

Busy Lizzies Are Back Without The Risk

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NEW Beacon™ Exhibits High Resistance to Impatiens Downy Mildew

Ball Colegrave is thrilled to re-launch the Busy Lizzie to the UK horticultural industry.

Impatiens Beacon™ offers season-long performance and brings back fast-filling colour to the garden ... without the disease risk!

- Highly resistant to downy mildew
- Easy to grow on the nursery
- High colour impact at retail
- Strong & durable in the garden - will flourish in all weathers
- Plant with confidence in patio containers, baskets, window boxes and flower beds

2019 is the pre-launch year for Beacon™ with limited availability - [See below on how to order plugs for this season!](#)

Full commercial introduction and availability begins in 2020.



Impatiens Beacon Coral

Breeding breakthrough

Since the widespread outbreak of Impatiens Downy Mildew (IDM) some years ago, many growers and retailers hesitated to stock this key bedding plant and home gardeners have been mourning the loss of a much loved garden favourite.

Now, through devoted breeding efforts and collaboration that has spanned the globe, our sister breeding company PanAmerican Seed has developed Beacon™ a new Impatiens that is highly resistant to downy mildew.

“Growers, retailers and home gardeners have been waiting for the chance to bring Impatiens back...without the risk”, says Sandy Shepherd, Ball Colegrave MD.

“Plant structure, flowering time and flower size is similar to existing Impatiens series, so Beacon™ is easy to incorporate into production planning, says Stuart Lowen, Ball Colegrave Marketing Manager. “There’s no special plant culture required for Beacon™ to be successful. So, for lasting colour in the garden, you can rely on Beacon™ to thrive”.

We have been growing trials at West Adderbury of the new Beacon series against regular walleriana Impatiens. These plants were inoculated with the IDM spores and the results are incredible!

See Beacon™ at the Summer Showcase

Beacon™ Impatiens will have its UK debut at the 2019 Ball Colegrave Trade Summer Showcase (July 15th to August 2nd).

Book in your visit [HERE](#)

There are currently 6 core colours; Bright Red, Coral, Orange, Salmon, Violet Shades, White and a Mix in the series.

Order your plugs now!

For the 2019, Beacon™ Mixed will be available, subject to availability and will be limited to a **maximum of 5 trays per customer**.

If you would like to grow this new variety on your nursery, please contact your local Technical Sales Representative or [Customer Services](#). But hurry as stocks are limited!

The full commercial availability of Impatiens Beacon™ will begin in 2020.



Impatiens Beacon White



Impatiens Beacon Mixed

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