

ALL AMERICA SELECT – JUDGE’S SCORE

Were corms received in good condition? _____ Number of corms received: _____ Revised 2023

Code # of Seedling _____ Total Score _____ Date Emerged _____ Trial Year _____

Description: _____

Classification Number: _____ Days to Bloom: _____ Field Height: _____ Head Length: _____ Bud Count: _____ Florets Open: _____

Circle One – Florets are: Heavily Ruffled _____ Ruffled _____ Waved _____ Plain _____

Judging specific growing traits

Circle one number in each row which best represents your opinion. Column one would be considered “excellent”; and column two, “very good”. Circles in these two columns would mean this glad could be considered for introduction. Column three would be considered “just average” and column four “below average. Any circles in the last two columns should make this glad **NOT** worthy of introduction.

Criteria	Very		Below		
	Excellent	Good	Average	Average	
Beauty & Appeal	30	25	20	10	The glad may or may not be a show glad, but should be viewed for its beauty, appeal, and growing habits for the average gardener. Because of varying weather conditions, we would like you to compare each trial entry with other gladiolus blooming in your garden at the same time. If you provide an average or below average rating for any of the first six criteria listed to the left, you should question whether this entry is worthy of introduction. <u>You will notice the last criteria listed is “Should be Introduced”. Avoid considering personal biases regarding color and size. On this item, if you circle “10” or “8”, we will consider this as an indication of being “Worthy of Introduction”. if you circle “6” or “4”, we will consider this as an indication of “NOT Worthy of Introduction”.</u>
Plant Health	20	15	10	5	
Distinctive	10	8	6	4	
Free of Crooking	10	8	6	4	
Attachment & Opening	10	8	6	4	
Corm Health	10	8	6	4	
Should be Introduced **	10	8	6	4	

TOTAL SCORE OF CRITERIA LISTED: _____ PLEASE ENTER THE TOTAL SCORE ON THE BLANK AT THE TOP OF THIS FORM*

*If your total score is below 60, enter 60 on top of page.

**A rating of “10” or “8” for “Should be Introduced” will be considered as an indication of being “Worthy of Introduction”.

Also, Rate the entry’s cormel production (circle): Excellent _____ Very Good _____ Average _____ Below Average _____

Comments: _____

You are required to destroy all stock at the end of the growing season to protect the hybridizer and the cataloger who purchases it. NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU LIKE IT, IT IS NOT YOUR PROPERTY OR YOURS TO KEEP. You may exhibit two spikes at Shows and any awards and compensation is yours.

RETURN THIS FORM BY OCTOBER 31

SIGNATURE: _____

Clarification of several items that you are asked to evaluate: “Days to Bloom” is the number of days from planting until the bottom two buds are opened; “Field Height” is the measurement the distance from the ground to the tip of the top flower bud in inches; “Head Length” is the measurement from the bottom flower to the tip of the spike in inches; “Bud Count” is the number of buds on the entire spike when the bottom two flower buds have opened; “Florets Open” is a count of the maximum number of open flowers starting at the bottom bud.

A rating of “10” or “8” for “Should be Introduced” will be considered by the committee, as an indication of that entry as being “Worthy of Introduction. We notice that some gardeners will put “Should be Introduced” on a glad that scores 80 or above and others will put “not worthy of introduction” at 82 or 83. This is okay as long as you are consistent. We notice that some gardeners will score higher across the board and others score lower across the board. This is why we have not set a certain score as worthy of introduction. Consistency by each gardener will come up with the best results.

As a trial gardener you MUST DESTROY all corms and cormels at the end of the season, no matter how much you like it or how pretty it is. Only each gardener’s honesty makes this system work. This is to protect the hybridizer and catalogers. Catalogers are asked not to infringe on other catalogers with AAS introductions for five years unless you have received permission. When you have received permission, please notify Jim Green so he can make a note of it. If you love the glad, purchase it, use it for shows, cut flowers, hybridize it, but please do not list it. Yes, we realize accidental mistakes can be made. Thank you for your service as a gardener. During the trial gardens you may show the glad and hybridize with it.

To help the tabulator and the catalogers that want to introduce entries as a new AAS and list them in their new catalog, please have your score sheets sent to the tabulator by October 31. Please keep a copy of your judge’s score sheet for each of the glad entries that you evaluate for the AAS Trials. The NAGC will oversee all AAS trials and gardens and makes no warrants or guarantees of the stock that you will receive. All score sheets can be viewed at the AAS meeting at the annual NAGC convention. Thanks for your valuable assistance with hosting an AAS trial garden.

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