

Azaleas Registered in 2024

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The following azalea names were approved and added to the International Rhododendron Register in 2024 by the Royal Horticultural Society, which serves as the International Cultivar Registration Authority for the genus *Rhododendron*.

Guide to entries

Royal Horticultural Society color numbers in parentheses, unless another system is noted

X – primary cross

(s) – seed parent of cross, if known

x – cross of an unnamed parent

H – hybridized by

G – grown to first flower by

R – raised by

S – selected by

N – named by

I – introduced commercially by

REG – registered by



‘Pink Spinner’, evergreen azalea. Bud: deep purplish pink (68A). Inside of flower: deep purplish pink (N57D); strong purplish red (67A) blotch in center of 3 dorsal petals. Outside: deep purplish pink (64D). Calyx: strong yellow-green (145A). Funnel, fully dissected strap petals. 2 inches (51mm) long x 3.25 inches (83mm) wide, with 5 linear-spatulate lobes, flat margins; calyx: 0.4 inch (11mm) long. Style shading from pink at base through whitish to green-white, green stigma fading to yellow; green-white stamens, typically 5, rarely setting pollen. 2-3 flowers per terminal. Blooming midseason (early May in Baltimore area). Leaves: moderate yellow-green (137C),

matte; 1.6 inches (41mm) x 0.6 inches (16mm); lanceolate, cuneate base, acuminate apex, flat margins. Shrub: 3 feet (0.9m) tall x 1.5 feet (0.5m) wide in 8 years, intermediate habit, leaves held 2 growing seasons. Hardy to -5°F (-21°C) or colder; heat tolerant to 105°F (41°C) or warmer. Parentage: ‘Tina’s Whorled’ (s) X ‘Dorothy Clark’. H (2016), G (2020), N (2024), REG (2024): John S. Kaylor, Sykesville, MD.

References

Names conform to the rules and recommendations of the *International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants*, Ninth Edition (2016). Color names are from *A Contribution Toward Standardization of Color Names in Horticulture*, Robert D. Huse and Kenneth L. Kelly; Donald H. Voss, editor.

To Register an Azalea or Rhododendron Name

Electronic registration applications from North Americans should be submitted at www.rhododendron.org/plantregistry.htm. The site also provides instructions and forms for downloading and completing manually. Those submitting paper applications should use only the current form (revised 2015). The quickest way to obtain paper forms is to ask a friend with Internet access to go to the website and print the form and instructions. Questions, completed paper forms, all photographs and requests for paper forms should be directed to Michael Martin Mills, North American Registrar, arsregistrar@gmail.com; 632 Burnham Road, Philadelphia, PA 19119; 215-844-6253. There is no fee.

Registrants outside of North America should direct inquiries to Sharon McDonald, International Rhododendron Registrar, sharonmcdonald@rhs.org.uk; mailing address: RHS Garden Wisley, Woking, Surrey GU23 6QB, United Kingdom.

International Rhododendron Register & Checklist (2004)

Digital versions (pdf format) of IRRC and its Supplements are accessible, without charge, at www.rhodogroup-rhs.org/publications/books/rhodo-register.

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