color Classes for 2009

Color classes are shown in the Show Schedule.

Class 1 – Green (All Shades)

Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)

Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)

Class 4 – White Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center

Class 5 – Yellow Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center

Class 6 – Green or Blue Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center (distinct from margin color)

Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled

Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)

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