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(54) **PULMONARIA PLANT NAMED  
‘RASPBERRY SPLASH’**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new and distinct hybrid of Pulmonaria characterized by  
large bright raspberry-colored flowers with upright, well  
marked foliage and an extended bloom period.

**1 Drawing Sheet**

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The present invention relates to a new and distinct culti-  
vated variety of Pulmonaria which originated as a hybrid  
between *Pulmonaria longifolia* ‘Bertram Anderson’, unpat-  
ented (pod parent), and Pulmonaria ‘Leopard’, unpatented  
(pollen parent of hybrid origin). Neither parent is patented or  
protected in the U.S.

The new Pulmonaria is a result of a controlled cross of the  
aforementioned plants in Canby, Oreg. This hybrid was  
selected from a large number of seedlings. Parent plants  
were retained to observe habit and to compare with the new  
variety. The new variety has been reproduced only by  
asexual propagation (division and tissue culture). Each of  
the progeny exhibits identical characteristics to the original  
as evidenced by the following characteristics: large flowers  
(compared to other *Pulmonaria longifolia* hybrids in the  
marketplace), sharply tipped foliage, and intense flower  
color.

Asexual propagation by division and tissue cultures done  
in Canby, Oreg., shows that the foregoing characteristics and  
distinctions come true to form and are established and  
transmitted through succeeding propagations. The present  
invention has not been evaluated under all possible envi-  
ronmental conditions. The phenotype may vary with varia-  
tions in environment without a change in the genotype of the  
plant.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH**

The FIGURE shows flowers and foliage in April in  
Canby, Oreg.

**DETAILED PLANT DESCRIPTION**

The following is a detailed description of the new Pul-  
monaria hybrid based on observations of 1.5–2-year-old  
field-grown specimens in Canby, Oreg. The color descrip-  
tions are all based on the The Royal Horticultural Society  
Color Chart.

Size of a 2-year-old plant grown in soil in Canby, Oreg.:

*Height*.—to 30 cm.

*Width*.—to 65 cm.

Habit: Mounding.

Foliage:

*Basal*.—Type — Simple; Herbaceous (evergreen in  
USDA hardiness Zones 6 to 9, herbaceous in USDA  
hardiness zone 4 and 5.) Shape — Lanceolate.

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Length — 18–24 cm. Width — 5.5–7.5 cm. Petiole  
Length — 8–10 cm. Apex — Acuminate to  
narrowly-acute. Margins — Ciliate, entire. Base —  
Attenuate. Texture — Uniform bristle-like pubes-  
cence on both upper and lower surfaces. Leaf  
Arrangement — Basal clump. Venation —  
Reticulate-pinnate. Appearance — Spotted.

*Cauline (observed on inflorescence only and does not  
persist after inflorescence senescence; unless stated  
below, other foliage characteristics are the same as  
for basal leaves).*—Leaf Arrangement — Opposite.  
Base — Sessile. Length — to 7 cm. Width — 1.5–2  
cm.

Flower:

*Flower type*.—Complete, perfect.

*Reproductive organs*.—Stamens: Included. Anther  
number: 5. Pistil: Exserted (pin-type). Ovary posi-  
tion: Partly inferior. Placentation: One-chambered,  
basal.

*Flowers*.—Diameter: 0.75–1.2 cm from petal tip to  
petal tip. Length: 1 cm. Corolla shape: Funnel-form.  
Petal length: 0.4 cm. Petal width: 0.35 cm. Petal  
number: 5. Petal texture: smooth, undulate. Base is  
fused. Petal color: Color ranges from RHS Red  
Purple Group 67A to RHS Red Purple Group 67C.  
Same color inside and out of the corolla except for a  
more intense ring at the outside corolla base. Ring  
color is RHS Red Purple Group 74B. Calyx shape:  
Urceolate, fused. Calyx color: RHS 138A Green  
Group. Calyx length: 1 cm. Calyx width: 0.35 cm.  
Calyx texture: calyx has a uniform bristle-like pubes-  
cence. Sepal number: 5. Fragrance: None.

*Blooming habit*.—Bracted, terminal forked cymes,  
15–20 flowers per cyme, 50–75 cymes on a two-year  
plant.

*Peduncle length*.—to 19 cm.

*Peduncle width*.—4 mm tapering to 1.5 mm at pedicels.

*Peduncle texture*.—Bristle-like pubescence.

*Bloom period*.—Third week in February to first week in  
May in Canby, Oreg.

*Lastingness of bloom*.—Blooms will hold color for 7  
days if not pollinated. If pollinated, blooms will drop  
in 4 days.

Fruit: 4 smooth nutlets.

Disease: Minor susceptibility to powdery mildew has been  
observed on plants grown commercially in Canby, Oreg.

Color characteristics:

*Foliage*.—Mature leaves, upper surface, background RHS Yellow Green Group 147A; mature leaves, upper surface, spotted areas, RHS Greyed Green Group 191A; mature leaves lower surface, RHS green Group 138A.  
*Flowers*.—Color ranges from RHS Red Purple Group 67A to RHS Red Purple Group 67C; same color inside and outside of petals, except for a more intense ring at the outside corolla base- Ring color is RHS Red Purple Group 74B; calyx color is RHS Green Group 138A.  
*Peduncle*.—R.H.S. Yellow-Green Group 148C.

DESCRIPTION OF PARENT PLANTS

*Pulmonaria longifolia* ‘Bertram Anderson’ (pod parent) has small, cobalt-blue flowers, typical of *Pulmonaria*

*longifolia*, and *Pulmonaria* ‘Leopard’ (pollen parent of hybrid origin) has large, widely splayed flowers with a similar range of color as *Pulmonaria* “Raspberry Splash”. *Pulmonaria* ‘Leopard’ has a much lower growth habit, similar to *Pulmonaria saccharata*. *Pulmonaria* ‘Raspberry Splash’ has characteristics which make it unique from its parents, having raspberry colored flowers of the *Pulmonaria longifolia*-type (small, narrowly splayed blooms), with narrow, upright, silver-splashed foliage.

I claim:

1. A new and distinct hybrid of *Pulmonaria* substantially as shown and described, characterized by large bright raspberry-colored flowers with upright, well marked foliage and an extended bloom period.

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