

# ***GREEN HILL FARM, INC.***

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## **Summer 2019 Hosta Liner List, August Availability** ***Some of our newest hostas are now available as liners!!!***

For the last several years we have been offering some of our best new hostas as liners. This is the fifth year of our new production system and it has now improved by leaps and bounds. We will send you another availability list of our Classic Hosta Liners™ early in September with additional offerings. **The hostas on this August Availability were produced this spring and are well rooted ready to pot for next year. Please order early to avoid disappointment as some quantities are very limited.**

The wholesale hosta market has seen the price for hosta liners fall to extreme lows in the past decade. While this has been good for the consumer, it has also resulted in the demise of two cutting edge liner producers of new hosta cultivars. I think many in our business have forgotten that hostas have value and that they are not inexpensive to produce. Our liner prices are generally one half or less than our bare root plants which in turn are less than half of their retail price. For Example: The very popular ‘Fruit Loop’ is a \$5.00 liner, a \$12.00 bare root plant for a hosta that averages \$25.00 retail. Yes, **we do offer quantity discounts on all our hosta offerings**, just ask and we will be glad to work with you as best we can. We want this to be profitable for us all.

**Classic Hosta Liners™ in 96 plug trays and the minimum order is only 12 per cultivar with a total minimum liner order of 48 plants.**

***These hostas are ready for early August delivery!***

\* GHF Introduction

**New for August!!!** *Sorry no discount on these beauties.*

**‘Rowan My Boat’** Medium. Here is another one of Doug Beilstein’s excellent very blue hostas with an unusual leaf shape. This medium to large hosta has puckered waxy blue leaves that are folded into petite kayaks. Named for his grandson I am sure you have the perfect spot for this eye catcher. **\$6.00**

**‘Smash Hit’** Medium. This sport of ‘Orange Marmalade’ <sup>PP#16742</sup> has a much wider blue-green margin than its parent indicating that it is probably tetraploid and will grow a little better. The leaf center is still bright yellow in the spring, turning orange, and then white as the season progresses. Certainly, a winner. **\$5.00**

**‘Sno Cone’** Medium. One of the best white-centered hostas, this one emerges with a bright white leaf center and a dark green margin. In the heat of summer, the leaves do green up some here allowing the plant to grow wildly. It has good substance and is probably a polyploid of some kind. Sells well. **\$5.00**

**‘Twice as Nice’** Medium to Large. As wonderfully colorful as my ‘Ambrosia’<sup>PPAF</sup> is this tetraploid form of it is ‘Twice as Nice’. Yes, it is a little smaller and more compact but also has more substance and richer wide blue margins and a bright yellow leaf center. The flowers are fragrant, of course. Pretty nice! **\$10.00**

**New for July!!!** *Sorry no discount on these beauties.*

**‘Glossy Ruffles’** (D. Ruff 2016) - (‘Invincible’ seedling) - Large, (24” X 45”) Do you like your hostas to shine, I mean really shine? This large, fast growing ‘Invincible’ seedling from Doug Ruff has very waxy ruffled green leaves that become mirrors of light in the garden. Perfect in that sunny corner by the walk. **\$6.00**

**‘Let’s Twist Again’** (D. Van Eechnaute) - (Sport of ‘Patriot’) - Medium, (10” X 24”) Danny has done it again. One of the greatest hosta sport fishermen worldwide, he has recently introduced this very curly sport of believe it or not, ‘Patriot’. This hostas makes a tight medium-sized clump that has surprising vigor. Perfect in a pot, it makes a great specimen hosta. **\$5.00**

**\*‘Mouse on the Moon’** (M. Zilis, Solberg 2019) - (‘Mouse Madness’ sport) - Mini, (6” X 14”) New mice just seem to beget more new mice. This one is a little out of this world. It has a wide wavy white margin that twists its pointed leaves unlike the usual mouse. The color is amazing, and it is very vigorous, like ‘Ruffled Mouse Ears’. **Introduced at the 2019 AHS Convention, it sold out quickly.** **\$10.00**

**\*‘Mouse Madness’** (M. Zilis, Solberg 2017) - (‘Solar Mouse’ sport) - Mini, (5” X 12”) Maybe the best of the mice so far, this white-edged sport of the all-white and almost impossible to grow ‘Solar Mouse’ is very vigorous. ‘Mouse Madness’ emerges with very bright white margins in the spring that do not melt but stay attractive well into late summer. **\$7.50**

**‘Ruffles n Ridges’** (R. & G. Fox 2018) - (‘Komodo Dragon’ X ‘Powder Blue’) - Huge, (36” X 72”) If you think bigger is better, this beast is for you. Bob Fox is known for his huge blue seedlings and this is one of the biggest, waist high and almost seven feet across. But it is those huge ruffled round leaves with deep veining that give it its attitude. A cross of ‘Komodo Dragon’ and ‘Powder Blue’, yes, it is a true monster. **\$6.00**

\***‘Sunny Day’** (Solberg 2019) - ([48/49 seedling X ‘Key West’] X 48/49 seedling) – Medium (14” X 24”) ‘Sunny Day’, chasing all the clouds away... this is a very happy hosta! It is also this hybridizer’s fantasy. It is the result of a backcross of a ‘Tom Terrific’ sibling back to its purple-petioled parent. The result is a very upright medium-sized hosta with the vibrant yellow color of ‘Key West’ and rich purple petioles up into the leaf blade. I rushed this one to you, it is that good. **\$6.00**

**‘Twinkle Little Star’** (D. Dean 2017) - ([‘Astral Bliss’ X ‘Purple Verticulated Elf’] X ‘Chabo Unazuki’) - Small, (8” X 16”) This almost mini new from Don Dean has just 4” leaves and stands only 8” tall. It makes a very tight flat mound of wavy very blue foliage that is folded into a star-shaped points. On the other hand, it looks a little prickly, too. Of all his great blue hostas this is my favorite by far. **\$6.00**

**‘Yippie’** (D. & M. Beilstein 2019) – Small, (9” X 13”) – This little hosta jumps up out of the hosta bed with its leaves stretched heavenward and screams yippee! It has narrow upright green leaves with a very striking white border that catches your attention even as a liner. **This first-time introduction** is bound to excite. **\$7.50**

**The rest...** *Early bird special! These hostas are discounted 10% from the listed price for a limited time. New additions in **BOLD**.*

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\***‘Ambrosia’**<sup>PPAF</sup> Large. Large very frosty blue heart-shaped leaves with a light-yellow center make this ‘Guacamole’ sport unique. Fragrant flowers too. **\$5.00**

**‘Aphrodite’** Large. Doubled-flowered form of *H. plantaginea*. Light green, shiny, sun tolerant foliage and large double white flowers that are very fragrant. **\$3.50**

**‘Blue Lettuce’** Very large. Large rounded blue leaves that are puckered, twisted and ruffled. Makes a very large unruly mound. Something special. **\$5.00**

\***‘Blue Perfection’** Large. Very waxy light blue leaves. A fast growing, sun tolerant, blue ‘Ambrosia’<sup>PPAF</sup> sport with fragrant flowers. **\$3.25**

**‘Cookie Crumbs’** Mini. Classic pure white-margined sport of ‘Tiny Tears’. Makes a flat spreading mound, perfect for a container or special place in the garden. **\$4.50**

\***‘Doubled Up’** Large. Tetraploid form of *H. plantaginea* Flowers are larger than species and the clump is more compact with great substance. Very Limited **\$4.50**

**‘Dragon Tails’** Mini. This bright yellow mini is best grown in a little strong light to accentuate the tight rippling along the narrow leaf margins but too much will bleach it white. It makes a cute little tuft of foliage with pale purple flowers in July. **\$3.75**

- \*‘**Fairy Dust**’ Mini. Our new very bright yellow mini that holds that color all season, with good substance, from 'Corkscrew' and 'Green Eyes'. **\$5.00**
- \*‘**First Blush**’<sup>PP#28,920</sup> Medium. Green leaves with red petioles and red margins, then entire leaf blushes purplish red. Our first red-leafed hosta is a true breakthrough!  
**NOW \$10.00, 48+ \$9.00**
- ‘**Frosted Mouse Ears**’ Mini. Classic white-margined form of ‘Blue Mouse Ears’ becomes brighter as the summer progresses. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Fruit Loop**’ Mini. Dark green cupped and puckered round leaves with a very showy white margin. Makes a tight clump of symmetric foliage. A great new hosta! **\$5.00**
- ‘**Hovercraft**’ Medium. Very blue almost perfectly round leaves hover above a spreading clump. Attractive even as a small plant. **\$4.25**
- ‘**Imperial Palace**’ Medium-large. Heart-shaped leaves have a yellow to cream center, and a wide green margin. Grows easily into an impressive clump. **\$4.25**
- ‘**Itsy Bitsy Spider**’ Mini. This very small very narrow leafed blue green hosta makes a very flat mat of wolf spider foliage. The perfect unique trough hosta. **\$4.00**
- ‘**Jet Black**’ Large. Very waxy blue heart-shaped leaves rapidly form a large impressive clump. Nice proportioned flowers, too. Holds blue color well. **\$4.25**
- ‘**Jetstream**’ Medium. Unique combination of blue foliage that is very frosty blue in the spring and very shiny blue in the summer. A fast grower. **\$4.25**
- \*‘**Lemon Kiss**’ Mini. Excellent bright yellow mini with round leaves and deep red petioles for a very flat mound. The yellow color holds well even in shade. **\$6.00**
- \*‘**Lemon Snap**’ Medium. Bright yellow rounded leaves with deep red on the petioles up into the leaf centers. Dark purple scapes appear in mid-summer with pretty purple striped flowers. **\$10.00**
- \*‘**Lemon Zinger**’ Mini. Our green-margined sport of the bright yellow 'Dragon Tails' quickly makes a clump of feathery foliage. A true mini. **\$4.00**
- \*‘**Love of My Life**’ Medium. A very special hosta. Bright yellow leaves with bright green margins in spring with pink petioles and later scapes with pinkish bracts. **\$7.50**
- \*‘**Orange Marmalade**’<sup>PP#16,742</sup> Medium. Blue leaves with a leaf center that lightens as the season progresses from yellow to orange, yes orange, to near white. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Parthenon**’ Medium. This white-centered sport of ‘Aphrodite’ is surprisingly vigorous, suggesting it might be polyploid. Great color and fantastic large double fragrant flowers. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Permafrost**’ Medium. Very colorful rich blue perfectly heart-shaped leaves with wide yellow margins. Very beautiful sport of ‘First Frost’. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Picasso**’ Small. Beautiful blue narrow leaves with a yellow margin make this hosta perfect for a container with other minis. Sport of Savory’s ‘Indigo’. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Pixie Vamp**’ Mini. This very showy mini has wide white margins on its green heart-shaped leaves. Will brighten up any container. **\$4.50**
- ‘**Poseidon**’ Large. Drop dead pure white-margined sport of a doubled flowered *H. plantaginea*. The flowers are great, but the foliage steals the show. **\$4.50**

- ‘Road Rage’** Medium. Variable green leaves that are puckered but have extra ridges that protrude upward in an irregular way creating a strangely contorted look. Yes, weird! **\$5.00**
- ‘Tears of Joy’** Mini. This little *H. venusta* like mini has green leaves that are folded and twisted when they emerge. It is a fast grower and spreader, perfect for covering a container or trough. The flowers appear to be yellow, lots of pollen but no petals. It is different. **\$3.75**
- ‘Tom Terrific’** Large. Our first large yellow hosta with rich purple petioles. The round, puckered leaves with good substance become more yellow as the season progresses. **\$7.50**
- \***‘Twist Tie’** Small. Small very twisted upright blue leaves that have very good substance. One of the last to go dormant it is great as contrast in a bowl of minis. A favorite. **\$4.50**
- ‘Viking Ship’** Very Large. This tall blue green hosta is a seedling of ‘Komodo Dragon’ with nice delicate ruffling on the leaf margins and a high vein count displaying its *H. montana* heritage. While it is a very pretty hosta, maybe I like it most for the name. **\$4.50**
- ‘Wonderful’** Mini. Very flat teardrop shaped yellow leaves form a symmetric miniature mound. Well-proportioned flowers make this a true mini. **\$3.75**
- ‘X-cellent’** Small-Medium. Beautiful wide green margins and strong yellow leaf center that will become white in more light. Very bright color and grows well. Excellent. **\$5.00**

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