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CHRYSANTHEMUM PLANT NAMED 'CORHELLAS'

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(57)ABSTRACT

A chrysanthemum plant named 'Corhellas', characterized by its medium sized blooms with orange ray florets combined with a bronze center and prolific branching; natural season flower date September 20–27; blooming for a period of 5 weeks.

3 Drawing Sheets

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

'Corhellas' is a product of a breeding and selection program for outdoor pot mums (garden mums) which had the objective of creating new chrysanthemum cultivars with a decorative type flower, a natural season flower date around September 20–27 (week 39), blooming for a period of 5 weeks. The new plant of the present invention comprises a new and distinct cultivar of *Chrysanthemum* plant. 'Corhellas' is a seedling resulting from a crossing program, which was set up by a previous breeder, and which records are unknown to the inventor. The new and distinct cultivar was discovered and selected as one flowering plant by Mark Roland Boeder on a cultivated field in Rijsenhout, The Netherlands in 2001. The first act of asexual production of 'Corhellas' was accomplished when vegetative cuttings 15 were taken from the initial selection in 2001 in a controlled environment in Rijsenhout, The Netherlands, and propagated further at this location. The new cultivar has been found to retain its distinctive characteristics through successive propagations.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The present invention of a new and distinct variety of chrysanthemum is shown in the accompanying drawings, the 25 color being as nearly true as possible with color photographs of this type.

FIG. 1 shows a plant of the cultivar in full bloom.

FIG. 2 shows the various stages of bloom of the new cultivar.

FIG. 3 shows the foliage of the new cultivar.

DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

This new variety of *chrysanthemum* is of the botanical ³⁵ classification *Chrysanthemum morifolium* L. The observations and measurements were gathered from plants grown out door in Rijsenhout, The Netherlands under natural day

length and temperature and planted in week 24 in 2004. The natural blooming date of this crop was September 20–27 (week 39). The average height of the plants was 25 cms. No growth retardants were used. No tests were done on disease or insect resistance or susceptibility. No tests were done on cold or drought tolerance. This new variety produces medium sized blooms with orange ray florets and a bronze center blooming for a period of 5 weeks.

From the cultivars known to inventor the most similar existing cultivars in comparison to 'Corhellas' are 'Iduna' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 14,925) and 'Mars' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 14,678). When 'Corhellas', 'Iduna' and 'Mars' are being compared the following similarities and differences are noticed: All three varieties have medium sized two tone blooms with a dark center. The differences of 'Corhellas' and 'Iduna' and 'Mars' is (1) Natural flowering date. (1) When planted in week 24, 'Iduna' and 'Mars' flower at a later date than 'Corhellas'.

The following is a description of the plant and characteristics that distinguish 'Corhellas' as a new and distinct variety. The color designations are taken from the plant itself. Accordingly, any discrepancies between the color designations and the colors depicted in the photographs are due to photographic tolerances. The color chart used in this description is: The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, edition 1995.

TABLE 1

Botanical Description of CULTIVAR 'CORHELLAS'

Bud

Size

Outside Color Involucral bracts disc-florets

Involucral bracts among Involucral bracts color

Small; cross-section 0.5 cm, height 0.3 cm Yellow-green 144D 2 rows, length 7 mm, width 3 mm Not present

Green 138C

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TABLE 1-continued

Botanical Description of CULTIVAR 'CORHELLAS' Bloom Decorative Type Height 1 cm Size Medium Fully Expanded 4–5 cm Peduncle length 7 cm Peduncle color Green 143C-143D Number of blooms per branch Approx. 7 blooms per branch 5 weeks Performance on the plant Produced in small quantities, Seeds ovate grey-brown 199A, 1½ mm in length. Typical chrysanthemum, slightly Fragrance Color Center of the flower Immature Greyed-red 178A Mature Greyed-yellow 160A Color of upper surface of the ray-Yellow-orange 21B to Greyed-orange 163C florets Color of the lower surface of the Greyed-orange 166C ray-florets Tonality from Distance A garden mum with orange flowers and a bronze disc Greyed-orange 163C Discoloration to color Ray florets

Number	160–180
Cross-section	Flat
Longitudinal axis of majority	Straight
Length of corolla tube	0.4 cm
Ray-floret margin	Entire
Ray-floret length	2.2 cm
Ray-floret width	0.4 cm
Ratio length/width	High
Shape of tip	Dentate
Disc florets	

Disc	: dia	mete	er		0.5	cm
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Distribution of disc florets	Few, only visible in mature stage
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Shape Tubular Vallow

Color
Receptacle shape
Conical raised

Reproductive Organs

Texture

Stamen	Present in disc florets only
Stamen color	Yellow-green 144A
Pollen	Present
Pollen color	Yellow 7A
Styles	Thick
Style color	Yellow 13A
Style Length	0.4 cm
Stigma color	Yellow-green 144A
Stigma Width	1 mm
Ovaries	Enclosed in calyx
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Form Grown as a spray type potmum,

outdoor mounded and round Spherical shape

Upper and under side smooth

Growth habit
Growth rate
Medium
Height
25 cm
Width
45 cm

Stem Color Greyed-brown 199C with at base

Greyed-Red 182C

TABLE 1-continued

Stem Strength	Strong
Stem Brittleness	Not brittle
Stem Anthocyanin Coloration	Present at base of stem
Internode lenght	2.5–3 cm
Length of lateral branch	From top to bottom 17-19 cm
Lateral branch color	Green 138A–B
Lateral branch, attachment	Medium
Branching	Good with 8-10 breaks after
(average number of	pinching
lateral branches)	
Natural season blooming date	September 20–27
Foilage	
Leaf color	Upper side Green 139A–139B
	Under side Green 138A-138B
Color midvein	Upper side Green 139D
	Under side Green 138D
Size	Medium; length 6–9 cm,
	width 4–6 cm
Quantity	13–15
(number per lateral branch)	
Shape	Ovate
Texture upper side	Glabrous
Texture under side	Pubescent
Venation arrangement	Palmate
Shape of the margin	Serrated
Shape of Base of Sinus Between	Rounded
Lateral Lobes	
Margin of Sinus Between Lateral	Diverging
Lobes	
Shape of Base	Acute/obtuse
Apex	Mucronulate
Petiole lenght	1-2 cm
Petiole color	Green 139D

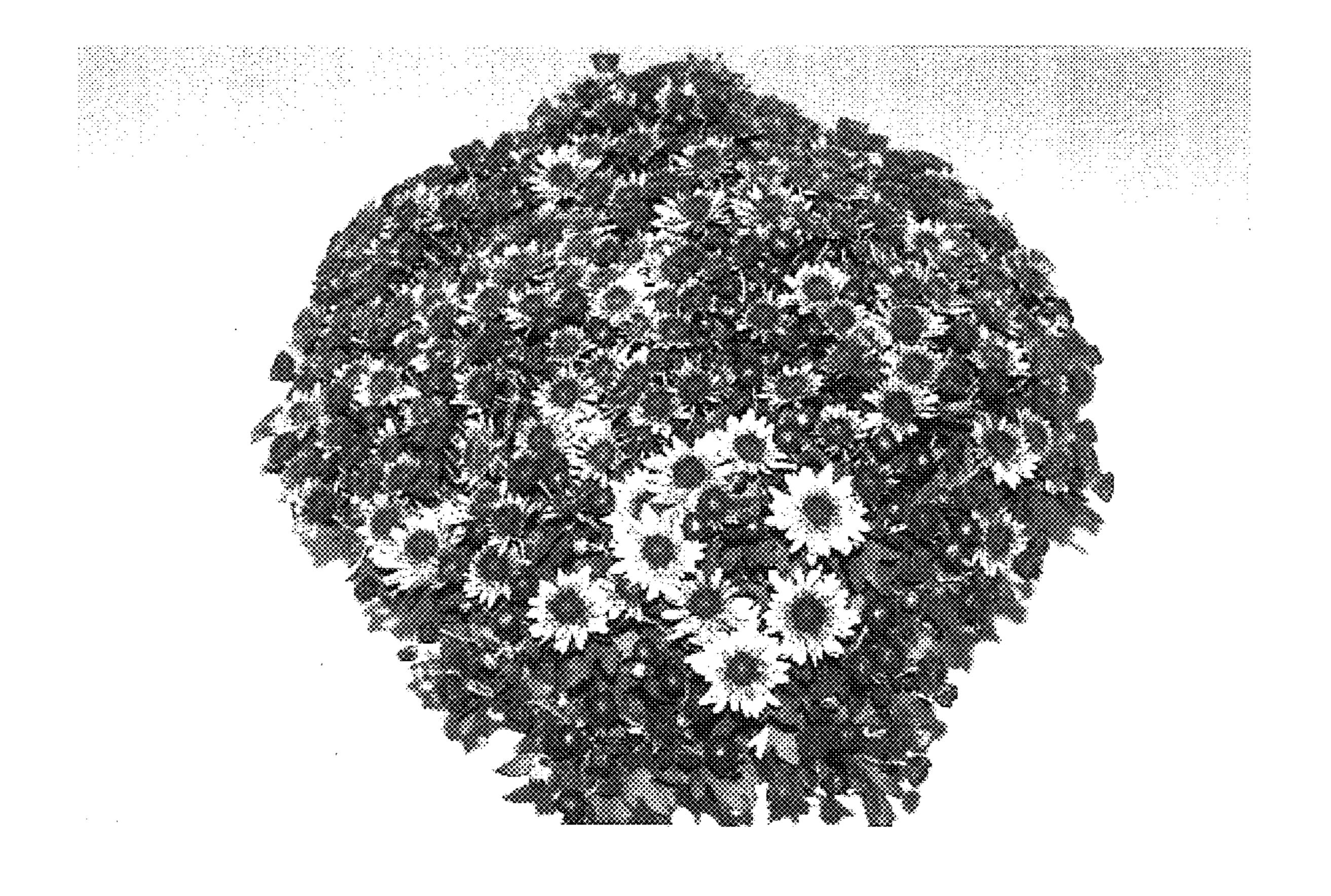
TABLE 2

Differences with the Comparison varieties				
	'Corhellas'	'Iduna'	'Mars'	
Bloom size Color center immature bloom	4–5 cm Greyed-red 178A	4.5–5 cm Greyed-red 179A	4.5–5 cm Greyed-red 179A	
Color upper side ray-florets	Yellow-orange 21B to Greyed-orange 163C	Yellow-orange 22C	Yellow-orange 22B	
Natural flowering date (when planted in week 24)	September 20–27	October 4–11	October 11–18	

I claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of *chrysanthemum* plant as described and illustrated.

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FIG. 3