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(54) CHRYSANTHEMUM PLANT NAMED 'WHITE PAMPLONA JOGGER'

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(57) ABSTRACT

A new and distinct cultivar of *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'White Pamplona Jogger', characterized by its uniform, upright, outwardly spreading and rounded plant habit; moderately vigorous growth habit; freely branching habit; dense and full plant habit; freely flowering habit; large decorative-type inflorescences with white-colored ray florets; long flowering period; and excellent garden performance.

2 Drawing Sheets

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Botanical designation: *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium*. Cultivar denomination: 'WHITE PAMPLONA JOGGER'.

CROSS-REFERENCED TO CLOSELY-RELATED APPLICATIONS

Title: Chrysanthemum Plant Named 'Bronze Pamplona Jogger'

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Title: Chrysanthemum Plant Named 'Dark Pamplona Jogger'

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Title: Chrysanthemum Plant Named 'Yellow Pamplona Jogger'

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct cultivar of *Chrysanthemum* plant, botanically known as *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* and hereinafter referred to by the name 'White Pamplona Jogger'.

The new *Chrysanthemum* plant is a naturally-occurring ³⁰ whole plant mutation of *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Pamplona Jogger', not patented. The new *Chrysanthemum* plant was discovered and selected by the Inventor as a flowering plant from within a population of plants of 'Pamplona Jogger' in a controlled greenhouse environment in Staden-Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium in October, 2007.

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Asexual reproduction of the new *Chrysanthemum* plant by vegetative cuttings was first conducted in a controlled greenhouse environment in Staden-Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium in January, 2008. Asexual reproduction by cuttings has shown that the unique features of this new *Chrysanthemum* plant are stable and reproduced true to type in successive generations.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* have not been observed under all possible environmental conditions and cultural conditions. The phenotype may vary somewhat with variations in environment such as temperature, daylength and light intensity, without, however, any variance in genotype.

The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be the unique characteristics of 'White Pamplona Jogger'. These characteristics in combination distinguish 'White Pamplona Jogger' as a new and distinct *Chrysanthemum* plant:

- 1. Uniform, upright, outwardly spreading and rounded plant habit; moderately vigorous growth habit.
- 2. Freely branching habit; dense and full plant habit.
- 3. Freely flowering habit.
- 4. Large decorative-type inflorescences with white-colored ray florets.
- 5. Long flowering period.
- 6. Excellent garden performance.

Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* differ primarily from the mutation parent, 'Pamplona Jogger', in ray floret color as plants of 'Pamplona Jogger' have pink-colored ray florets.

Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* can be compared to plants of *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Tardel', not patented. In side-by-side comparisons conducted in Staden-Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium, plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* differed from plants of 'Tardel' in the following characteristics:

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- 1. Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* had larger inflorescences than plants of 'Tardel'.
- 2. Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* had decorative type inflorescences whereas plants of 'Tardel' had daisy type inflorescences.
- 3. Ray florets of the new *Chrysanthemum* were white in color whereas ray florets of plants of 'Tardel' were yellow in color.

Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* can also be compared to plants of *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Bronze Pamplona Jogger', disclosed in a U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No. 13/066,464 filed concurrently, *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Dark Pamplona Jogger', disclosed in a U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No. 13/066,462 filed concurrently, and *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Yellow Pamplona Jogger', disclosed in a U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No. 13/066,460 filed concurrently. In side-by-side comparisons conducted in Staden-Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium, plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* differ primarily from plants of 'Bronze Pamplona Jogger', 'Dark Pamplona Jogger' and 'Yellow Pamplona Jogger' in ray floret color.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS

The accompanying photographs illustrate the overall appearance of the new *Chrysanthemum* plant showing the colors as true as it is reasonably possible to obtain in colored reproductions of this type. Colors in the photographs may differ slightly from the color values cited in the detailed 30 botanical description which accurately describe the colors of the new *Chrysanthemum* plant.

The photograph on the first sheet comprises a top perspective view of a typical flowering plant of 'White Pamplona Jogger' grown in a container.

The photograph on the second sheet are close-up views of the upper and lower surfaces of typical inflorescences (left) of 'White Pamplona Jogger' and upper and lower surfaces of typical leaves (right) of 'White Pamplona Jogger'.

DETAILED BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION

The aforementioned photographs and following observations and measurements describe plants grown during the summer and autumn in 19-cm containers in an outdoor nursery in Staden-Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium and under conditions and practices which approximate those generally used in commercial *Chrysanthemum* production. During the production of the plants, day temperatures ranged from 10° C. to 25° C. and night temperatures ranged from 5° C. to 15° C. Plants were 5.5 months old when the photographs and description were taken. In the following description, color references are made to The Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart, 2007 Edition, except where general terms of ordinary dictionary significance are used.

Botanical classification: *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'White Pamplona Jogger'.

Parentage: Naturally-occurring whole plant mutation of *Chrysanthemum*×*morifolium* 'Pamplona Jogger', not patented.

Propagation:

Type.—Terminal vegetative cuttings.

Time to initiate roots, summer.—About 14 days at temperatures of about 20° C.

Time to initiate roots, winter.—About 20 days at tem- 65 peratures of about 20° C.

Time to produce a rooted young plant, summer.—About 30 days at temperatures of about 20° C.

Time to produce a rooted young plant, winter.—About 40 days at temperatures of about 20° C.

Root description.—Fine, fibrous; light brown in color. Rooting habit.—Freely branching; medium density.

Plant description:

Appearance.—Perennial Chrysanthemum with decorative type inflorescences; stems upright and outwardly spreading giving a uniformly rounded appearance to the plant; very freely branching habit with about 15 lateral branches developing per plant; pinching enhances lateral branch development; dense and full plant habit; moderately vigorous growth habit.

Plant height.—About 28 cm.

Plant width.—About 52 cm.

About 5 mm. Internode length: About 1.6 cm. Strength: Strong. Aspect: Lateral branches positioned about 45° from the main stem. Texture: Densely pubescent; longitudinally ridged. Color: Close to 144A.

Leaves.—Arrangement: Alternate, simple. Length: About 3.9 cm. Width: About 2.1 cm. Shape: Roughly ovate, three-lobed. Apex: Acute. Base: Attenuate. Margin: Palmately lobed and coarsely dentate, sinuses between lateral lobes divergent to parallel. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Densely pubescent. Venation pattern: Pinnate. Color: Developing leaves, upper surface: Close to N137B to N137C. Developing leaves, lower surface: Close to 147B. Fully expanded leaves, upper surface: Close to N137B; venation, close to N137A. Fully expanded leaves, lower surface: Close to 147B; venation, close to 146C to 146D. Petiole: Length: About 7 mm. Diameter: About 1.5 mm. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Densely pubescent. Color, upper surface: Close to 146B. Color, lower surface: Close to 147B.

40 Inflorescence description:

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Appearance.—Decorative inflorescence form; inflorescences borne on terminals above foliar plane; disc and ray florets arranged acropetally on a capitulum.

Fragrance.—Moderately fragrant, pungent.

Flowering response.—Long flowering period; under natural season conditions, plants flower continuously from mid-September to late October in Belgium.

Postproduction longevity.—Inflorescences maintain good color and substance for about three weeks in an outdoor nursery; inflorescences not persistent.

Quantity of inflorescences.—About 80 inflorescences develop per lateral branch; about 1,250 inflorescences per plant.

Inflorescence bud.—Height: About 9 mm. Diameter: About 8 mm. Shape: Broadly ovate. Color: Close to 138A to 138B.

Inflorescence size.—Diameter: About 4.2 cm. Depth (height): About 2 cm. Disc diameter: About 9 mm. Receptacle diameter: About 3 mm. Receptacle height: About 3 mm. Receptacle color: Close to 145A to 145B.

Ray florets.—Length: About 2.2 cm. Width: About 5 mm. Shape: Narrowly obovate to oblanceolate. Apex: Broadly acute. Base: Cuneate. Margin: Entire. Aspect: About 50° from vertical. Texture, upper and lower surfaces: Smooth, glabrous; longitudinally

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ridged: Number of ray florets per inflorescence: About 70. Color: When opening and fully opened, upper surface: Close to N155B; at the base, close to 145A to 145B; color does not change with development. When opening and fully opened, lower surface: 5 Close to N155B; at the base, close to 145A to 145B; color does not change with development.

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Disc florets.—Length: About 1.1 cm. Diameter: About 1 mm. Shape: Tubular, filiform; apices narrowly acute. Texture, inner and outer surfaces: Smooth, glabrous. Number of disc florets per inflorescence: About 80 massed at the center of the inflorescence. Color, immature: Close to 150D and 155A; at the apex, close to 154C to 154D; at the base, close to 145B. Color, mature: Close to 150D and 155A; at the apex, close to 154C to 154D; at the base, close to 145B.

Phyllaries.—Number of phyllaries per inflorescence:
About 20 arranged in about three whorls. Length:
About 7 mm. Width: About 2.5 mm. Shape: Ovate.
Apex: Bluntly acute. Base: Cuneate. Margin: Entire.
Texture, upper surface: Smooth, glabrous. Texture, lower surface: Pubescent. Color, upper surface: Close

to 147C; margins, close to N199B. Color, lower surface: Close to 138A; margins, close to N199B.

Peduncles.—Length, terminal peduncle: About 5.6 cm. Length, fourth peduncle: About 5.4 cm. Diameter: About 1.5 mm. Aspect: Erect to about 25° from vertical. Strength: Strong. Texture: Densely pubescent. Color: Close to 138B.

Reproductive organs.—Androecium: Not observed. Gynoecium: Not observed.

Seed/fruit.—Seed and fruit production have not been observed.

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

Garden performance: Plants of the new *Chrysanthemum* have demonstrated excellent garden performance, are hardy to USDA Hardiness Zones 7 to 8 and will tolerate high temperatures of about 35° C.

It is claimed:

1. A new and distinct *Chrysanthemum* plant named 'White Pamplona Jogger' as illustrated and described.

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