

...Low Freight Rates...

No matter how many plants are in your order our postal charge is the same low rate for the whole order. **Qld & NSW - \$16.00, Vic - \$19.00, S.A - \$22.00, NT& Tas \$33,WA \$49** (Includes Quarantine Inspection Costs). *Please note: **The post & packing charge is for the whole order not each plant.** Unless specified plants are sent in long pots 70mm wide. Our plants are specially treated to ensure they travel well and in remote areas are able to travel up to two weeks without ill effects. Our unique packaging method has been giving great results for 30 years. You can either plant them straight into the garden, hold them in their pots or repot them with the pots of your choice. Plants that grow in full sun have been hardened to full sun conditions. **KEY:** 1.0m Typical Height of Plant in Cultivation ie one metre, V = Vine.*Fragrant** Native To Australia, Rf Rain-forest Plant, Ed Edible, F Frost Resistant, Fm Moderately Frost Resistant. Suited to: A Mild Climates from Hervey Bay (+Nth Qld Tablelands) South to Wollongong, Sth Aust & WA. B Inland / Hot&Dry, C Cool Areas/ Tablelands, cool parts Tas&Vic, D Tropics, E Seaside Planting-Salt Spray. If we use a small a,b,c, or d indicates not known by us but worth a try with extra care and placement. Often our customers give feedback on these. In addition every climate has different microclimates and every backyard has its own microclimates with various degrees of protection against the elements. Microclimates can be created that allow one gardener to grow plants that the neighbour can only dream about.

West Australian, Tas. & NT Orders are intended to be sent on the Following day Friday 5 May. Need your order by 12.30pm at **Tuesday 2nd May** as we go through an intricate Quarantine Inspection process & need to do this in one batch to make the process feasible. Air Delivery surcharge has been reduced from 20% to 10% on your total order. We send Toll Air. No PO Boxes

moisture and reduce your water

8. **Recycle everything** you can...return it to mother earth wherever you can. At our nursery we use recycled cartons recycled newspapers for packing. Used newspaper goes into vermicaste. Dead plants and pots go into compost for our gardens and also heaped for our Brush Turkey Nests. We make our own electricity from the sun and pump our own pure water from 30m below the ground. We apply vermicaste to our plants and use very little chemical pesticides because of this. **PS See our Video Tip of The Week Coming Soon.**

FOCUS ON GARDEN SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability means to be able to keep a system going long term without exhausting its or your resources and then falling in a heap ie your garden, yourself or other enterprises.



Here are some things to consider.

- YOU.** Your garden is there for your peace & joy. It brings you back to nature and can also provide you with food and herbs. Its not there to damage your health. Protect and strengthen your back. Protect your skin from damaging rays.
- SOIL** Whatever you take out of the soil in nutrients, minerals and trace elements must be replaced. Flowers, fruit and foliage take out N, P, K...minerals and trace elements. At some time they need to be replaced. So when you get a fertiliser look for a balanced one with N:P:K something like 10:10:10 plus minerals and trace elements. If its less than this say 2:3:2 you will just have to use more in this case 5 times.
- Pot Medium** The same goes for plants in pots. But in this case you will need to check the potting mix and probably replace every 2 years as mix in pots breaks down to mud rapidly. If your plant requires good drainage and most do it will die in a wet mud mix.
- Learn how to make **Compost and Compost Teas** as these will return most nutrients to the soil and greatly reduce your fertiliser costs. It is also a good thing to recycle waste products rather than filling up landfill unnecessarily which is costly, damaging and unsustainable. Compost will also act as a good mulch...see below.
- Learn how to make **vermicaste** with composting worms. Worm vermicaste adds another dimension to the amount of beneficial microbes you are adding to your pots in the garden. Plants will produce more and bigger flowers with vermicaste and more and bigger fruit. In winter your plants will think its spring. Just add it to water and pour it on with a water can or spray it through a hose. If you dont see the benefits you havent done it right and its pretty simple! Again its good use of household scraps, waste paper etc.
- Light.** As your plants get bigger they might shade out sun loving plants. If this happens you may have to move your plants.
- Molsture Conservation.** Mulch your garden and pots well as it will help retain

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PINEAPPLE LILY New

(50cm*AbCD) **Eucomis autumnalis**

Eyecatching and different with the strangest flower you have ever seen! Blooms in summer continuously lasting till autumn. Pineapple like cluster on top!!



Waxy white, burgundy centred, star shaped flowers. The flowers produces a sweet scent. Wide long brown spotted leaves. Can attract bees, butterflies and birds. Goes dormant in winter but springs back bigger and flowers every year. Easy to care for, low maintenance. Native to South Africa. Well drained soil. Full sun to light shade.

.....Priced at \$12.90 each (200 Parries)

....Hard to Get...Very Hard to Get!....

CARDINAL CREEPER

Ipomoea horsfalliae. One of the most beautiful flowering vines with thick shiny crimson flowers about 4cm across. Hard to get & extremely hard to propagate..



thats why they are rarely available. Contrasting black stems. Attractive rounded darkfive fingered foliage with a slightly scollaped edge. All warm coastal frostfree areas. Full sun or light shade.

.....Priced at \$22 each

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....Thornless Feature....

YUCCA DESMETIANA

(1.2mABcD) *Yucca desmetiana*

Thornless great structured feature plant. Growing as a single stem, the weeping leaves are bright green



or bluish grey turning to a burgundy red as the plant ages. In summer, a cream coloured bell shaped flowers appears on a upright stem above the leaves. A low maintenance plant and requires low amounts of water. Native to Mexico. Will tolerate heat and light frost. Prefers dry conditions in winter. Can be grown in containers. Full sun to part shade.

.....Priced at \$9.90 each

CROTON NORMA

(1.5mAD) *Codiaeum variegatum*

‘Croton Norma’ is a striking tropical plant grown for its decorative multicoloured foliage. The vibrant colours are often a mix of greens, yellows and reds on short curvy 2cm wide leaves. Crotons are from the Pacific Islands and South-East Asia and needs warmth. If down south during winter bring indoors to a warm lit up area. This one will provide a nice contrast to your garden. Full sun or semi shade.



.....Priced at \$8.90

ANCHOMANES DIFFORMIS

(2mEdAbcD) *Anchomanes difformis*

Certainly a unique member of the Aroid family! Large hooded maroon bracted with white to pinky spadix. White seeds that turn red when ripe. Grows from a huge horizontal tuber and quickly produces big shiny divided leaves. deciduous. Native to Africa. Also medicinal. Part shade.

.....Priced at \$33



...A Painted Fascination...

THAI AGLAONEMA No.4

(50cmAD) Amazing colours

can now be yours also..Beautifully marked succulent with a pink spine and very heavily pink speckled veins on the dark green leaves. Aglaonemas are soothing foliage plants that are great under dull to Keep on the dry side in temperatures below 15oC. Colour can vary depending on the light intensity. Great in a pot inside in cooler areas or outside or in a subtropical garden. Aglaonema are so easy care you cant go wrong because they love the shade they handle indoor conditions with ease and in warm areas they will light up any garden. Branch readily for you. They are tough & handle a variety of conditions and are relatively pest resistant and long lived.....Priced at \$12.90 each (200 Parries)



Paradise Stock Plants

Rainforest! Trees Large & Small

Colvillea racemosa (8mFABD) Racehorse Tree.....	orgn flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$8.90
Metrosideros tomentosa (5mAbcD) Variegated NZ Christmas Bush..	red flwrs..(Jul-Aug16)	\$7.90
Pachira edulis (4mFABcD) Money Tree aka Saba Nut.....	(Jan17).....	\$8.90
Polyalthia longifolia (9mD) Mast Tree.....	(Feb17).....	\$15.90
Samanea saman (EdAbcD) Monkey Pod Tree.....	(Mar-Apr17).....	\$7.90
*Tabebuia argentia (6mAbD) Silver Trumpet Tree.....	ylw flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$8.90

Gingers & Heliconias

Alpinia galanga (1.8mEdABCD) Galangal.....	(Oct15).....	\$12.90
Alpinia zerumbet Variegata (2m**AbcD)....	Shell Ginger.....	\$12.90
Costus potierae (2m**RfAbcD) Showy Costus.....	white & goldn flwrs....(Jan17).....	\$12.90
Globba winitii (1mAbcD) Thai Beauty ‘Mauve’.....	mauve/wht flwrs....(Mar-Apr17)..	\$14.90
Hedychium coccineum (1.5m*ABCD) Red Ginger Lily...red/salmon flwrs....	(June-July16)..	\$12.90
Hedychium greenii (1.5mAD) Scarlet Ginger Lily.....	(Apr-May16).....	\$13.90
Heliconia angusta ‘Yellow Christmas’ (1.5mAbcD) Yellow Christmas.....	(June-July16)..	\$15.90
Heliconia Rhizomes....	Huge Selection from September till February each Year.....	
Heliconia psittacorum spathocircinata ‘Alan Carle’ (1.5-2mAD).....	(Jan17).....	\$17.90
Mystery Mixed Heliconias.....	Surprise Plant!.....(Apr-May16).....	\$12.90
Zingiber peninsulare (2mABCD) Red Hot Poker.....	(Jan15).....In Pots.....	\$15.90
Zingiber zerumbet ‘Darceyi’ (1.5mABCD) Variegated Shampoo Ginger.....	(Mar-Apr17)...	\$14.90

Ferns

Adiantum polyphyllum (120cmAD) Rare Giant Mystery Maid.....	(Mar-Apr17).....	\$13.90
Asplenium antiquum (70cmABCDe) Japanese Birdsnest.....	(Mar-Apr17).....	\$12.90
Didymochlaena truncatula (1mABCD) Maidenhair Tree Fern.....	(Jan17).....	\$12.90
Dryopteris erythrosors (30cmFABC) Autumn Fern.....	(Feb17).....	\$12.90
Moss (Sept02)...Terraniums, Bonsai and Fern Propagation	per square foot.....	\$9.90
Platycerium veitchii Hybrid (50cm**ABCD) Netherland Elk.....	(Feb17).....	\$15.90
Pteris ensiformis cv. Victoriae (60cmABCD) Victoria Pteris.....	(Mar-Apr17).....	\$12.90

Succulents

Agave attenuata (1.5mABCD) Foxtail.....	(Dec16).....	\$9.90
*Agave desmetiana ‘El Miradores Gold’ (1mABCD) El Miradores Gold....	(Apr15).....	\$9.90
Aloe deltoideodonta (30cmFABCD).....	orgn flwrs.....(Dec16).....	\$12.90
*Epiphyllum guatemalense (60cmEAbcD) Queen of the Night.....	(Oct14).....white flwr..	\$12.90
*Epiphyllum Hybrid ‘Apricot’ (60cmEAbcD) Epiphyllum Apricot.....	(Dec16).....	\$14.90
*Epiphyllum Hybrid ‘Red’ (60cmEAbcD) Epiphyllum Red.....	(Aug-Sept16).....	\$14.90
Euphorbia trigona ‘Red Devil’ (1.8mABCD).....	red leaflets.....(Dec16).....	\$12.90
Euphorbia viguieri (1mABCD) Pink Topped Euphorbia.....	red flwrs.....(Mar-Apr 16)..	\$12.90

Bromellads

Alcantarea imperialis (1mABCD) Giant Bromeliad Imperialis.....	(Jul-Aug16).....	\$19.90
Dyckia brevifolia (20cmAbcD) Pineapple Dyckia.....	orgn-ylw flwrs.....(May-June16)....	\$12.90
Dyckia Warren ‘Brown’ (20cmAbcD).....	orgn flwrs.....(May-June16).....	\$19.90
Vriesea Kalisto (35cmABCD) Kalisto Bromeliad.....	(Jan16).....red flwr.....	\$12.90

Palms & Cycads

Encephalartos msinganus.....	(Aug-Sept16).....	\$29.00
Encephalartos nubimontanus (Blue Form).....	long blu leaves.....(Aug-Sept16)....	\$95.00
Encephalartos whitelockii.....	(Aug-Sept16).....	\$29.00

Orchids

*Dendrobium Hidden Money.....	wht & pnk flwrs....70mm pots.....(Mar-Apr 16).....	\$15.90
Dendrobium Mitzuao White.....	wht flwrs.....70mm pots.....(Sept-Oct16).....	\$19.00
*Dendrobium nobilis (40cmABCD)..	Soft Cane (May 14)..Ppl&Wh70mmpot.....	\$14.90
Epidendrum Raspberry Valley.....	wht flwr.....(Mar-Apr17).....70mm pots....	\$16.90
*Phalaenopsis Fullers Rabbit.....	pnk flwrs.....(Apr-May16).....90mm pots.....	\$24.00
*Phalaenopsis I-Hsin Sakura.....	(Jan15)..... pnk and white flwrs.....70mm pots.....	\$19.90
Rlc. Chief Sunny ‘Dragon’.....	orgne flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17).....70mm pots.....	\$16.90
Rlc. Hawaii Stars ‘Only You’.....	wht & pink flwrs.....70mm pots....(Mar-Apr 16).....	\$15.90
*Rth. Hsinying Sunbeam ‘Juliets’.....	ylw flwrs.....(Sept15).....70mm pots.....	\$19.90
Zygopetalum Scott Peters x Z. Wilpena.....	brown & green, white & purp flwrs...(Dec16)...	\$22.00

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Groundcovers/Borders/Climbers

Bougainvillea 'Golden Dragon' (1.5mVFABcD).....mauve flwrs.....(June-July16).....	\$9.90
Bougainvillea 'Singapore Pink' (1.5mFABcD).....pink flwrs.....(Jan17).....	\$12.90
Evolvulus pilosus 'White' (70cmAbcD) White Evolvulus.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$7.90
Stephanotis floribunda (V*AbCD) Stephanotis.....wht flwrs.....(Apr-May16).....	\$8.90

Foliage Plants

Alocasia micholitziana (1mAbcD) Green Velvet Alocasia.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$12.90
Calathea elliptica 'Vittata' (40mAbcD) Calathea Vittata..(Mar17)..grn leaves&wht stripes..	\$7.90
Cordyline fruticosa 'Kiwi' (2mAbcD) Cordyline Kiwi.....grn & wht stripes.....(Feb17).....	\$7.90
Cordyline fruticosa 'Pink Champion' (2mAbcD) Pink Champion..pnk&grn leaves (Dec16)..	\$7.90
*Cordylines Mixed x 6.....six Different Colours.....six plants.....	\$39.00
Cryptanthus striatum 'Sunshine' (30cm).....brnze...pnk stripes foliage.....(June-July16)..	\$12.90
Dracaena compacta.....(Nov15).....Indoor plant.....	\$9.90
*Dracaena marginata 'Colorata' (4mABCD) Pink Dragon Tree.....(June-July16)..	\$8.90
*Dracaena reflexa aurea Variegata (3mAbcD) Song of India..gold/grn foliage..(Feb-Mar16)	\$12.90
Fittonia albivenis (15-30cmAbD) Fittonia Pink.....pink foliage.....(Feb17).....	\$7.90
Fittonia Jade (15-30cmAbD).....light pink/orange veins...jade grn leaves..(Feb17)...	\$7.90
Fittonia Red Glow (15-30cmAbD).....red/pink veins.....(Feb17).....	\$7.90
Schefflera arboricola (2m**AbcD) Varigated Dwarf Umbrella Tree.....(Jan17).....	\$8.90
Spathyphyllum 'Sensation' (2mAbcD) Giant Spathyphyllum.....(Jan17).....	\$12.90
Thai aglaonema No1.....pink speckled foliage.....(Jan17).....	\$12.90
Thai aglaonema No2.....light pink or white spotted foliage.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$12.90
Thai aglaonema No4.....pink veined & speckled foliage.....(Feb17).....	\$12.90

Shrubs

Anigozanthos 'Tango' (70cmF**ABC) Tango Kangaroo Paw....orng flwrs....(Mar-Apr17)..	\$8.90
Bauhinia galpini (1.5mFmABCD).....red & orange flwrs.....(Feb17).....	\$7.90
Bolusanthus speciosus (6mFmABCD) Tree Wisteria.....blu violet flwrs.....(Feb17).....	\$9.90
Evolvulus pilosus 'White' (70cmAbcD) White Evolvulus.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$7.90
Hamelia patens (3mFmEdABCD) Hummingbird Bush...yllw, red & orange flwrs.....(Feb17)..	\$8.90
Ixora coccinea 'Gold Fire' (1mAbcDe) Ixora Gold Fire.....yllw flwrs.....(Apr-May16).....	\$7.90
Ixora Twilight Glow (50cmAbcD).....orng & red flwrs.....(Apr-May16).....	\$7.90
Ixora williamsii (2mAbcDe).....deep red flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$7.90
Melastroma affine 'Purple' (1-2m**AbcD) Purple Native Tibouchina.....(Mar-Apr17)...	\$7.90
Orthosiphon aristatus 'Alba' syn stramineus(1m**RfAbcD) White Cats Whiskers.(Jan17).	\$7.90
Orthosiphon aristatus 'Purple' (1m**RfAbcD) Purple Cats Whiskers.....(Jan17).....	\$7.90
Osmanthus x burkwoodii (3m*AbCFm) Burkwood Osmanthus....wht flwrs...(Oct-Nov16)..	\$8.90
Pachystachys lutea (90cmAbcD) Golden Candles.....yllw flwrs.....(Feb17).....	\$7.90
Rondeletia leucophylla (4mAbD) Rondeletia Bright Star.....pnk flwrs....(Oct-Nov16).....	\$7.90
Royena lucida (3mAbCD) African Snowdrop Bush.....(Sept-Oct16).....	\$9.90
Russellia equisitiformis 'Red' (1.5mFABCD) Red Coral Bush.....red flwrs....(Mar-Apr17)..	\$7.90
Russellia equisitiformis 'Tangerine Falls' (1.5mFABCD) Firecracker Plant.....(Feb17)....	\$7.90
Strelizia nicholii (7mFmAbcD) Bird of Paradise Tree.....wht & prpl flwrs....(Jul-Aug16)..	\$9.90
Strelizia reginae (1mFABCD) Bird of Paradise.....orange & blue fowrs....(Sept-Oct16)..	\$9.90

Bonsai Starters

Euphorbia millii \$12.90, Schefflera actinophylla \$9.90, Moss \$9.90 per square foot, Pachira aquatica \$8.90, Malpighia glabra \$12.90



Rare Seeds



White Bat Plant

Sit the seeds on top of potting mix in a pot. Don't cover them. You can place the pot on the ground to absorb the warmth from the earth. Try covering the pot with glad wrap.....\$10 for 10 seeds

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UNUSUAL PLANTS

....Brightly Yellow Featherlike Spikes....

MORENII BROMELIAD

Vriesia moreniis a spectacular Bromeliad with long lasting Feather like flowers on a 30cm stem from a funnel of flat leaves. The 'feather heads' are yellow and flower in light to medium shade. It can be grown in a pot in a well drained mix and will multiply. Good indoors but likes humidity. South American in origin most Vriesias are epiphytes that attach themselves to trees.



.....Priced at \$12.90 each (250 Parries)

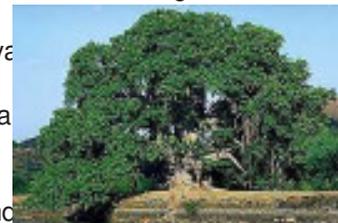


BODHI TREE

(9mAbcD) Ficus religiosa is the famed tree under which the Buddha sat for 6 yrs when he attained enlightenment

(bodhi) at Bodh Gaya in Bihar State India

You will find it in and around every Buddhist Temple!! Also known as the Bo Tree this is a a magnificent signiture tree that can also be kept in a pot. Very popular for Bonsai. Its heart shaped leaves have a pointed drawn out end. It must be



pollinated by a special wasp. Love full sun & can be grown in the shade.

.....Priced at \$12.90 each (200 Parries) or 3 for \$29

Alocasia macrorrhiza 'Black Stem'

(1.5mABCD)

This is a magnificent Elephant Ear with beautifully black veined & black stems contrasting against a great big bright green leaf. The plant will stand about 1.5m with 80cm leaves. Suited to all climates with hot summers but may go into dormancy in cold winter climates. Part to full shade.



.....Priced at \$14.90 each (200 Parries)

RED LEAF NATIVE GINGER

(1m*, **RfEdAbD) Alpinia caerulea, from

the rainforest understorys of Northern NSW and Southern QLD, produces white and purple flowers and attractive long lasting bluey fruit. The fruit is loved by Bower Birds and when chewed has a gingery flavour (as do the roots). It is a clumping upright plant with large interesting shiny leaves. There are only 6 species of Alpinia native to Australia. Light to heavy shade.



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PHILIPPINE ORCHID

(40cmAbcD) *Spathoglottis plicata* is a spectacular ground orchid, giving you eye-catching 30mm purple/pink flowers, in spring and



summer, above its attractive pleated foliage. These are fast growers and the 5cm pseudobulbs will multiply for you. Because of their fast growth remember to keep up their nutrient supply. Good indoors or outside in frost free areas. Go dormant in winter but will bounce back in spring. From moist areas of the Phillipines to India and Tonga. They grow best in light shade and require good light to flower at their best. In 70mm pots.

.....Priced at \$15.90 each (300 Parries)

BROAD-LEAVED PALM LILY

(2-3m**EdABCDE) *Cordyline petiolaris* will present you with big clusters of long lasting bright red edible fruit. Branching spikes of tiny purple flowers. This is an unusual elegant native. It is slender, upright and palm-like with



long linear leaves clustered towards the ends of its stems in radiating whorls. Native to Nthn NSW and Southern QLD. Will grow in all but the coldest climates but is frost tender. Good indoors and as a tub specimen or garden feature plant. Best in semi-shade.

..Priced at \$8.90 (180 Parries) or 3 for \$23

...Unusual Ginger...

SWEET AFRICAN COSTUS

(2mAbcD) *Costus lucanusiansus*.

A collectors Costus it has 2 white, pink and yellow flowers at a time from green bracts. Africa. Foliage makes an attractive feature. Likes a well composted position and moisture. Most of the Gingers can be cut back prior to their spring flush when they reshoot vigorously off a strong rhizome. Will grow in warm temperate areas. Shade or part sun.



.....Priced at \$12.90 (180 Parries) or 3 for \$29

SOURSOP

(6mabcD) *Annona muricata* is an attractive little shade tree will giving you the most delicious fruit to eat fresh, in deserts or as a flavouring with many uses. Very juicy it makes a tangy drink. The big green fruit weighs up to 6kg. Fruit also contains significant



amounts of vitamin C, vitamin B1, and vitamin B2. The fruit, seeds, and leaves have a number of herbal medicinal uses. If you are interested in cancer... read about its well proclaimed cancer killing properties. For warm areas and will fruit in pots (even in temperate areas if protected from the cold.) Full sun.

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Paradise Stock Plants

We are holding stocks of the following plants at the moment. Availability is subject to orders. Descriptions can be found in past catalogues marked in brackets. Symbols are described in back page Key. Flower colour and time are abbreviated after brackets.

Unusuals

- Adenium obesum (2mABCD) Desert Rose Collection (Feb17)..White,Red&Pretty Pink... \$8.90ea
- *Amorphophallus bulbifer (1mABCDe) Snake Lily...Amazing Flwr arrangement..(Feb17).. \$14.90
- *Amorphophallus titanum....Titan Arum Seedlings.....Worlds Largest Flwr.....(Jan16)..... \$45.00
- Bambusa chungii Barbellata (5mFABCD) Baby Blue Bamboo.....(Aug-Sept16)..... \$97.00
- Beaucarnea recurvata (3mFABCDE) Elephant Tree....big round bulbous trnk (Oct-Nov16).. \$7.90
- *Cryptanthus 'Sunshine'.....Mini Flat Bromeliad....stripe bronze & green star..... \$12.90
- *Cryptanthus 'Mars'.....Mini Flat Bromeliad....stripe 2 tone gray star..... \$12.90
- Curcuma longa syn. domestica (70cmEdAD) Wedding Flower.....Cut flwr.....(Jan17).. \$9.90
- Doryanthus palmeri (4m**ABCD) Spear Lily.....(Sept-Oct16)..... \$9.90
- Gigantochloa atroviolacea (10mFmABCD) Java Black Bamboo.....(Aug-Sept16)..... \$69.00
- Hydnophytum ferrugineum (30cmAbcD).....(Dec16)..... \$15.90
- Hydnophytum moseleyanum (QLD) (30cmAbcD).....(Dec16)..... \$22.00
- Pycnostachy urticifolia (2mFmAbCD) Blue Witches Hats.....blu flwrs.....(Jan17).... \$9.90
- Scilla ovalifolia (15cmFABCD) Spotted Lily.....(Oct-Nov16)..... \$9.90
- Zamioculcas zamiifolia (60cmAbD) Zanzibar Gem.....(Jan17)..... \$14.90
- Zingiber aromaticum Syn. Zingiber zerumbet (L) Smith (2mEdAbcD).....(Jan17).... \$15.90

Food & Herbal Plants

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- Alpinia galanga (1mEdABCD)..Galangal (May07)..... \$9.90
- Annona muricata (6mabcD) Soursop.....(Feb17)..... \$12.90
- Azadirachta indica (8mABCD) Neem Tree.....(Oct-Nov16)..... \$12.90
- Curcuma longa (70cmEdAD) Turmeric.....(Feb17)..... \$9.90
- Dactylis glomerata (30cmAbcd) Cat Grass....(Dec16).....medicinal grass for dogs & cats.. \$8.90
- Fragaria vesca (15cmEdFABCD) Alpine Strawberry.....9Feb17)..... \$8.90
- Hylocereus undatus (4.5mAbcD) Pink Dragonfruit.....1212.....(Aug-Sept16)..... \$14.90
- Ocimum gratissimum (2mABCD) Holy Basil.....(Dec16)..... \$29.00
- Pittosporum phillyreoides syn.angustifolium (3m*,**ABCD) Gumby Gumby..(Feb17).. \$12.90
- Zingiber officianale (1mEdAbcD) Edible Ginger.....in pots..... \$7.90

Cancer Cell Killing Plants ...These plants have a reputation for killing cancer cells in laboratory situations. Also immune system stimulants.
Gumby Gumby, Turmeric, Soursop & Zingiber aromaticum.... All available now.

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for Tiny Prices!**



COPPER TOPS

(1m**RfEdAbCD) *Austromyrtus tenuifolia* 'Copper Tops'. This one is topped with attractive copper toned new growth. There are very few of this beautiful little plant left in its native habitat in NSW and QLD. Its dense unusual narrow foliage has a splendid compact soft appearance. White flowers in summer or autumn, followed by whitish edible berries. A great specimen, hedge or screen plant, suited to all frostfree areas. Part shade to full sun if well mulched.Priced at \$3.90



**....Soft Weeping Dark Green Foliage....
Baecckia virgata 'Dwarf'**

(1m**FABCD) This is a profuse white flowering dainty little densely foliated weeping native which will flower prolifically from spring. The flowers are white and tiny and star shaped while the foliage is dark green fine and needle like. Frost resistant. Full sun or part shade.Priced at \$3.90



Brunfelsia 'Compacta'

(1m*ABCD) The curious fragrant flowers on this one start off rich purple, change to lavender and then to white all in successive days. The result is that all three colours appear on this compact small shrub at the one time. Masses of flowers in spring and summer. For all but the coldest climates. Full sun or part shade.Priced at \$3.90



IVORY CURL FLOWER

(3mRfFmABCDe) *Buckinghamia celcissima* will present you with long hanging cascades of sweetly scented creamy white flowers in summer. Branches are held close to the ground making it an excellent screen plant. From the higher altitude rainforests of Nth QLD. Good in the garden or in a tub. Full sun or part shade.Priced at \$3.90



AZALEA EXQUISITE

(1.5mABCD) *Azalea indica* 'Exquisite' will give you masses of beautiful lilac pink flowers with a red throat in winter & spring. This is a small strong growing Azalea. Grow this one in a cool moist position, free from lime. Excellent in the garden or in a patio pot. Originally native to Japan, Azaleas will grow in cool and warm frostfree areas. Part shade is best.Priced at \$3.90



STROMANTHE 'DAZZLER'

(90cmAbcd) *Stromanthe sanguinea* The cream, pink and green tones will dazzle you and brighten up any garden or room. This is an absolutely brilliant ever-green shade loving foliage plant. Loves growing in a pot or in the garden. Likes shade and is proven indoors. Big strapping leaves about 30-40 cm long and 7cm wide. This is a clumping plant from Honduras and it develops on a creeping rhizome. Appreciates humidity but is quite a resilient plant. Medium shade.Priced at \$12.90 each (180Parries).



ZINGIBER 'SILVER STREAKS'

(1.4mABCD) *Zingiber collinsii* 'Darceyi' Silver Streaks' is an absolute stunner with eye-catching red basal cones appearing freely in spring and summer. Its beautiful foliage is marked with vivid silver markings. Multiple stems to 1.4m. The oblong cones emerge at the base on their own short individual stems. It dies down for winter and reemerges in spring. This means it can be grown in colder areas. Keep the rhizomes warm & dryish in winter. Grow in light shade to morning sun.Priced at \$15.90 each (250 Parries)



**...Very Large Indoor & Patio Figs...
FICUS MIDNIGHT
BEAUTY**

(2m+ABCD) *Ficus benjamina* 'Midnight Beauty'. These lovely ornamental figs are suited to pots inside or the patio. Dark green glossy leaves all over. Water sparingly. They will flourish in shade or full sun. Can be grown as bonsais.Priced at \$7.90 each



***NEEM TREE**

(8mABCD) *Azadirachta indica*. Often called the Wonder Tree, the Neem has been used for centuries in Asia against insects and for many medicinal purposes. The natural insecticide Azadirachtin can be extracted from the seeds of the Neem Tree. The plant itself will protect other plants from insects. Extracts are also made from the leaves and for health and agricultural purposes. The full story fills a book. Good shade and good in a tub. Native to NE India this is an attractive long lived evergreen fast growing tree. Drought resistant it has a reputation for good growth on dry infertile, stoney, acidic and poor soils. A good shade tree it has prolific white flowers and fruit with an olive like appearance. Does not like frost. Full sun. Priced at \$12.90 (180 Parries) or 3 for \$29



Small Plants for Tiny Prices Stocklist

*Agave desmettiana 'El Miradores Gold' (1mABCD) El Miradores Gold.....(Apr-May16)..	\$2.50
Backhousea myrtifolia (3m**RfABCDe) Carol.....wht flwrs.....(Feb17).....	\$3.90
Baleria Obtusa 'Purple Dazzler' (1mAbcd).....prpl flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17)..	\$3.90
Calliandra haematocephala 'Hula Girl' (1.5mAbcd) Calliandra Hula Girl.....(Feb17)....	\$3.90
*Dietes bicolor (1mFABCDE) Spanish Iris.....yflw flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$3.90
Grevillea Strawberry Sundae (1m).....(Mar-Apr17).....pnk flwrs.....	\$3.90
Melaleuca linariifolia 'Claret Tops' (4m**FABCD) Claret Tops.....red flwrs.....(Feb17)..	\$3.90
Leptospermum scoparium 'Burgundy Queen' (1.5m**FABCD) Burgundy TeaTree.....	\$3.90
Philodendron Xanadu.....dark glossy green leaves.....(Mar-Apr17).....	\$3.90
Tulbaghia violacea (35cmFABCDE) Society Garlic.....pnk lilac flwrs.....(Mar-Apr17)....	\$3.90

THE ABOVE PLANTS IN SMALL 45-50MM POTS

**Thank you for all those Referrals.
They are greatly Appreciated.**

COLOUR SHRUBS

..Hard to Get Climber..Lilac Flowers..

GARLIC VINE

(VAbcD) *Mansoa alliacea* (syn. *Pseudocalymma alliaceum*) is not commonly available and will present you with very large heads of dark-mauve to lilac trumpet flowers in summer. This is a spectacular climber from tropical America and wants a warm temperate to tropical climate. Full sun.....Priced at \$8.90 each (180 Parries)



WILD IRIS

(1mFABCD) *Diets iridioides* (syn. *vegeta*) This is a clumping plant with straplike arching foliage and lovely white Iris like flowers with yellow and a dash of purple in the centres. Good border, rocky and back-ground plant or can be mass planted.. Native to South Africa. For all climates this plant is very hardy and frost resistant. Semi shade to full sun.Priced at \$7.90 (150 Parries) or 3 for \$21



IXORA PINK MALAY

(1mAbcDE) *Ixora 'Pink Malay'* will surprise you with its startling groups of large soft pink flowers on spikes. Dark shiny leaves.Priced at \$7.90 each



PINK RAIN LILY

(20cmFmABCDE) *Zephyranthes grandiflora*. Lovely light pink yellow anthered erect flowers a little like small asiatic lillies come forth in summer and autumn. This is a fine clumping plant with strap-like green foliage. Bulbs about 25mm wide develop and multiply greatly in little time. Great as a border, in a rockery or pot.Priced at \$7.90 each (150 Parries)



..Magnificent Native...Loves Full Sun..
HOYA AUSTRALIS

(V**AbcD) *Hoya Australis* Lovely native Hoya with large clusters of starshaped fragrant white red centred flowers. This hoyo loves full sun and its leaves will grow bigger and thicker with more light. Can dry out a little between waterings. Like all Hoyas do not over pot and doesn't mind being root bound. Remember hoyas are epiphytes growing high up on rainforest trees. Full sun to light shade. Moderate climates.Priced at \$8.90 (150 Parries)



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FABULOUS ORCHIDS

Dendrobium Bubblegum

Violet blue hardcane type, flowers from compact plants. Shade-house, but does best with solid roof cover in a bright but indirect light position. These plants are in 70mm pots and are 150mm tall.Priced at \$17.90.



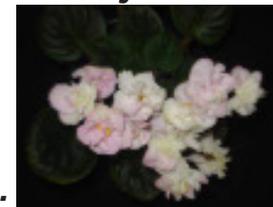
Phalaenopsis Lianher Golden Beauty

New release moth orchid, bright golden yellow, red in the lip. Low light grower, indoors best or a warm protected outdoor spot, similar to fern position. These plants are in 70mm pots and are 150mm tall.Priced at \$17.90



Five African Violet Hybrids

We have five: **Tribute to Bill, Crystal Gazer, Pac Sui, Col Mt Remarkable, & Ice Princess.** Tell us what you have and we will get you different ones.\$8.90 each.. 3 for \$25,5 for \$39



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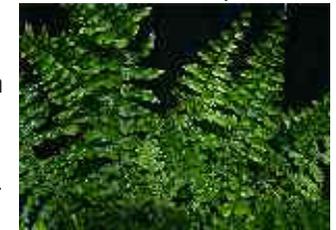
HOLLY FERN

(1mABCD) *Cyrtomium falcatum* Attractive highly serrated slender fronds like a birdsnest fern and flushes of growth in rosettes making an appealing pot and hanger fern. Dwarf growth habit and is good indoors or in the bushhouse or rockery. Suited to all climates. Filtered light. Sent in 100mm pots.....Priced at \$12.90 each (160 Parries)



TEDDY JUNIOR (50cmABCD) *Nephrolepis exaltata 'Teddy Junior'* is a handsome compact fern

with both light and dark green semi weeping fronds. In a hanging basket will hang to the bottom of the pot. Indoors or out. Shade.Priced at \$12.90 each (160 Parries)



Phlebodium aureum mandianum (1m**ABCD) 'Tasselled Form' Syn. *Polypodium*. This is a very unusual native fern with large broad wavy fronds that grow to a massive one metre. This is a lovely tasselled form. Grows on a Rhizome. Makes a good basket, pot or garden plant in a damp position. Sent in 100 mm pots.Priced at \$12.90 (160 Parries)
....THESE THREE FERNS FOR \$38



BLUE AMARYLLUS

Worsleya procera

This is the legendary Blue Amaryllus. One of the worlds most sought after plants. These young worlseyas



are in a 110mm pot standing 35cm tall out of the pot with a base diameter of 1.3cm. From top of the pot to the tip of the tallest leaf is 40cm tall. These Worsleyas have individual nicknames.

.....Priced at \$75

Also for sale....

65cm tall in 250mm pot for \$350.

85cm tall in 330mm pot for \$970.

DIABETES PLANT

(1mEdABCD) *Gynura procumbens* aka Plant of Longevity, Sambung. Has a reknowned reputation as a blood balancer. Reports are that if Diabetics eat

6-12 leaves a day they will no longer require insulin. Scientific studies on rats verify this. Satisfy yourself



by googling this plant and searching YouTube. Diabetes Plant is reputed to have other medicinal values like lowering cholesterol, lowering blood pressure and inhibiting cancer cells. *Gynura* tastes fine and can be eaten raw, in smoothies, salads and stir fries. Good in a tea. Fast growing in all areas....fleshy leaved evergreen. Full sun light shade.

.....Priced at \$8.90 each (150 Parries)

or 3 for \$23 or 5 for \$39

RED PASSION FLOWER

(V*FEdAD) *Passiflora coccinea* will make your heart throb with its big

(12cm) red fragrant showy flowers....they are bright scarlet red with white, purple and light pink



colors on the corona. Large lobed leaves with lovely soft red hairs & red tinged stems. This is a hard to get vine from South America. Edible & delicious 5cm orange -yellow fruit. Takes frost as it is deciduous in colder inland & tablelands winters. Plant in well drained conditions in full sun.

..Priced at \$12.90 (200 Parries)

or 3 for \$29

...Worlds Largest Flower!...

TITAN ARUM SEEDLINGS

Amorphophallus titanum. Biggest flower on the planet! The flower arises from an underground tuber which can grow to 90kg! It takes several years to get to flowering size.

The flower gets to 3m tall & 1.5m wide!! The plant itself comes up & dies down each year & its thick green patterned stem can be 20cm through and usually 3-6 metres tall...it unfurls to a single leaf. A very ununusual sight. The dormant period for it here is winter & this means the plant can be grown here. The true flower is inside the green spathe with amazing male & female flower parts. Full sun to part shade.

.....Priced at \$45 each seedlings

Titan Arum - Second Year Plants.....\$65 each



APRIL - MAY

ANTHURIUM COLLECTION 1

Anthurium

(60cmABCD) Unusual and hard to get, with a bright red spathe & purple spadix. Its beautiful pointed

bright green foliage Readily clumps and multiplies. Bred for mass flowering and cold hardiness. Filtered light.

Anthurium 'Red Queen'

Dark glossy red flower with dark red spadix. Ideal as a indoor plant or plant in a shady spot or a pot in well lit area away from direct light.



Priced at \$12.90 each or 3 for \$23

APRIL - MAY

ANTHURIUM COLLECTION 2

Anthurium Yellow

(75cmAbcD) Medium bright yellow medium flowers and yellow spathe. Into winter the flowers turn pinkish. Long flowering .



Anthurium 'Black Queen'

Large almost black flowers. Bred for massive flowering, clumping, disease resistance and cold tolerance. Recent new Dutch hybrid.



Collection of Two Priced at \$27

OUR HOYA COLLECTION

A Home is not a HomeWithout a Hoya



APRIL - MAY HOYA COLLECTION 1

HOYA AUSTRALIS (M) *Hoya australis*. Shiny ovate shaped leaves with clusters of white waxy triangler petal flowers with a red and white centre.

.....\$8.90 (180 Parries)

HOYA POTTSII - Will present you with a large of cluster of shiny white with a yellow center star shaped flowers with a pleasant fragrance.

.....\$9.90 each (200 Parries)

HOYA 'RED BUTTONS' (C) *Hoya publicalyx* 'Red Buttons' Exciting flowers. Big 10cm clusters of dark red fuzzy white edged flowers.

.....\$8.90 (160 Parries)

THESE THREE HOYA FOR \$31.00

APRIL - MAY HOYA COLLECTION 2

CUMINGIANA (W) - *Hoya cumingiana* - a sturdy non twining hoya with strongly perfumed star like pointed yellow flowers.

.....\$8.90 (150Parries)

HOYA CORIACEA - Will present you with huge umbels of up to 50 flowers! Light lime yellow with long silky hairs on the petals. The crown of the flower is very waxy and pure white to pale pink with a mauve centre (corona). This is a fast grower which you will love instantly.

.....\$9.90 (170 Parries)

HOYA HEUSCHKELIANA Pink urn shaped flowers in clusters. Yellow blend and have butterscotch/caramel fragrance.

.....\$9.90 each (140 Parries)

THESE THREE HOYA FOR \$27.00

APRIL - MAY HOYA COLLECTION 3

HOYA MULTIFLORA 'SHOOTING STAR'

(1maD) Flowers will suprise you, so amazing they come to you like shooting stars. The star shaped are bright yellow, white with a dab of pink centrally. Full sun to part shade.

.....Priced at \$12.90 each

HOYA 'HAWAIIAN ROYAL PURPLE' - Hoya with clusters of 20-30 pink to black flowers with deep red centres. Happy under shade down to 0o C in winter. Part shade.

.....\$8.90 (150Parries)

HOYA CINNAMOMIFOLIA - (VABcD) Great big balls of lime green maroon centred flowers. Big beautifully shaped & heavily veined leaves on this climber. Filtered light to morning sun..Priced at \$12.90 each (200 Parries).

THESE THREE HOYA FOR \$29.00

Key to Cold Tolerance: Letter after Hoya Name: C=Cool Growing, M= Intermediate Temperatures W=Warm Growing-Sub Tropical+ Note: Cool Growing will also thrive in the hotter conditions but the warm growing do not appreciate the cooler conditions.



DELICIOUS PLANTS

Delicious Apr-May Collection 1

Pink Dragonfruit

(4.5mAbcD) **Hylocereus undatus**. Excellent pink fruit (1kg). Pink flesh. Will grow any where. Fragrant white flowers. Full sun or bright light....Priced at \$14.90 ea (250 Parries)



Burdekin Plum

(8mEd**ABCD) **Pleiogynum timorense**. Lovely native tree with edible purple plum like fruits. Full sun or light shade.



.....Priced at \$9.90 (150 Parries) or 3 for \$25

Tahitian Lime

(3mEdFmABC) **Citrus aurantifolia**. Highly favoured small seedless fruit. Popular in asian cooking. Most climates. Takes frost....Priced at \$12.90 ea (200 Parries)



ALL THREE FOR \$29

Delicious Apr-May Collection 2

Turmeric

(70cmEdABCD) **Curcuma longa**. One of the worlds most potent herbs for cure & prevention incl. cancer & dementia. Spice for your foods. Full sun or shade.Priced at \$9.90 or 3 For \$25



Tamarind

(20cmEdAbcD) **Tamarindus indica**. 15cm long juicy fruits. Many uses for food flavoring. Also can be made into a drink. Full Sun.



...Priced at \$9.90 (150 Parries) or 3 for \$25

Black Sapote

(5mEdAD) **Diospyros digyna**. Pulp looks and tastes like fine chocolate mousse! Eat fresh or after freezing.



.....Priced at \$9.90 each or 3 for \$25
ALL THREE FOR \$25.00

Delicious Apr-May Collection 3

Galangal

(1.8mEdABCD) **Alpinia galanga** Highly sought ginger for its cooking value & medicine. Full sun or part shade....Priced at \$9.90 (150 Parries) or 3 for \$25



Soursop

(6mEdabcD) **Annona muricata**. Attractive little shade tree will give you the most delicious fruit to eat fresh. Very juicy and makes a tangy drink. Contains vitamin C, B1 and B2. For warm areas. Full sun.



.....Priced at \$12.90 (200 Parries) or 3 for \$29

Diabetes Plant

(1mEdABCD) **Gynura procumbens**. Has reknowned reputation as a blood balancer. Tastes fines and be eaten raw or in smoothies, salads and stir fries. Good in tea. shade.\$8.90 each (150 Parries) or 3 for \$23 or 5 for \$39



ALL THREE FOR \$29.00

Delicious Apr-May Collection 4

EDIBLE GINGER PLANTS

(1mEdAbcD) **Zingiber officinale**. Grow your own delicious ginger...let it clump..eat the rhizome. Full sun or part shade. Deciduous.



.....Priced at \$8.90 each (150 Parries)

GIANT RED CHERRY GUAVA

(4mEdABCD) **Psidium littorale 'Red Giant'**. Produces you extra large cherry guavas. Fruit is usually ready in late summer & autumn in tropical climates. Full sun or shade.Priced at \$8.90 or 3 for \$23



KWAI MUK

(4mFmEdAbc) **Artocarpus hypargyraeus**. They say 'the ugliest fruit' with the best flavour. Can be eaten raw, preserved or sun dried. Warm climates. Can take light frost. Full sun.



.....Priced at \$12.90 (250Parries)
ALL THREE FOR \$28.00

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Buddhas Hand Elephant Ear \$12.90 each



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NEWSLETTER APRIL - MAY 2017

Welcome to your April-May Catalogue. Thankyou for your orders last month...it was a pleasure to send them to you. Hope you enjoy this acatalogue and the fabulous autumn.
...From Bob & Bev Chalmers

DID YOU KNOW

*Some of us put Heliconias and Gingers in the same class but they are very different especially the way they flower. They do grow off rhizomes however. The larger Heliconias are usually sent as rhizomes and they only strike when its hot (30o + days). So excepting the smaller growing heliconias which can go in pots we only send from late September thru to mid March. Gingers however we can send in pots and we send all year.

*A star in the sky (like our sun) is a ball of gas made of hydrogen and helium and is so massive that that the pressure inside causes nuclear reactions that produce amazing heat and light ...like our sun. There are 200 billion stars in our galaxy the Milky Way ! One in five stars have planets in orbit around them like our solar system...just like the earth revolving around our star ..the sun.

*Plants get their energy from the sun in a process called photosynthesis upon which all life on earth depends. The formula in words for photosynthesis is ` Carbon Dioxide + Water + Light Energy = Carbohydrates + Oxygen. The Chlorophyll in plants is what absorbs the light energy and puts it to work. Chlorophyll is what makes plants green.

Respect Science but it is not a God....not even close...

* If the road to the complete knowledge of how nature works is 1,000km long, science has only moved 3km along the path of understanding. Afterall western science as we know it is barely 100 years old.

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It is updated Regularly

A head Buddhist Monk in Tibet was recently asked what is the nature of the matrix of energy that scientists have now measured in the `so called' empty spaces of the Universe. The monk said in human terms the nature of this energy is `COMPASSION'.The magnetic energy pumped out by the heart (as measured by science) is equivalent to the energy of the universal matrix of energy. Compassion is pumped from the heart and transmitted to those that are open to receive.

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TRUE LIES. One day a man goes to the Nambour pet shop to buy a parrot. The assistant takes the man to the parrot section and asks the man to choose one. The man asks, "How much is the yellow one?" The assistant says, "\$2000." The man is shocked and asks the assistant why it's so expensive. The assistant explains, "This parrot is a very special one. He knows typewriting and can type really fast." "What about the green one?" the man asks. The assistant says, "He costs \$5000 because he knows typewriting and can answer incoming telephone calls and takes notes." "What about the red one?" the man asks. The assistant says, "That one's \$10,000." The man says, "What does he do?" The assistant says, "I don't know, but the other two call him boss."

WHAT ARE THE CHANCES OF LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS

The possibility of life on other planets in our Universe is virtually a certainty if you consider these facts presented by Dr. Alan Duffy in the ABCs podcast on April 6th.

Think about this...I had to write it down to imagine the enormity of the numbers. Our solar system has 8 planets and one star called the sun. We are part of the medium sized galaxy called the Milky Way. Our nearest neighbouring Galaxy is called Andromeda and it is twice as big as the Milky Way.

In our Galaxy alone there more than 100 billion stars and 100 million of those stars are just like and as big as the sun! On average 1 in 5 stars has at least one planet like earth revolving around it !!

Now if that wasnt big enough there are several hundred billion galaxies in the universe !!! Scientists have estimated several septillion stars in the universe (ie 10 with 24 noughts) One Septillion looks like 1,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 so several might be 3,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 stars in the universe. So if 1 in 5 has a planet like earth there are something like 600,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 planets like earth in the universe. **SO**

WHAT ARE THE CHANCES OF LIFE ON OTHER PLANETS

.....What would the plants look like ??



HOW TO VISUALISE WHATEVER YOU WANT TO GET - 5 Second Method

Did you know that most of us (99.3%) can only deeply focus on something for a few seconds and then the mind drifts onto other matters. When trying to focus on achieving a goal...we quickly start thinking of why we cant do it or other negatives and sidetrackers.

1. Know what you want and if it requires several steps write them down to start with. So over 5 seconds only, visualise what you want and the steps to get there. See the journey as fun.

2. Now over 4 seconds only, visualise actually having what you want. See it, smell it, feel it, hear it experience it and have fun with it. To get it you have to feel as if you already have it and do it without judgement whether its possible or not.

NB Now keep in mind if what you want is borne from the ego (fear, greed, need etc) this dont work. What you want has to come from love... and the feeling you develop then comes from the heart which is in tune with the boundless energy and unlimited support of the universe. Remember what love is...compassion, passion, selflessness, courage, fun, energy, persistence, non-judgemental, creation and more

