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#### **DIANTHUS PLANT NAMED 'KLEDG17052'**

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#### **ABSTRACT** (57)

A new *Dianthus* plant designated 'KLEDG17052' particularly distinguished by pink, double flowers with red-purple eyes and an upright habit, is disclosed.

### 1 Drawing Sheet

Genus and species: *Dianthus* x *allwoodii* hort. Variety denomination: 'KLEDG17052'.

A Community Plant Variety Rights application was filed for 'KLEDG17052' on Jul. 4, 2016, File No. 2016/1679.

#### BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT 'KLEDG17052'

The present invention comprises a new and distinct variety of Dianthus, botanically known as Dianthus cultivars, and hereinafter referred to by the variety name 10 'KLEDG17052'. 'KLEDG17052' originated from a whole plant mutation from the *Dianthus* parent 'KLEDG12163' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 24,707) in a greenhouse in The Netherlands in 2015.

In August 2015, 'KLEDG17052' was first vegetatively propagated by vegetative stem cuttings. 'KLEDG17052' 15 was found to reproduce true to type in successive generations of asexual propagation in Stuttgart, Germany via vegetative stem cuttings.

#### SUMMARY OF 'KLEDG17052'

The following are the most outstanding and distinguishing characteristics of 'KLEDG17052' when grown under normal horticultural practices in Stuttgart, Germany.

- 1. Pink, double flowers with red-purple eyes; and
- 2. An upright habit.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH

This new *Dianthus* plant is illustrated by the accompanying photograph of a plant approximately 8-months old and

grown in a greenhouse in Stuttgart, Germany. The photograph shows the whole plant, including the flowers and foliage and buds of 'KLEDG17052' and was taken in May 2016 in Stuttgart, Germany. The colors shown are as true as can be reasonably obtained by conventional photographic procedures.

#### DESCRIPTION OF 'KLEDG17052'

The following detailed descriptions set forth the distinctive characteristics of 'KLEDG17052'. The data which define these characteristics were collected from asexual reproductions carried out in Stuttgart, Germany. Data was collected in April 2017 on 7-month old plants grown in a plastic greenhouse. Color references are to The R.H.S. Colour Chart of The Royal Horticultural Society of London (R.H.S.),  $5^{th}$  edition (2007).

Classification:

Family.—Caryophyllaceae.

Botanical.—Dianthus x allwoodii hort.

Common.—Pot carnation.

Designation.—'KLEDG17052'.

Parentage:

Mutation parent.—'KLEDG12163' (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 24,707).

Plant:

*Plant form.*—Upright, potted plant. Plant height.—12.0 cm to 14.0 cm.

Plant diameter or spread.—16.0 cm to 18.0 cm.

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Propagation type.—Vegetative stem cuttings.

Time to produce a rooted young plant.—14 to 16 days. Rooting habit (shape).—Lanceolate.

#### Lateral branches:

Length.—Approximately 11.0 cm.

Diameter.—0.2 cm to 0.4 cm.

Internode length.—2.0 cm to 3.0 cm.

*Number of internodes per branch/stem.*—5 to 7.

Node length.—0.1 cm to 0.3 cm.

Node diameter.—0.2 cm to 0.3 cm.

Texture.—Smooth.

Color.—RHS 145B (Yellow-green).

Branch/stem appearance.—Solid.

#### Foliage:

Arrangement.—Opposite.

Attachment.—Sessile.

Length.—4.0 cm to 6.0 cm.

Width.—0.3 cm to 0.5 cm.

Shape.—Lanceolate.

*Apex.*—Acute.

Base.—Obtuse.

*Margin*.—Entire.

Texture (both upper and lower surfaces).—Smooth.

Immature leaf color.—Upper surface: RHS 138A (Green). Lower surface: RHS 138A (Green).

Mature leaf color.—Upper surface: RHS N137A (Green). Lower surface: RHS N137A (Green).

Venation pattern.—Palmate.

Venation color.—Upper surface: RHS N137A (Green). Lower surface: RHS N137A (Green).

#### Flowers:

Flower type and habit.—Round, double, numerous small sprays.

Fragrance.—Present.

Natural flowering season.—Spring to fall.

Position of flowers relative to the foliage.—Moderately above.

*Number of flowers per spray.*—4 to 6.

Diameter of the inflorescence (the spray).—3.0 cm to 5.0 cm.

Flower longevity on the plant.—14 to 18 days.

Buds.—Length: 1.0 cm to 1.5 cm. Diameter: 0.4 cm to 0.6 cm. Shape: Elliptic. Color: RHS 138A (Green) and RHS 144A (Yellow-green). Extrusion of the styles at the bud stage: Absent.

Corolla.—Quantity of petals per flower: 11 to 13. Corolla height: 1.0 cm to 1.5 cm. Corolla width: 1.5 cm to 2.2 cm. Petal length: 2.0 cm to 2.5 cm. Petal width: 1.5 cm to 2.0 cm. Petal shape: Spoon-shaped. Petal apex: Obtuse. Petal base: Acute. Petal margin: 50 Crenate. Depth of petal margin: Medium. Petal texture (both upper and lower surfaces): Smooth. Petal color: Immature: Upper surface: RHS N74A (Redpurple) and RHS 59A (Red-purple). Lower surface: RHS 72D (Red-purple). Mature: Upper surface: 55 RHS 75B (Purple) and RHS 71A (Red-purple). Lower surface: RHS 75B (Purple).

Calyx.—Quantity of sepals per flower: Composed of 5 sepals. Shape: Campanulate. Calyx height: 0.8 cm to 1.2 cm. Calyx diameter (at the apex): 0.4 cm to 0.6 cm. Sepal texture (both upper and lower surfaces): Smooth. Sepal color: Upper surface: RHS 137A (Green). Lower surface: RHS 137D (Green).

#### Peduncles:

*Length.*—1.0 cm to 1.2 cm from the first nodium to the bud; approximately 11.0 cm from the soil line to bud.

Diameter.—0.1 cm to 0.2 cm.

Strength.—Strong.

Texture.—Smooth.

Color.—RHS 137A (Green).

Reproductive organs:

Stamens.—Quantity per flower: 5 to 10. Filament length: 0.8 cm to 1.0 cm. Filament color: RHS 157B (Green-white). Anther length: 0.1 cm. Anther diameter: 0.05 cm. Anther color: RHS N155B (White). Pollen amount: Absent.

Pistils.—Very rarely a small pistil is observed.

Fruit and seed set: Seed is sometimes observed, but no information on the seed is available.

Disease and pest/insect resistance: No disease and pest/insect resistance observed.

# COMPARISON OF 'KLEDG17052' WITH PARENTAL LINE AND KNOWN VARIETY

'KLEDG17052' is distinguished from the mutation parent as described in Table 1.

#### TABLE 1

	Comparison with Parental Line			
5	Characteristic	'KLEDG17052'	Mutation Parent 'KLEDG12163'	
	Flower type	Double	Semi-double	

'KLEDG17052' can be compared to the commercial *Dianthus* variety 'KLEDG18305' (U.S. Plant patent application Ser. No. 15/998,600). Differences between the varieties are described in Table 2.

#### TABLE 2

		Comparison with Similar Variety		
	Characteristic	'KLEDG17052'	'KLEDG18305'	
)	Flower type Flower color	Double Pink with red-purple eyes	Single Salmon-pink with a red ring	

#### We claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Dianthus* plant designated 'KLEDG17052' as illustrated and described herein.

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