

The John and Gertrude Wister Award

The American Daffodil Society recognizes outstanding garden daffodils with the John and Gertrude Wister Award. This award was first presented in 1985.

Criteria for this award are:

1. That the cultivar must be a good grower. It should have a floriferous habit (many bloom stalks).
2. It should have long lasting bloom with clean color, showy at a distance and reasonably sunfast.
3. Foliage should be vigorous, resistant to disease and frost damage.
4. Stem should be taller than foliage, strong and sturdy.
5. Bulb should be resistant to basal rot and not prone to splitting up. (Too rapid increase can be a problem, such as in a cultivar where the blooms deteriorate dramatically in size and substance after being down two or three years.)
6. Emphasis should be on garden performance, although it may be of show table quality.
7. Cultivar should be readily available.
8. The award may be given annually.

The following daffodils (Narcissus) have received the Wister Award (bulb sources are noted):

1. **'Stratosphere'**, 7 Y-O, a yellow and orange jonquil hybrid, several blooms per stem, **1985**.
2. **'Accent'**, 2 W-P, a white and pink large-cupped daffodil, **1987**.
3. **'Ice Follies'**, 2 W-W, a white large-cupped daffodil which opens with a yellow cup, **1992**.
4. **'Sweetness'**, 7 Y-Y, an all yellow, fragrant jonquil hybrid, **1993**.
5. **'Ceylon'**, 2 Y-O, a yellow and orange large-cupped daffodil, **1994**.
6. **'Salome'**, 2 W-PPY, a white and pink large-cupped daffodil with a yellow rim on the cup, **1995**.
7. **'Peeping Tom'**, 6 Y-Y, a yellow cyclamineus hybrid daffodil, **1996**.
8. **'Rapture'**, 6 Y-Y, an all yellow cyclamineus hybrid daffodil, **1997**.
9. **'Intrigue'**, 7 Y-W, a jonquil hybrid with yellow petals and a white cup, several blooms per stem, **1998**.
10. **'Tripartite'**, 11a Y-Y, a split-corona hybrid, with several blooms per stem, **1999**.
11. **'Monal'**, 2 Y-R, a yellow and red large-cupped daffodil, **2000**.
12. **'Golden Aura'**, 2 Y-Y, an all yellow large-cupped daffodil, **2001**.
13. **'Bravoure'**, 1 W-Y, a strong-growing trumpet daffodil with white petals and a yellow cup, **2002**.
14. **'Tahiti'**, 4 Y-O, a yellow and orange double daffodil, strong stems, **2003**.
15. **'Segovia'** 3 W-Y, a miniature daffodil, **2004**.
16. **'Fragrant Rose'** 2W-GPP, a later blooming pink and white daffodil with perfect form, **2005**.
17. **'Dainty Miss'** 7W-GWW, intermediate- size, all white flower, **2006**.
18. **'Camelot'** 2 Y-Y, all yellow large-cupped daffodil, **2007**.
19. **'Chromacolor'** 2 W-P, a white and pink large-cupped daffodil, **2007**.
20. **'Hillstar'** 7 YYW-YWW, a jonquil hybrid with a white halo on the yellow petals and yellow at the base of the white cup, several blooms per stem, **2007**.
21. **'Merlin'** 3 W-YYR, a small-cupped daffodil with white petals and a yellow cup rimmed in red, **2007**.
22. **'Quail'** 7 Y-Y, a jonquil hybrid, several blooms per stem, fragrant, **2007**.
23. **'Falconet'** 8 Y-R, a tazetta hybrid with yellow petals and a small red cup, several blooms per stem, fragrant, **2007**.
24. **'Kokopelli'** 7 Y-Y, an all yellow jonquil hybrid with several small blooms per stem, **2007**.
25. **'Saint Keverne'** 2 Y-Y, an all yellow large-cupped daffodil, **2007**.
26. **'Resplendent'** 2 Y-R, a red and yellow large-cupped daffodil, **2007**.
27. **'Brackenhurst'**, 2 Y-O, a red and yellow large-cupped daffodil, **2008**.
28. **'Hawera'**, 5 Y-Y, a miniature yellow triandrus hybrid with several blooms per stem, **2008**.
29. **'Crackington'**, 4 Y-O, a yellow and orange double daffodil, **2009**.
30. **'Misty Glen'**, 2W-GWW, an all-white large-cupped daffodil, **2010**.
31. **'Dreamlight'**, 3 W-GWR, a historic daffodil with white petals and a small cupped edged in red, **2010**.

32. **'Sun Disc'**, 7 Y-Y, a miniature all yellow daffodil, **2010**.
33. **'Barrett Browning'**, 3 WWY-O, white petals and a brightly colored cup make this a standout in the garden; **2011**.
34. **'Actaea'**, 9 W-Y-YR, white petals and a brightly colored cup make this historic poet a standout; **2012**.
35. **'Thalia'**, 5 W-W, white petals and cup make this Historic triandrus a standout; **2013**.
36. **'Tete-a-Tete'**, 12 Y-Y, yellow petals and cup make this miniature daffodil a standout; **2014**.
37. **'Golden Echo'**, 7WWY-Y, white petals and bright yellow cup make this fragrant jonquilla daffodil a standout; **2015**.
38. **'N. poeticus recurvus' (Pheasant's Eye)**, 13 - Species, Wild Variants, this poeticus daffodil is fragrant with recurved white petals, **2015**.
39. **'N. obvallaris' (The Tenby Daffodil)**, 13 - Species, Wild Variants, a *pseudonarcissus* subspecies this tough 13Y-Y daffodil was first published in 1796, **2015**.
40. **'Geranium'**, 8 W-O, broad white perianth segments, and a cup that is a shallow bowl-shaped and yellowish orange in color, with up to 6 flowers per stem, this Historic tazetta is a standout in the garden; **2016**.
41. **'Pink Charm'**, 2 W-WWP, perianth segments are ivory white, and the corona is yellowish white, with a broad band of pink coral at the ruffled rim. This cultivar is the absolute pink daffodil favorite for your garden, **2017**.
42. **'Mount Hood'**, 1W-W, this large trumpet daffodil opens with a bit of yellow but matures to creamy white. It is a standout in the garden, from strong stems to flaring trumpet to pristine perianth. Registered in 1938, this cultivar is also an ADS Historic daffodil. **2018**.
43. **'Las Vegas'**, 1W-Y, this large trumpet daffodil has ivory white perianth segments and a vivid yellow corona. With strong stems, a bright yellow flaring trumpet and pure white perianth, it is a standout in the garden. **2019**.
44. **'Sir Winston Churchill'**, 4W-O, this double daffodil has a white perianth and other petaloid segments in several whorls, and averages 4 flowers per stem. The corona segments are shorter than the center whorl and an orange color. Registered in 1966, this flower is strongly scented and is also an ADS Classics daffodil. **2020**.
45. **'Marieke'**, 1Y-GYY, this trumpet daffodil is a stellar 1986 Konijnenburg & Mark hybrid. It has a huge, upward facing flower with a vivid, yellow perianth and a long, darker yellow trumpet. Its large flowers are beautifully proportioned, graceful despite their size, nicely scented and long-lasting. **2021**.
46. **'Blushing Lady'**, 7Y-YYP, this jonquilla daffodil is a stand-out in the garden. It is soft yellow with a halo at the base of the cup. At maturity the edges of the cup develop a pink flush. There are usually three blooms per stem. This late blooming daffodil is a Brent C. Heath hybrid that was registered by Brent and Becky's Bulbs from Virginia, USA **2022**
47. **'Delibes'**, 2 Y-YYO, this stunning large-cupped daffodil is a showstopper in the garden. It has broad greenish yellow perianth segments with a shallow bowl-shaped corona that is lightly ribbed with vivid yellow shading to orange at the mouth that is frilled. This early to mid-season blooming daffodil was registered prior to 1950 and hybridized by F. Rijnveld and Sons from the Netherlands. **2023**.
48. **'Bantam'**, 2 Y-YOO, this intermediate sized daffodil is a standout in the garden. It has roundish, blunt, brilliant greenish yellow perianth segments with a bowl-shaped corona that is smooth or lightly ribbed orange, has a broad yellow zone at the base and sometimes has a darker orange at the rim. This late blooming daffodil was registered prior to 1950 and hybridized by Barr and Sons from England, UK. **2024**.

Wister Bulb Sources:

Please refer to our [Bulb Sources & Ordering Tips page](http://www.daffodilusa.org) on the ADS Website (www.daffodilusa.org) for sources of daffodil bulbs and some tips for ordering daffodil bulbs.