

GOAG  
selected for  
toughness,  
beauty, and/  
or tastiness.



FEBRUARY GOLD  
DAFFODILS BLOOMED  
LATE AND LASTED



BOWL OF MEATY  
TOMATOBERRY  
FRUITS



GREEN TWISTER  
CONEFLOWER ADDED  
COLOR AND TEXTURE

# 2019 MOSSEES



## BEAUTIFUL, PRODUCTIVE, TOUGH

In the spirit of awards season and to help with planning for this year, here's a list of some of the best garden performances from last season. These plants were selected for their productivity, resistance, resilience, hardiness, and beauty in rough situations, like community plots, small yards, parkways, dry slopes, wet spaces, woodland gardens, and rooftop containers.

Cheese pumpkins  
have huge mottled  
leaves, big yellow  
flowers, lush vines,  
& tasty pumpkins

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2019 MOSSIES are tough as nails, approved for beginners, and interesting for experts. The categories cover ornamental, vegetable, and eclectic gardening. The selections range from the common to the obscure, but in most cases all are easy to find and just as easy to grow.

1. Overall Performance - Cheese pumpkins (*Cucurbita moschata*)
2. Container Performance - Mexican Petunia (*Ruellia*)
3. Lily - Madonna Lily (*Lilium candidum*)
4. Daffodil - February Gold Daffodil (*Narcissus* 'February Gold')
5. Aroid - Green Dragon (*Arisaema dracontium*)
6. Winter Flower - Witch Hazel (*Hamamelis* 'Brevipetala')
7. Spring Flower - Virginia Bluebells (*Mertensia virginica*)
8. Summer Flower - Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)
9. Fall Flower - Sparkling Rain Lily (*Zephyranthes candidum*)
10. New Flower - Green Twister Coneflower (*Echinacea* 'Green Twister')
11. Herb - Horapha (*Ocimum basilicum thyrsiflora*)
12. Fruit Tree/Shrub - Early Gold Pear (*Pyrus* 'Early Gold')
13. Tree/Bonsai - Stinking Cedar (*Torreya taxifolia*)
14. Tomato - Tomatoberry (*Solanum* 'Tomatoberry')
15. Leafy Green - Minuet Chinese Cabbage (*Brassica rapa* 'Minuet')
16. Veggie - Hansel Eggplant (*Solanum* 'Hansel')
17. Vine - Moonflower - (*Ipomoea alba*)
18. Volunteer - Flame flower (*Talinum calycinum*)
19. Design Wow! - Evening Island Siberian Iris
20. Worst Problem - Fox Squirrel (*Sciurus niger*)



Swamp milkweed's prolific fragrant flowers attracted more butterflies and pollinators than anything else this summer.



Evening Island's swath of Siberian irises framed by sumacs, alliums, and grasses made for a stunning view.



Minuet Chinese Cabbage produced tasty succulent loose heads. It is similar to Orient Express but stays smaller for earlier harvest.