

Helleborus 'Black Tie Affair'



Helleborus 'BLT 02'



Helleborus 'Blushing Bridesmaid'



Helleborus 'Confetti Cake'



Helleborus 'Dark and Handsome'

HELLEBORUS (Hellebore, Lenten Rose)

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Beautiful and easy to grow, gardeners find winter-flowering hellebores or Lenten Rose are an enchanting plant for the shade garden and a harbinger of spring. Primarily native to Europe, the evergreen perennial comes in a variety of exquisite saucer-shaped, 2-4 inch flowers from flushed pinks to buttery hues to deep velvety black shades that can last 6-8 weeks. Hellebores' serrated foliage rises on sturdy stems and often remains attractive throughout the year. Historically used as both a poison and a purgative, hellebores are deer and rabbit resistant due to their toxicity. Although known for their drought tolerance once established and the ability to survive neglect, hellebores grow best in evenly moist, well-drained soil. They are very sensitive to poor drainage. They can withstand a few hours of morning or late afternoon sun but perform best in part-shade or part-sun. Hellebores are a delightful addition to any partially shaded border or patio where their flowers and foliage are on display when much of the landscape is still shades of brown and gray. The list below contains many new and beloved hellebore cultivars to add to any collection.

Latin Name Common Name	Mature Size	Light Soil	Pot Size	Price			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Black Tie Affair' 1.5 •• C. qt \$12 Dark violet edge, violet veins overlaid on cream-colored double flowers; yellow stamens; early–midspring.							
Helleborus 'BLT02' Angel Glow Christmas Rose Pink buds open frosty, light pink flowers, g foliage frosty blue-green; compact, mound		oo ⊄ 🔍 in age; midwi	1 g nter–early	\$16 spring;			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Blushing Bridesmaid' Double white flowers, picotee edge, raspbe Wedding Party TM series.	1.5 erry veins; la	●● ੴ. ate winter–ea	qt rly spring;	\$12			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Confetti Cake' Double white flowers, burgundy speckling Wedding Party TM series.	1.5 toward cen	on 🗐 🦗 ter; late winte	qt er—early sp	\$12 ring;			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Dark and Handsome' Silky black-purple, double flowers; creamy Wedding Party TM series.	1.5 stamens; la	• 🕮 🔍 🔍 ate winter–ea	1 g rly spring;	\$16			
Helleborus 'First Dance' Butter yellow double flowers; maroon pico Party™ series.	1.5 tee edge; ea	●● ੴ.€. arly–midsprin	qt ıg; Weddin	\$12 g			
Helleborus 'Flower Girl' Double light pink flowers infused with pink ruffled; early–midspring; Wedding Party™		●● ੴ.€. naroon speck	qt les; slightly	\$12			
Helleborus 'French Kiss' White flowers with beautiful detailing of ras raspberry-red central star; late winter-mid	1.5 spberry pin			\$16 es with			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Jade Star' Single green flowers infused, flushed and v midspring; Winter Jewels series.	.75–1	•• C.C.	1 g	\$16 winter–			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Klondike Gold' Bright, clear yellow, often with red speckle	1.5 s or red fla	on CLA. res at center;	1 g Mardi Gra	\$16 s series.			
<i>Helleborus</i> 'Midnight Ruffles' Large double black flowers; bright yellow r strain; early–midspring; Winter Thriller™		ower color va	1 g ries as this	\$16 is seed			



Helleborus 'First Dance'



Helleborus 'Flower Girl'



Helleborus 'French Kiss'



Helleborus 'New York Night'



Helleborus 'Paris in Pink'



Helleborus 'Rio Carnival'



Helleborus 'Rome in Red'



Helleborus 'Sandy Shores'



Helleborus 'Shotgun Wedding'



Helleborus 'True Love'



Helleborus 'Wedding Bells'

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Honeymoon® series. *Helleborus* 'Rio Carnival'

Helleborus 'New York Night'

stamens; Honeymoon® series. *Helleborus* 'Paris in Pink'

spring; Honeymoon® series. *Helleborus* 'Rome in Red'



Helleborus 'Wedding Crasher'

Pot Size

1 g

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Price

\$16

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Mature Size Light Soil

1.5

1.75

1.5

1.5

Dark purple/slate black single flowers late winter-midspring; cream-colored

Single light to medium pink flowers with dark maroon nectaries; early spring;

Single, light yellow flower, heavy burgundy-red speckling, dark purple center; early



Helleborus Pink Frost



Helleborus 'Apricot Juju'



Helleborus 'Enchanted Yellow'



Helleborus 'Green Juju'

Helleborus images courtesy of Walters Gardens ('Black Tie Affair'; 'Blushing Bridesmaid', 'Confetti Cake', 'Dark and Handsome'; 'First Dance', 'Flower Girl', 'French Kiss', 'New York Night', 'Paris in Pink', 'Rio Carnival', 'Rome in Red', 'Sandy Shores', 'Shotgun Wedding', 'True Love', 'Wedding Bells', 'Wedding Crasher'); Bob Lyons ('BLT 02'), Melinda Zoebrer (Pink Frost); Plants Nouveau ('Apricot Juju', 'Enchanted Yellow', 'Green Juju')

Single, burgundy, black-red flowers, lush ve winter; Honeymoon® series.	lvet textur	e; ivory-colored	d stamens;	late		
Helleborus 'Sandy Shores'	1.5	•• 🖽 🔍	1 g	\$16		
Single, pale apricot flower, dark purple central flare, rosy pink reverse; late winter;						
Honeymoon [®] series.						
Helleborus 'Shotgun Wedding'	1.5	00 🖉 🍬	qt	\$12		
Double white flowers with burgundy spots, white edges; Wedding Party [™] series.						
Helleborus 'True Love'	1.5	•• C	1 g	\$16		
Large, double maroon red flowers; late winter–early spring; Wedding Party [™] series.						
Helleborus 'Wedding Bells'	1.5	•• C	qt	\$12		
Clear white double flower; late winter–early spring; Wedding Party [™] series.						
Helleborus 'Wedding Crasher'	1.5	•• 🖽 🔍	qt	\$12		
Soft pink double flowers, dusty pink speckles; late winter-midspring; Wedding						
Party [™] series.						
Helleborus ×ballardiae 'COSEH 710'						
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Rose buds open to pink, white, rose-hued flowers; early-midspring; red stems; leaves with silver netting; Gold Collection®.						
Helleborus ×ballardiae 'COSEH 810'						

Merlin Christmas Rose 00 24 1 g \$16 1 Dark buds open to cranberry, mature to rich dusky pink; early-mid spring; Gold Collection®. Helleborus × ballardiae 'COSEH 930' Mahogany Snow 1 1 g \$16 Creamy-white flowers light pink outside, age to mahogany pink; early-midspring; red stems; Gold Collection®. *Helleborus foetidus* Bear's Foot Hellebore 1.25 O \$16 Finely cut, leathery foliage; chartreuse bell-like flowers, often with burgundy edges; late winter-early spring. O● 🖽 1 g Helleborus niger 'Josef Lemper' 1 \$16 Big, pure white, outward-facing, single flowers turn to light green; early winterspring; Gold Collection®. Helleborus orientalis 'Apricot Juju' \$12 1 at Single petalled apricot with red to maroon spots; winter-spring; Winter Magic™ series. Helleborus orientalis 'Enchanted Yellow' 1 •• CL. \$12 qt

Creamy yellow with maroon spots that can be separate on the petals or more of a splotch; winter–spring; Winter MagicTM series.

Helleborus orientalis 'Green Juju' 1 ●● C. , qt \$12 Single petalled apple green with red to purple spots; winter–spring; Winter Magic[™] series.