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On Our Cover: Hope Elizabeth Mayo,
the granddaughter of Mary Voss.

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Garage Insulating Tips

• *By Nichole Diavonti*

Gino is in love with Styrofoam. He loves the fact that it's lightweight, can be carved and resealed, makes good medium for many things. So there are always many panels of the stuff here at home for his ideas and projects. Recently a friend of ours from Port Charlotte (about 30 miles north of us) asked him about insulation for his garage doors. This man is in zone 8, and has to protect his tender tropicals in winter. Without skipping a beat, Gino told him to use Styrofoam panels to insulate the doors, as this is the only material he could think of that is lightweight enough to use.

'It will allow the doors to still work easily when using the garage door opener, and it will cut with a turkey knife to the perfect size,' he told him. 'You could have the entire project done in under an hour,' Gino went on to say.

I thought of my northern Brugmansia growing friends when I heard this. How smart! You can't insulate garage doors with drywall, it's too heavy!

But in a snap, you could use those 4 foot x 8 foot Styrofoam panels sold at Home Depot!



Moulin Rouge
BGI Brugmansia of the Year
Elizabeth Fichtl

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Brugmansia Growers International would like to announce the following new cultivar names in the genus Brugmansia:

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Mona Lisa'
Pod Parent: Delta Dawn
Pollen Parent: Phenomenal
Originator/Hybridizer: JT Sessions
Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): JT Sessions
Flower Form: single
Flower Color: Pink
Flower Position: nodding
Flower Shape: Trumpet
Foliage: Solid
Released: Yes
Year Released: 2011
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis
Noteworthy Characteristics: Puts on large flushes strong fragrance, exhibits good heat tolerance and disease resistance



Brugmansia 'Mona Lisa'



New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Peach Pie'
Pod Parent: El Dorado
Pollen Parent: Double Play
Originator/Hybridizer: JT Sessions
Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): JT Sessions
Flower Form: single
Flower Color: Apricot/Melon/Peach
Flower Position: nodding
Flower Shape: Intermediate Trumpet Funnel
Foliage: Solid
Released: Yes
Year Released: 2011
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis
Noteworthy Characteristics: Thick, waxy blooms, good fragrance, heat and disease resistant, So far it is not bothered by insects.



Brugmansia 'Peach Pie'

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Double Play'

Pod Parent: El Dorado

Pollen Parent: Royal Ruby

Originator/Hybridizer: JT Sessions

Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): JT Sessions

Flower Form: double or more

Flower Color: Pink

Flower Position: pendant

Flower Shape: Trumpet

Foliage: Solid

Released: Yes

Year Released: 2011

Species Group: Warm

Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis

Noteworthy Characteristics: Heat resistant double, Serrated leaves unusual in a pink double



Brugmansia 'Double Play'



New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Kylie's Surprise'

Pod Parent: Bernstein

Pollen Parent: Jamie

Originator/Hybridizer: Mike Pettit

Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): Mike Pettit

Flower Form: single

Flower Color: Orange

Flower Position: nodding

Flower Shape: Trumpet

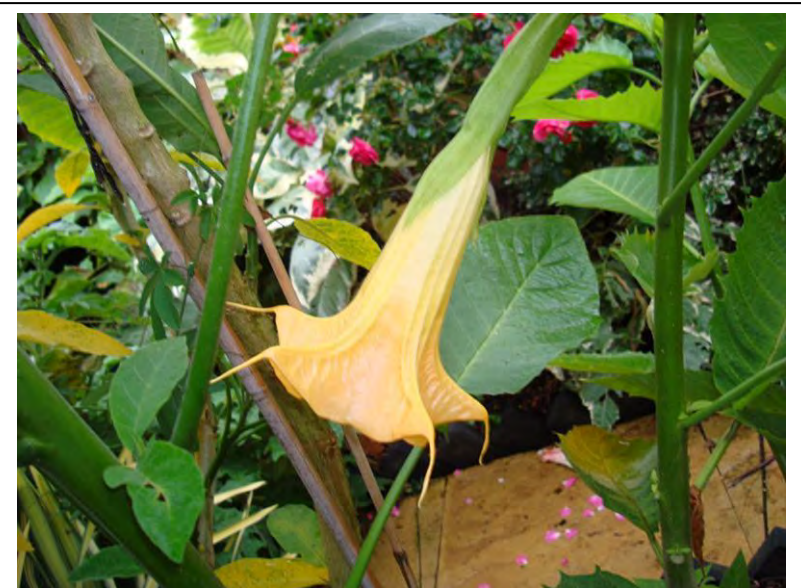
Foliage: Solid

Released: No

Species Group: Warm

Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis

Noteworthy Characteristics: good solid colour, bug resistant, nice shaped leaves with a serrated edge



Brugmansia 'Kylie's Surprise'



Brugmansia 'Petite Abigail'

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Petite Abigail'
Pod Parent: Bernstein
Pollen Parent: Jamie
Originator/Hybridizer: Mike Pettit
Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): Mike Pettit
Flower Form: single
Flower Color: Orange
Flower Position: nodding
Flower Shape: Trumpet
Foliage: Solid
Released: No
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis
Noteworthy Characteristics: Good shape early prolific blooms on a medium size plant



Brugmansia 'Tattered Angel'

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Tattered Angel'
Pod Parent: Creamsickle
Pollen Parent: Rosamond
Originator/Hybridizer: Edna Murphree
Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): Edna Murphree
Flower Form: double or more
Flower Color: Apricot/Melon/Peach
Flower Position: pendant
Flower Shape: Trumpet
Foliage: Solid
Released: No
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: candida
Noteworthy Characteristics: Shredded Peach bloom



Brugmansia 'Chablis'

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Chablis'
 Pod Parent: Dorthea
 Pollen Parent: Ruffles And Flourishes
 Originator/Hybridizer: Elizabeth Fichtl
 Seedling Parent (who grew the plant from seed): Elizabeth Fichtl
 Flower Form: single
 Flower Color: Pink
 Flower Position: nodding
 Flower Shape: Trumpet
 Foliage: Solid
 Released: No
 Species Group: Warm
 Species/Breeding History Set: candida
 Noteworthy Characteristics: Medium pink, long corolla teeth, very symmetrical form and elegant lines, good fragrance, prefers temps 65-80 degrees for blooming, easily propagated, strong growth habit.



Brugmansia 'Hurstwood Francisco'

New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Hurstwood Francisco'
 Pod Parent: Pink Vulcanicola
 Pollen Parent: Not known but possibly sanguinea/vulsa
 Originator/Hybridizer: Collected from 'wild' plants
 Seedling Parent: Alan Ashworth
 Flower Form: single
 Flower Color: Apricot/Melon/Peach
 Flower Position: nodding
 Flower Shape: Trumpet
 Foliage: Solid
 Released: Yes
 Year Released: 2011
 Species Group: Cold
 Species/Breeding History Set: vulsa
 Noteworthy Characteristics: Being seed raised it carries a unique colouring.

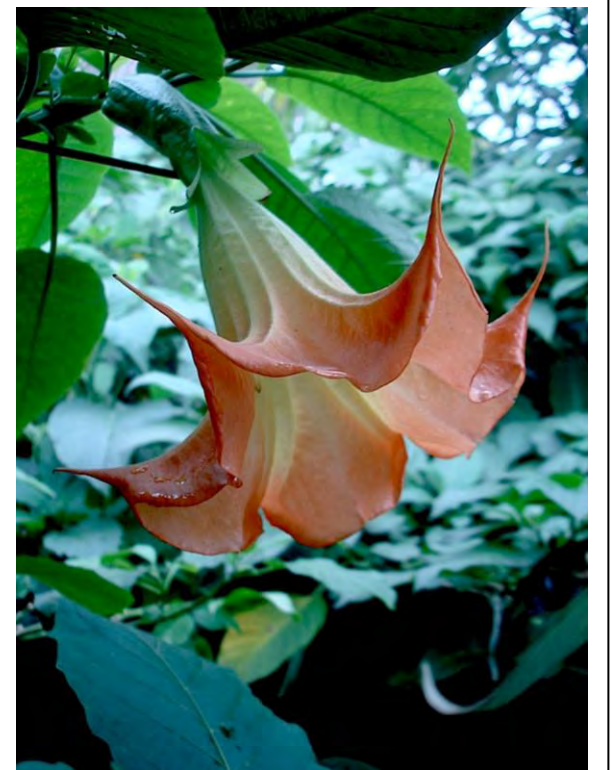
New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Parasol'
Pod Parent: Jacayna
Pollen Parent: Adeline
Originator/Hybridizer: Elizabeth Fichtl
Seedling Parent: Elizabeth Fichtl
Flower Form: single
Flower Color: Pink
Flower Position: nodding
Flower Shape: Funnel
Foliage: Solid
Released: Yes
Year Released: 2011
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis
Noteworthy Characteristics: Robust and fast growing plant, blooms dinner plate size flowers with almost flat face.



Brugmansia 'Parasol'



New Cultivar Name: *Brugmansia* 'Cinnabar'
Pod Parent: Dalai Lama
Pollen Parent: Angel's Moonlight
Originator/Hybridizer: Elizabeth Fichtl
Seedling Parent: Elizabeth Fichtl
Flower Form: single
Flower Color: Apricot/Melon/Peach
Flower Position: nodding
Flower Shape: Funnel
Foliage: Solid
Released: Yes
Year Released: 2011
Species Group: Warm
Species/Breeding History Set: cubensis
Noteworthy Characteristics: Fast growing, easily reproduced, distinctive melon color.



Brugmansia 'Cinnabar'

Overwintering

• By Dan Carter (rudy625)



With around 100 plants in my basement, I find that each plant is different. By that I mean that if I have say 3 plants under lights, same size, everything. I find that each of the 3 will require different water, fertilizer, and insect control. I found that I really must play it by ear and observe and/or treat each plant according to its needs. About the only consistent thing is the temp in the basement, which stays somewhere around 55-65* F. I think that sometimes we tend to think that plants are the same, but if you look at them, you will see subtle differences, even in cuttings from the same mother plant will grow differently. Some will use more water than its siblings; some may yellow and benefit from some Epsom salts, while its brother/sister next to it is as green as ever. These are just things that I have observed in my own case, not that it will apply to anyone else. I look at it like this, if you put 100 PEOPLE in a room for 5-6 months and supplied them with a "standard, one size fits

all" diet etc., at the end of the 6 months some would be fine, but I assure you that some will be very ill, or at the least, not look well at all. And, maybe, some will have expired, even though they all received the same things at the same time. As Dawna said, totally different climate and growing conditions demand different care. What works for me may kill your plants, and visa-versa. As for fertilizer, I use a very diluted solution on mine all winter to avoid the "feast-famine" syndrome that stresses the plant with an abundance of food one day, then nothing for the next 30 Or so days, again, like people, how well would WE survive with treatment like that. After all, in the wild, the nutrients are in the ground all year round, and the plants seem to manage to take only what they need during the shorter cooler days of winter. Again, this is just my take on this, and I do not profess to be any kind of expert.



The Thousand Bloom Method

• As cited by Tom Hulse (Grrnrthumb)

Found this very interesting article from 1888 that describes a method for maximizing blooms in temperate climates where our brugs need to be wintered over. Basically they winter them the same, plant them out directly into the ground in spring as usual, but then in late July root prune down with a sharp spade close to the trunk, partially remove the dirt, and mix in a lot of "short stable manure" (what does that mean, composted??). The roots were said to form a dense mass in this manure, and the plant had a much easier time with transplant shock when pulled up in late fall. One old grower who used this method reported "no fewer than a thousand flowers on a 4-year-old plant, 6' high".

Have a look at the article here -

<http://books.google.com/books?id=BylIAAAAYAAJ&dq=brugmansia%20naturalized%20mexico&pg=PA642#v=onepage&q&f=false>