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'KLECA14263'

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(57) **ABSTRACT**
A new *Calibrachoa* plant particularly distinguished by hav-
ing pink flowers with a red-purple eye and a semi-upright
form and plant habit, is disclosed.

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Genus and species: *Calibrachoa* sp.
Variety denomination: 'KLECA14263'.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new and distinct variety
of *Calibrachoa*, botanically known as *Calibrachoa* sp., and
hereinafter referred to by the variety name 'KLECA14263'.
'KLECA14263' originated from a controlled-cross between
the female *Calibrachoa* variety 'KLECA10216' (U.S. Plant
Pat. No. 22,893) and the proprietary male *Calibrachoa* vari-
ety 'J 904' (unpatented).

In May 2010, two *Calibrachoa* parental lines, the female
variety 'KLECA10216' and the male *Calibrachoa* variety 'J
904' were crossed via a controlled cross in Stuttgart, Germany
and seeds were obtained. The seeds were sown and plants
were grown for evaluation. A plant line was selected in May
2011, having pink flowers with a red-purple eye and subse-
quently named 'KLECA14263'. In May 2011,
'KLECA14263' was first vegetatively propagated by vegeta-
tive tip cuttings in Stuttgart, Germany. 'KLECA14263' was
found to reproduce true to type in successive generations of
asexual propagation via tip cuttings.

SUMMARY

The following are the most outstanding and distinguishing
characteristics of this new variety when grown under normal
horticultural practices in Stuttgart, Germany.

1. Pink flowers with a red-purple eye; and
2. A semi-upright form and plant habit.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH

This new *Calibrachoa* plant is illustrated by the accompa-
nying photograph which shows flowers grown in a pot. The
photograph is of a four-month-old plant grown outdoors in
Stuttgart, Germany in July 2014.

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The colors shown are as true as can be reasonably obtained
by conventional photographic procedures.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following detailed descriptions set forth the distinctive
characteristics of 'KLECA14263'. The data which define
these characteristics were collected from asexual reproduc-
tions carried out in Stuttgart, Germany. Data was collected on
eleven-week-old plants grown in Stuttgart, Germany in May
2014. Color references are to The R.H.S. Colour Chart of The
Royal Horticultural Society of London (R.H.S.), 5th edition
(2007).

Classification:

Family.—Solanaceae.

Species.—*Calibrachoa* sp.

Common name.—*Calibrachoa*.

Parentage.—Female: The female *Calibrachoa*
'KLECA10216' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 22,893). Male:
Proprietary male *Calibrachoa* 'J 904' (unpatented).

Plant description:

Life cycle.—Annual.

Form.—Semi-upright.

Habit.—Semi-upright.

Height (from soil line to top of foliage).—5.0 cm.

Spread.—23.0 cm.

Propagation: Vegetatively propagated.

Type cuttings.—Tip cuttings.

Time to produce a rooted cutting.—3 weeks.

Stems:

Stem color.—RHS 138B.

Pubescence.—Absent.

Stem description.—Stem diameter: 0.1 cm (stem diam-
eter including side shoots: 6.0 cm). Stem length: 11.0
cm. From soil line to first node: 1.5 cm. Total length:
12.0 cm. Internode length: 1.6 cm.

Leaves:

Arrangement.—Alternate, simple, sessile.

Shape.—Elliptic.

Apex.—Obtuse to slightly acute.

Base.—Attenuate.

Margin.—Entire.

Surface.—Smooth.

Surface pubescence.—Absent.

Venation.—Pinnate.

Venation color.—Upper surface: RHS 144A. Lower surface: RHS 145A.

Length.—2.5 cm.

Width.—0.7 cm.

Color.—Upper surface: RHS N138A. Lower surface: RHS 138B.

Fragrance.—Absent.

Flowers: Single flowers.

Flowering habit.—Flower attitude erect, single, axillary.

Flower type.—Determinate inflorescence.

Flowering requirements.—A minimum of light sun is required.

Duration of flowers.—7 days.

Corolla.—Smooth texture.

Shape.—Trumpet shaped.

Fragrance.—Absent.

Flower buds:

Surface.—Smooth.

Length.—1.5 cm.

Diameter.—0.6 cm.

Shape.—Irregular to oblong.

Color.—RHS N11B and RHS 59A.

Peduncle:

Length.—2.2 cm.

Diameter.—0.1 cm.

Color.—RHS 144C.

Texture.—Smooth.

Anthocyanin color.—RHS N77A.

Flower description:

Flower depth.—3.0 cm.

Flower tube length.—1.8 cm.

Flower tube diameter.—0.7 cm.

Flower diameter.—3.4 cm.

Pedicel color.—RHS 144C.

Calyx.—Funnel-shaped.

Sepals:

Shape.—Lanceolate.

Apex.—Acute.

Margin.—Entire.

Length.—1.4 cm.

Diameter.—0.2 cm.

Sepal color.—Upper and lower surfaces: RHS 143A.

Petals:

Shape.—Heart-shaped.

Length.—1.2 cm.

Apex.—Obverse.

Margin.—Entire, weak undulation.

Base.—Open and fused in the tube.

Pubescence.—Absent.

Lobe length.—0.9 cm.

Lobe width.—1.5 cm.

Color.—Lobe color: Upper surface: RHS 75C. Lower surface: RHS 75D. Corolla tube color: Inner: RHS 71A. Outer: RHS 177D.

Fragrance.—Absent.

Reproductive organs:

Stamen number.—5.

Stamen color.—Anther color: RHS 21A. Filament color: RHS 1B. Pollen color: RHS 21A.

Ovary.—Placenta arrangement: Ovate. Pistil number: 1. Pistil length: 0.1 cm. Stigma color: RHS 144B. Style length: 1.1 cm. Style color: RHS 144D.

Fruit/seed set: Little.

Disease/insect resistance: None observed.

COMPARISON WITH PARENTAL LINES AND KNOWN VARIETY

‘KLECA14263’ is distinguished from its parents as described in Table 1:

TABLE 1

Comparison with Parental Lines			
Trait	Variety ‘KLECA14263’	Female parent ‘KLECA10216’	Male Parent ‘J 904’
Flower color	RHS 75C and RHS 71A	RHS 75C and RHS 61B	RHS 69C and RHS 55A

‘KLECA14263’ is most similar to the commercial *Calibrachoa* plant named ‘KLECA10216’ (the female parent), U.S. Plant Pat. No. 22,893, commercially known as MiniFamous Light Pink+Eye. Differences between the two varieties are described in Table 2:

TABLE 2

Comparison with Similar Variety		
Trait	Variety ‘KLECA14263’	Calibrachoa ‘KLECA10216’
Flower color	RHS 75C and RHS 71A	RHS 75C and RHS 61B
Growing habit	More compact, tight than ‘KLECA10216’	More vigorous than ‘KLECA14263’

We claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Calibrachoa* plant named ‘KLECA14263’ as illustrated and described herein.

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