


2022 AIS Tall Bearded Iris Symposium

The symposium is an annual popularity poll of Tall Bearded (TB) iris conducted by the American Iris Society. All AIS members and non-members may vote in


this symposium. The top 100 Tall Bearded iris are then ranked. Here are the results for 2022.

Rank 2022	Rank 2021	Cultivar	Votes 2022	Hybridizer	Intro. Year	Bloom Season	Ht In	Brief Description
1	9	BOTTLE ROCKET	63	Sutton, M.	2010	EM & RE	35	S. orange; F. ruby red veined orange
2	6	QUEEN'S CIRCLE	62	Kerr, F.	2000	ML	32	white, blue border on F.
3	2	THAT'S ALL FOLKS	61	Maryott, B.	2005	M	40	S. gold; F. white w. gold band
4	1	DUSKY CHALLENGER	55	Schreiner	1986	M-L	39	dark purple
5	5	JESSE'S SONG	54	Williamson, B.	1983	M	36	white & violet plicata
5	2	THORNBIRD	54	Byers, M.	1989	M	35	ecru tan w. violet horns
7	4	DAUGHTER OF STARS	48	Spoon, D.	2001	EM & RE	35	purple luminata w. white edge
7	9	GYPSY LORD	48	Keppel, K.	2006	ML	40	S. white; F. violet w. white ctr & red beard
9	13	ABSOLUTE TREASURE	47	Tasco, R.	2006	M	42	sky blue w. white beard
10	11	FLORENTINE SILK	46	Keppel, K.	2005	ML	40	S. peach; F. violet w. pink edge
11	16	MONTMARTRE	45	Keppel, K.	2008	EM	33	S. purple w. yellow edge; F. purple w. white edge
11	8	STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN	45	Lauer, L.	1993	E-M	40	S. off white; F. medium blue
13	12	CONJURATION	41	Byers, M.	1989	M-L	36	white & violet & white w. horns
14	41	BELLE FILLE	40	Smith, M.	2015	E - L	34	S. blue-violet; F. purple luminata w. cream edge
15	17	HAUNTED HEART	39	Keppel, K.	2010	M	36	pinkish grey-white-lavender
16	13	SHARP DRESSED MAN	38	Johnson, T.	2010	M	36	S. purple; F. purple black



'Stairway To Heaven' (Larry Lauer 1993, TB)
 RILEY PROBST



'Haunted Heart' (Keith Keppel 2010, TB)
 MIKE SUTTON

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17	26	DARING DECEPTION	37	Johnson, T.	2012	M	35	S. white; F. violet w. wide white band
18	24	LADY FRIEND	36	Ghio, J.	1981	VE-E	38	garnet red
19	30	AUTUMN EXPLOSION	34	Tasco, R.	2013	EM & RE	33	white & pansy-purple fancy plicata
20	22	IMMORTALITY	33	Zurbrigg, L.	1982	M & RE	30	white
21	35	CLARENCE	32	Zurbrigg, L.	1991	M & RE	35	S. white; F. light blue
21	25	GOLDEN PANTHER	32	Tasco, R.	2000	M	34	gold/bronze
23	23	BEVERLY SILLS	31	Hager, B.	1979	M	36	pink
23	31	NOTTA LEMON	31	Burseen, T.	2010	EML	37	S. yellow; F. white w. lemon yellow edges
25	7	MESMERIZER	30	Byers, M.	1991	M	36	white w. white flounces
25	20	PAUL BLACK	30	Johnson, T.	2003	M	42	dark purple, orange beard
25	39	SUPERSTITION	30	Schreiner	1977	M	36	maroon black
28	36	DECADENCE	29	Blyth, B.	2004	M	38	S. apricot; F. plum w. apricot edge
28	28	DON'T DOUBT DALTON	29	Burseen, T.	2015	EML	35	S. white; F. white w. gold hafts & purple splattering
28	26	STEPPING OUT	29	Schreiner	1964	M-L	38	white & violet plicata
31	43	BLACK MAGIC WOMAN	28	Tasco, R.	2008	EM	34	S. red-violet; F. black
31	18	DRAMA QUEEN	28	Keppel, K.	2003	EM	38	cyclamen purple/capucine buff plicata
31	31	FOOTBALL HERO	28	Miller, L.	2015	M	36	S. butter yellow; F. plum-purple w. orchid edge
34	21	SPLASHACATA	27	Tasco, R.	1998	M	35	purple on white dotted plicata
35	29	BEFORE THE STORM	26	Innerst, S.	1989	M	36	near black
35	63	DON'T STOP BELIEVING	26	Johnson, T.	2013	LM	42	S. pink; F. white
35	52	RISE LIKE A PHOENIX	26	Black, P.	2017	M-L	46	S. gold; F. dark velvety red-black
35	19	SILVERADO	26	Schreiner	1987	M	38	light silver blue
35	36	YAQUINA BLUE	26	Schreiner	1992	M	37	medium blue
40	15	CELEBRATION SONG	25	Schreiner	1993	E-M-L	37	S. apricot pink; F. blue lavender
41	55	CHAMPAGNE ELEGANCE	24	Niswonger, D.	1987	M	33	pink & apricot
41	43	TITAN'S GLORY	24	Schreiner	1981	E-M	37	dark violet



'Clarence' (Lloyd Zurbrigg 1991, TB-Re)

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'Titan's Glory' (Schreiners 1981, TB)

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43	46	MARY FRANCES	23	Gaulter, L.	1973	M	38	blue-orchid
43	41	SEA POWER	23	Keppel, K.	1999	M	38	ruffled blue
43	33	SKATING PARTY	23	Gaulter, L.	1983	M-L	40	white
46	72	CHIHUAHUA DESERT	22	Dash, H.	2016	EM	37	S. white; F. tan-violet over white
46	40	GLITTER GULCH	22	Burseen, T.	2009	EM	36	cadmium orange w. spoons
46	55	GOT MILK	22	Aitken, T.	2002	ML	40	white self
46	82	OIL PAINTING	22	Ghio, J.	2013	EM	38	orange w. tan band on F.
46	63	RECKLESS ABANDON	22	Keppel, K.	2010	M	38	S. white-yellow; F. burgundy black
46	47	RUSTLER	22	Keppel, K.	1988	M	37	gold-brown
46	47	WINTRY SKY	22	Keppel, K.	2002	EM	36	S. blue; F. blue white
53	--	BRAVERY	21	Ghio, J.	2012	EM	37	S. blue white; F. blue purple w. white band
53	72	INK PATTERNS	21	Johnson, T.	2007	ML	36	white plicata w. blue-violet stitched edges
55	91	BROUHAHA	20	Ghio, J.	2012	E & RE	34	S. apricot peach; F. white w. purple band
55	33	INSANIAC	20	Johnson, T.	2012	M	33	S. white; F. white overlaid violet lines
55	--	MARRY THE NIGHT	20	Johnson, T.	2017	E	32	dark purple & white plicata
55	63	SLOVAK PRINCE	20	Mego, A.	2003	M	33	S. orchid w. gold rim; F. purple w. white zone
55	49	TIJUANA TAXI	20	Kanarowski, D.	2014	M	41	S. red-orange; F. ruby-red; B. red-tangerine
55	38	VANITY	20	Hager, B.	1975	E-L	36	pink
61	72	BETTER THAN BUTTER	19	Black, P.	2010	E-L	41	S. white w. yellow bands; F. light medium yellow
61	60	BLACK LIPSTICK	19	Keppel, K.	2016	EM	35	purple black
61	63	GHIRARDELLI SQUARE	19	Keppel, K.	2016	EM	38	S. brown; F. white w. purple-chocolate plicata edge
61	68	MILLENNIUM FALCON	19	Kasperek, B.	2000	M	38	blue bitone w. white streaks
61	49	STRAWBERRY SHAKE	19	Keppel, K.	2012	M	36	creamy strawberry pink w. pink beards
61	99	TUSCAN SUMMER	19	Keppel, K.	2010	M	38	blackish port wine w. yellow striations on F.
67	--	BROKE AGAIN	18	Tyson, B.	2012	EM & RE	34	S. peach pink; F. pink w. purple splashes; pink horns
67	68	DOUBLE PLATINUM	18	Ghio, J.	2011	M-L&RE	36	S. light. pink; F. deeper pink; B. tangerine



'Got Milk' (Terry Aitken 2002, TB)
 📍 BREEZEWAY IRIS GARDEN



'Strawberry Shake' (Keith Keppel 2012, TB)
 📍 KEITH KEPPEL

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67	63	VICTORIA FALLS	18	Schreiner	1977	E-L	40	blue; white spot on F.
70	60	BLACK IS BLACK	17	Schreiner	2010	M	37	black self
70	43	EDITH WOLFORD	17	Hager, B.	1986	M	40	S. yellow; f. blue-violet
70	68	ELIZABETHAN AGE	17	Baumunk, L.	2005	EM	33	S. apricot; F. purple white luminata w. apricot band
70	55	GOING MY WAY	17	Gibson, J.	1972	M	37	white & violet plicata
70	60	HELLO DARKNESS	17	Schreiner	1992	E-M	37	purple black
70	55	HOLLYWOOD NIGHTS	17	Duncan, R.	2001	M	32	deep purple black, white spray
70	76	MONEY IN YOUR POCKET	17	Black, P.	2007	M	44	S. blue; F. blue, darker at hafts
70	--	PLOT LINE	17	Ghio, J.	2011	EM	38	S. blue w. tan halo; F. mahogany maroon; B. yellow
70	82	RARE TREAT	17	Schreiner	1987	E-M	34	blue & white plicata
70	55	ROYSTON RUBIES	17	Cordes, A.	2017	LM	32	S. mauve; F. dark ruby red
70	52	STARRING	17	Ghio, J.	2000	ML	33	S. white; F. purple black
70	68	SUPERHERO	17	Ghio, J.	2012	ML	38	S. white w. gold halo; F. maroon w. gold sunburst
70	85	TIGER HONEY	17	Kasperek, B.	1994	EM	38	butterscotch caramel w. wht & yell streaks
83	--	BEAUTY BECOMES HER	16	Black, P.	2010	M-VL	42	S. medium dark yellow; F. pale yellow w. darker edge
83	76	SPICE TRADER	16	Painter, J.	2010	M	37	golden bronze, S. overlaid w. bronze wash
85	--	COW PATTY	15	Burseen, T.	2013	M-L	36	S. brown; F. henna; B. saffron
85	76	LACED COTTON	15	Schreiner	1980	M-L	34	laced white
85	--	MOLOKINI	15	Sutton, M.	2016	E-M	38	S. cinnamon; F. violet-blue w. almond shell rim
85	--	PRISSY CHRISTY	15	Burseen, T.	2014	E-M	36	S. rose purple; F. violet w. center washed blue
89	--	BLUEBIRD OF HAPPINESS	14	Black, P.	2012	M-VL	45	blue w. B. orange
89	95	CORE VALUES	14	Ghio, J.	2013	E-L	38	S. bright gold; F. gold w. mahogany edge
89	76	CROWNED HEADS	14	Keppel, K.	1997	M	38	S. wisteria; F. lt. blue
89	--	DAY ON THE BAY	14	Ghio, J.	2012	VE-M	30	S. yellow; F. white w. violet band
89	--	FOLIES BERGERE	14	Ghio, J.	2017	EM	36	S. orange; F. same w. fuchsia band
89	49	HAPPENSTANCE	14	Keppel, K.	2000	M	37	pink



'Money In Your Pocket' (Paul Black 2007, TB)
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'Crowned Heads' (Keith Keppel 1997, TB)
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89	--	NOT BROKE THIS TIME	14	Tyson, B.	2015	M	33	purple self
89	91	PEGGY SUE	14	Lauer, L.	2006	EML&RE	34	pink w. red beard
89	--	VOLCANIC GLOW	14	Keppel, K.	2012	M	36	luminata S. aureolin; F. red
98	--	BLINDED BY THE LIGHT	13	Lauer, L.	2017	E-M	32	S. nasturtium orange; F. tangerine-orange
98	--	BOUNDLESS	13	Sutton, M.	2010	E-L & RE	35	S. canary yellow; F. white w. violet-blue rim
98	--	DAZZLE	13	Ghio, J.	2011	ML	40	S. apricot pink; F. purple w. pink rim
98	--	HONKY TONK RUMBLE	13	Nichols, H.	2015	M-L	36	S. honey-brown; F. copper-honey-brown
98	88	IRRESISTIBLE CHARM	13	Tasco, R.	2016	LM	37	S. peach; F. black-plum-purple
98	--	JEANNE CLAY PLANK	13	Kerr, F.	2012	M	44	S. orange; F. orange ground overlaid purple
98	85	JURASSIC PARK	13	Lauer, L.	1995	EM	36	S. yellow; F. purple
98	52	KATHY CHILTON	13	Kerr, F.	2006	ML	35	S. gold; F. red-black B. gold
98	--	NEW FOUND GLORY	13	Kerr, F.	2013	M-L	36	S. white edged brown; F. red-black w. white zonal
98	91	OPPOSITES	13	Trio, S.	2012	ML	33	S. white; F. dark blue-purple w. white blaze
98	95	RARE COIN	13	Ghio, J.	2014	ML	36	S. gold; F. white w. brown rim
98	72	SNAPSHOT	13	Johnson, T.	2008	M	32	S. yellow; F. mahogany w. yellow center

Dropped from the list: (12) Boston Cream, Coal Seams, Daffy Duck, Flash Mob, I'm So Confused, Luminager, Oh Carol, Tobacco Chew, Voulez-Vous, Why Be Normal, Why Cows Gossip, and World Premier.

New to the list: (18) Beauty Becomes Her, Blinded By The Light, Bluebird Of Happiness, Boundless, Bravery, Broke Again, Cow Patty, Day On The Bay, Dazzle, Folies Bergere, Honky Tonk Rumble, Jeanne Clay Plank, Marry The Night, Molokini, New Found Glory, Not Broke This Time, Plot Line, Prissy Christy, and Volcanic Glow.

Runners-Up: Albuquerque Skies, Edge Of The World, Sweet Child Of Mine, Tobacco Chew, and Why Cows Gossip with 12 votes each.

Close: Celtic Tartan, Clydesdale, Coal Seams, Dark Storm, Hard To Resist, I'm So Confused, Jelly Bean Parade, Judy's Smile, Metro Blue, Ninja Warrior, Pumpkin Pie Ala Mode, Storm Rider, and Texas Two Step with 11 votes each.



'Blinded By The Light' (Larry Lauer 2017, TB)
 ROBIN SHADLOW



'Rare Coin' (Joseph Ghio 2014, TB)
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