

NITTANY

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Parentage: from seeds of *P. ostii*. Selected from a group of 5 peonies received as two year old seedlings from Cao Zhou, China in 2000. First bloomed 2002; first propagated 2010. SINGLE. Midseason bloom period. It is covered with large (17-19 cm; 7 inch), bright pink flowers, one per stem. Petals are somewhat notched and ruffled and have red flares extending about 40% their length. Carpels are smooth, 5 in number, with pink stigmas. Well developed dark pink sheath. Pollen and seeds. Fragrance. Shows some suckering. Height at maturity 4-5 feet. Named for the Indian maiden of legend whose actions resulted in the formation of Mt. Nittany.