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(54) **POINSETTIA PLANT NAMED**
‘DUEPREMMIRO’

(50) Latin Name: *Euphorbia pulcherrima* Willd.
Varietal Denomination: **Duepremmiro**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new and distinct cultivar of Poinsettia plant named
‘Duepremmiro’, characterized by its inflorescences with
light red purple and pale yellow-colored flower bracts;
uniform and rounded plant habit; freely branching habit;
early flowering habit; and excellent post-production longev-
ity.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Botanical denomination: *Euphorbia pulcherrima* Willd.
Cultivar designation: ‘DUEPREMMIRO’.

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED
APPLICATIONS**

Poinsettia Plant Named ‘Duepremmiapri’; Marga
Dümmen, disclosed in U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No.
11/174,980; Poinsettia Plant Named ‘Duepremmar’; Marga
Dümmen, disclosed in U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No.
11/174,967; and Poinsettia Plant Named ‘Dueprempica’;
Marga Dümmen, disclosed in U.S. Plant Pat. Ser. No.
17,068.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present Invention relates to a new and distinct culti-
var of Poinsettia plant, botanically known as *Euphorbia*
pulcherrima Willd., and hereinafter referred to by the name
‘Duepremmiro’.

The new Poinsettia is a product of a planned breeding
program conducted by the Inventor in Rheinberg, Germany.
The objective of the breeding program is to create new
Poinsettia cultivars with uniform plant habit and attractive
flower bract coloration.

The new Poinsettia is a naturally-occurring whole plant
mutation of a proprietary selection of *Euphorbia pulcher-*
rima Willd. identified as code number E-16-18, not patented.
The cultivar Duepremmiro was discovered and selected by
the Inventor as a flowering plant within a population of
plants of the parent selection in a controlled environment in
Rheinberg, Germany in December, 2004. The selection of
this plant was based on its attractive flower bract coloration.

Asexual reproduction of the new Poinsettia by vegetative
terminal cuttings at Rheinberg, Germany since December,
2004, has shown that the unique features of this new
Poinsettia are stable and reproduced true to type in succes-
sive generations of asexual reproduction.

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The following traits have been repeatedly observed and
are determined to be the unique characteristics of ‘Duepre-
miro’. These characteristics in combination distinguish
‘Duepremmiro’ as a new and distinct cultivar:

1. Inflorescences with light red purple and pale yellow-
colored flower bracts.
2. Uniform and rounded plant habit.
3. Freely branching habit.
4. Early flowering habit; response time, about seven
weeks.
5. Excellent post-production longevity.

Plants of the new Poinsettia differ primarily from plants of
the parent selection in flower bract coloration as plants of the
parent selection have red-colored flower bracts.

Plants of the new Poinsettia can be compared to plants of
the Poinsettia cultivar Duepremmiapri, disclosed in U.S.
Plant patent application Ser. No. 11/174,980; the Poinsettia
cultivar Duepremmar, disclosed in U.S. Plant patent appli-
cation Ser. No. 11/174,967; and the Poinsettia cultivar
Dueprempica, disclosed in U.S. Plant Pat. No. 17,068.
Plants of the new Poinsettia differ primarily from plants of
the cultivars Duepremmiapri, Duepremmar and Duepre-
mica in flower bract coloration.

Plants of the new Poinsettia can be compared to plants of
the cultivar Duepre, disclosed in U.S. Plant Pat. No. 13,644.
In side-by-side comparisons conducted in Rheinberg,
Germany, plants of the new Poinsettia differed from plants
of the cultivar Duepre in the following characteristics:

1. Plants of the new Poinsettia had smaller leaves than
plants of the cultivar Duepre.
2. Plants of the new Poinsettia and the cultivar Duepre
differed in flower bract coloration as plants of the
cultivar Duepre had red-colored flower bracts.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH

The accompanying colored photograph illustrates the
overall appearance of the new Poinsettia, showing the colors

as true as it is reasonably possible to obtain in colored reproductions of this type. Colors in the photograph differ slightly from the color values cited in the detailed botanical description which accurately describe the colors of the new Poinsettia. The photograph comprises a side perspective view of a single flowering plant of 'Duepremmiro' grown in a container.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The new Poinsettia has not been observed under all possible environmental conditions. The phenotype may vary somewhat with variations in environment such as temperature, daylength and light intensity, without, however, any variance in genotype.

The aforementioned photograph, following observations and averaged measurements describe plants grown in Rheinberg, Germany during the winter under commercial practice in a glass-covered greenhouse with day and night temperatures about 22° C. and light levels about 4,500 lux. Single plants were grown in 13-cm containers and pinched once about five weeks after planting. Plants were flowered under natural season short day/long night conditions. Plants were about 16 weeks from unrooted cuttings when the photograph and the detailed botanical description were taken.

In the following description, color references are made to The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, 1995 Edition, except where general terms of ordinary dictionary significance are used.

Botanical classification: *Euphorbia pulcherrima* Willd. cultivar Duepremmiro.

Parentage: Naturally-occurring whole plant mutation of a proprietary selection of *Euphorbia pulcherrima* Willd. identified as code number E-16-18, not patented.

Propagation:

Type cutting.—Vegetative terminal cuttings.

Time to initiate roots.—Summer: About 9 days at 22° C. Winter: About 13 days at 22° C.

Time to develop roots.—Summer: About three weeks at 22° C. Winter: About four weeks at 22° C.

Root description.—Fibrous, fleshy; white in color.

Rooting habit.—Freely branching, dense.

Plant description:

Plant form.—Inverted triangle, top of plant rounded.

Growth habit.—Upright and uniform plant habit; moderately vigorous.

Plant height.—About 20 cm.

Plant diameter or spread.—About 30 cm.

Lateral branch description.—Quantity per plant: Freely branching habit; about seven lateral branches develop after pinching. Length: About 17 cm. Diameter: About 6 mm. Internode length: About 1.4 cm. Color: 137C.

Foliage description.—Arrangement: Alternate, single. Length: About 10.5 cm. Width: About 6.5 cm. Shape: Ovate. Apex: Apiculate. Base: Obtuse. Margin: Entire with irregular lobing. Venation pattern: Pinnate. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Glabrous, smooth. Surface: Mostly flat. Color: Developing foliage, upper surface: 141B. Developing foliage, lower surface: 138A. Fully expanded foliage, upper surface: 139A. Fully expanded foliage, lower surface: 138A. Venation, upper surface: 144A. Venation, lower surface: 144B. Petiole: Length:

About 3.8 cm. Diameter: About 2 mm. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Glabrous, smooth. Color, upper and lower surfaces: 144B.

Inflorescence description:

Inflorescence type and habit.—Inflorescences are compound corymbs of cyathia with colored flower bracts subtending the cyathia. Inflorescences are not fragrant. Inflorescences persistent.

Natural flowering season.—Autumn/winter in Northern Hemisphere. Flower initiation and development is induced under long nyctoperiod conditions. Early flowering habit, response time, about seven weeks after start of long nyctoperiod conditions.

Post-production longevity.—Plants of the new Poinsettia maintain good substance and bract color for about eight weeks under interior conditions and about twelve weeks under greenhouse conditions.

Quantity of inflorescences per plant.—One per lateral branch, about seven.

Inflorescence size.—Diameter: About 20 cm. Height (depth): About 2.5 cm.

Flower bracts.—Quantity of flower bracts per inflorescence: About 17. Length, largest bracts: About 8.8 cm. Width, largest bracts: About 5.5 cm. Shape: Mostly ovate. Apex: Apiculate. Base: Obtuse. Margin: Entire with irregular lobing. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Glabrous, velvety. Surface: Smooth. Orientation: Mostly horizontal. Color: Developing bracts, upper surface: Ground color, 3C overlain with random speckles, 58C. Developing bracts, lower surface: Ground color, 3C overlain with random speckles, 58D. Fully expanded bracts, upper surface: Ground color, 3C overlain with random speckles, 58D; ground color becoming closer to 3D with development. Fully expanded bracts, lower surface: Ground color, 3C overlain with random speckles, 58D. Venation, upper and lower surfaces: Same as lamina. Flower bract petiole: Length: About 1.6 cm. Diameter: About 2 mm. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Glabrous, smooth. Color, upper and lower surfaces: 144B.

Cyathia.—Quantity of cyathia per corymb: About eight. Diameter of cyathia cluster: About 2 cm. Length: About 8 mm. Diameter: About 6 mm. Shape: Ovoid. Color, immature and mature: 144B. Peduncle: Length: About 3 mm. Diameter: About 2.5 mm. Strength: Strong. Aspect: Curved. Color: 144B. Stamens: quantity of stamens and staminodes per cyathium: About 40. Anther shape: Oval. Anther length: About 0.7 mm. Anther color: 31A. Amount of pollen: Abundant. Pollen color: 14B. Pistils: Quantity of pistils per cyathium: One. Pistil length: About 1 cm. Style length: About 4 mm. Style color: 53B. Stigma color: 53A. Ovary color: 144B. Nectaries: Quantity of nectaries per cyathium: One. Length: About 4 mm. Color: 14A to 14B.

Disease/pest resistance: Resistance to pathogens and pests common to Poinsettias has not been observed on plants grown under commercial conditions.

Temperature tolerance: Plants of the new Poinsettia have been observed to tolerate temperatures from 12 to 40° C. It is claimed:

1. A new and distinct cultivar of Poinsettia plant named 'Duepremmiro', as illustrated and described.

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