

SEDONA

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Seedling #SH-50. Parentage: Seidl #SH-8 ('Age of Gold' x Daphnis 223) x Seidl #SH-11 (Daphnis 223 x 'Chinese Dragon'). Named by Kris Casey of Manitowoc, for the colored sandstone cliffs around Sedona, AZ. First bloomed in 1987. Has had prior distribution as 'Sedona'. A many petaled SINGLE (pushing towards semi double) with 12-13 petals, dusky red with darker flares, and dark sheath. Flares are short, about 10% of petal's length, and have a blurred edge. Under some conditions petal color appears as a cream base with a heavy wash of red-pink. Carpels are green, smooth, and have pink stigmas with normal morphology. Pollen bearing stamens are light red at the base and yellow towards the tip. The seed was harvested in 1983, had delayed germination to late 1984 and bloomed in spring 1987. Seedlings from 'Sedona' often have the same rapid development. Plants grow to about 40 inches (100 cm), have large, heavy foliage that is deeply cut, colored deep green, and flushed purple along the edges. The growth habit is to spread and is quite stoloniferous. Bloom is heavy and there are seldom terminal buds available for grafting. Flowers are side facing and some lower buds may lay on the ground. Flower stems usually produce 3 to 4 buds per stem. Seed fertility is high and seedlings produced have same robust characteristics of Sedona. Resulting offspring are often double, fertile, well-formed and have good carriage.