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1 Claim

The present invention comprises a new and distinct cultivar of chrysanthemum plant which is a sport of the cultivar known in the United States as Tally Ho, illustrated and described in our copending patent application Ser. No. 153,457, filed June 15, 1971.

The new cultivar is similar in many respects to Tally Ho, having the same characteristics of:

- (1) Plant habit.
- (2) Flowering response and period.
- (3) Flower size and form.

The new cultivar is distinguished from Tally Ho by its light bronze flower color, when grown under comparable conditions.

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weeks, and the following detailed description is based on observations made of the new cultivar in a greenhouse in Barberton, Ohio. The response time, blooming period, color, and total vigor may vary significantly with varying environmental conditions such as temperature, day length, and light intensity. Suggested flowering in the northern and western United States is from October through May; Florida, December through April.

The accompanying photographic drawing shows the unique characteristics of the new cultivar, the color being as nearly true as possible with color illustrations of this type. In the drawing, the new cultivar appears on the left and the parent cultivar Tally Ho on the right.

In the description which follows, color references are to the Munsell Color Book, 1963 edition, and comparisons are made with the cultivar Tally Ho. Where only a single value or description appears for the new cultivar, the same value or description applies to the parent cultivar as well.

Botanical classification: *Chrysanthemum morifolium*

	Westward Ho	Tally Ho
Bloom:		
Size	2½-3¼	
Fully expanded	4¼"	
Borne	Clusters on elongated pedicels	
Stems	Wiry and strong	
Form	Decorative	
Permanence	10-14 days	
Color:		
Center of flower	Light yellow, 2.5Y8.5/6	Light beige, 7.5Y R8/4.
Base of petals	Yellow, 7.5Y8.5/8	Pink, 2.5RP8/4.
Inside of petals	Bronze, 2.5Y R5/8 to buff, 10Y R9/1, streaking pink, 7.5R8/4 with extreme age.	Lavender pink, 2.5RP8/4.
Reverse of petals	Yellow bronze, 5Y R8/4 to buff, 5Y R9/1	Lavender pink, 5RP8/4.
Tonality from a distance	Light bronze	Salmon pink.
Discoloration	Buff	Do.
Petals:		
Texture	Smooth	
Appearance and form	Open at base, flat, broadens quickly; long and narrow terminating in a sharp point.	
Arrangement	Composite, whorled on a single receptacle	
Persistence	Resists shatter	
Fragrance	Typical chrysanthemum	
Reproductive organs:		
Stamen, anthers	0-5	
Pollen	None	
Arrangement	Clustered in center of flower, if present	
Styles	Present both ray and disc florets	
Length	Short	
Ovaries	At the base of petal attached to receptacle	
Plant:		
Form	Herbaceous	
Growth	Upright	
Height	Approximately 46" when grown as a single stem crop given 3-5 long day weeks and a total of 13-14 week crop time for the various seasons of the year as defined in the timetables published by Yoder Brothers, Inc.	
Spread	None when grown single stem to slight when pinched	
Foliage:		
Top side	Dark green, 7.5GY4/4	
Size	6" long, 3½" wide	
Quantity	Numerous	
Shape	Spatulate lobed	
Texture	Coarse	
Ribs and veins	Prominent	
Edge	Deeply indented	
Serration	Coarse	
Under side	Light green, 5GY5/4	
Stipules	Prominent base of stem, rudimentary upper portion	

The new cultivar was selected from the flowering block of the parent cultivar at Barberton, Ohio, and when asexually reproduced by cuttings at Barberton, Ohio, has been found to retain its distinctive characteristics through successive propagations.

The new cultivar when grown in the vicinity of Barberton, Ohio, has a response period of approximately 10

We claim:

1. A new and distinct cultivar of chrysanthemum characterized particularly as to its uniqueness when compared to the parent cultivar Tally Ho by its light bronze color.

No references cited.

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