

‘Adenium VF Hybrids’

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Offered Sizes:

We offer Adeniums in many sizes - from seeds to 2 meter tall, 30 year old plants. Most Adenium plants sold are grafted - unlike most growers, we graft low on young Adenium seedlings.

Our primary sales are in two sizes - "Liners" and "Regular". Liners are 3 month old grafts with the graft-union well healed and scion giving 2 shoots. They come out of 6 cm square pots and we recommend they go into 10 cm pots for rooting.

Regular Size are mature plants from 12 cm pots that are multibranched and will go into 15 cm or larger pots.



- Over the last 30 years, we have been selling Adenium Hybrids from Taiwan and Thailand with a few from our own breeding program.
- In 2018 we initiated a much more ambitious Adenium breeding program on a new, isolated site with 60,000 sq feet of dedicated plastic houses. The seedlings we get are therefore kept away from the commercial production areas and we have maintained this isolation to prevent virus contamination from the older hybrids.
- Till now, ALL commercial Grafted Adeniums in the trade are infected with various viruses. This reduces plant vigour (sometimes a lot), increases susceptibility to disease and pests and leads to leaf mosaic, flower colour break and split flowers.

- We are now ready to release our own *Adenium Tropica* Hybrids – all from our own breeding program, all virus free and all selected for superior characteristics on many fronts including strong stems, nice dark green leaves and superior flowering. In a year or maximum two we hope to supply only our own, very superior Virus Free *Adenium* Hybrids.
- Pricing – after a lot of thought we have decided to keep pricing on our New, much Superior *Adenium* Hybrids the same as before – there will be no premium charged for these new *Adenium Tropica* Hybrids.
- Sizes too remain the same – Liners for now and in the next few months, Regular Sizes.

- Based on over 40 years of past breeding experience, the new program offers Adeniums divided into several different Groups:
 - Mini/Floribunda Adeniums – These are relatively compact plants with small leaves, small to medium sized flowers in great profusion and easy branching characteristics. They are most suitable for smaller pots sizes.
 - Compact Adeniums – With normal sized leaves and flowers but with short internodes, these give an overall compact plant for medium sized pots.
 - Regular or Normal Adeniums – this is what you expect from Adeniums – medium sized plants with average to large flowers.
 - Big & Bold – This is a new Group that we are working with, especially for large pots and for the US market. Everything is a little larger here – stems, leaves and flowers.

Each of these Groups represents overall plant growth – flowers in each can be single or multi-layered, mostly doubles and triples.

- Tropica's Adenium Breeding program is a long term effort and we continue to breed, select and propagate exceptional new Adeniums. Better new Adenium hybrids will be released on a regular basis.
- One of the main changes in our Adenium breeding outlook is to look at the plant architecture – most current Adenium hybrids have been selected for and are grown for the flowers. We are, more and more, making sure our selections are also great looking pot plants with strong, upright stems, really attractive leaves and relatively compact internode space so the plant looks attractive even when not in bloom.
- On the flower front we are looking for bunches with a lot of flowers – 15+buds in each inflorescence is basic. Quick repeat flowering is also of importance. We want, given good growing conditions (warmth, lots of sun and moderate but constant feed levels), to get Adeniums that will be almost constantly in bloom.

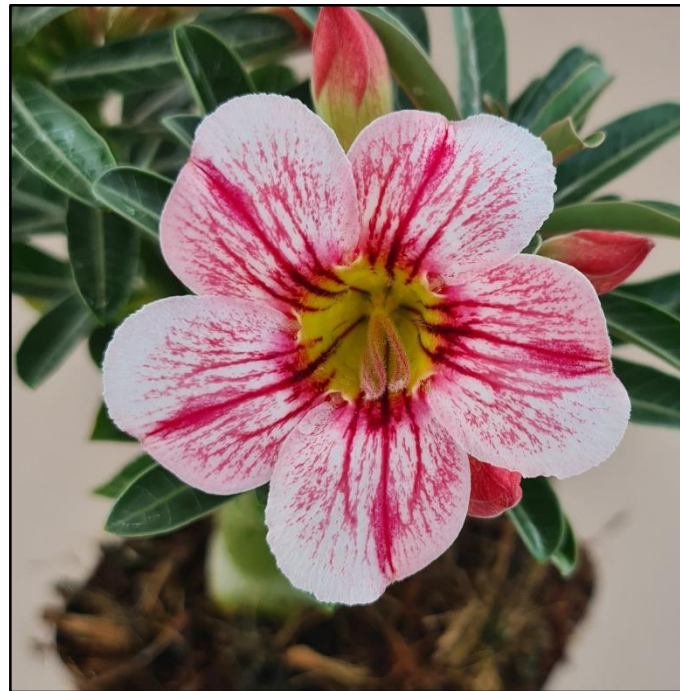
Floribunda cultivars

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#03 Mini 2019



S.2021 #365



S.2020 #71



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S.2020 #103



S.2020 #203



#03 Mini 2018

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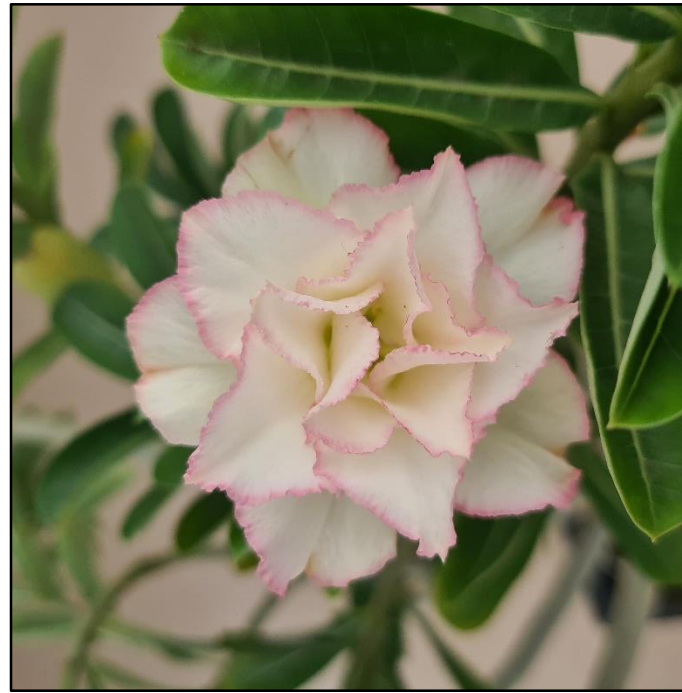
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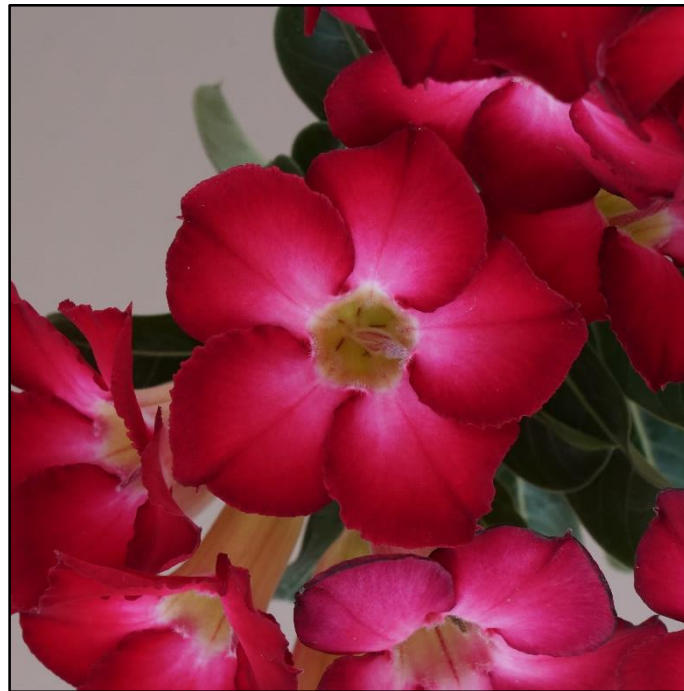
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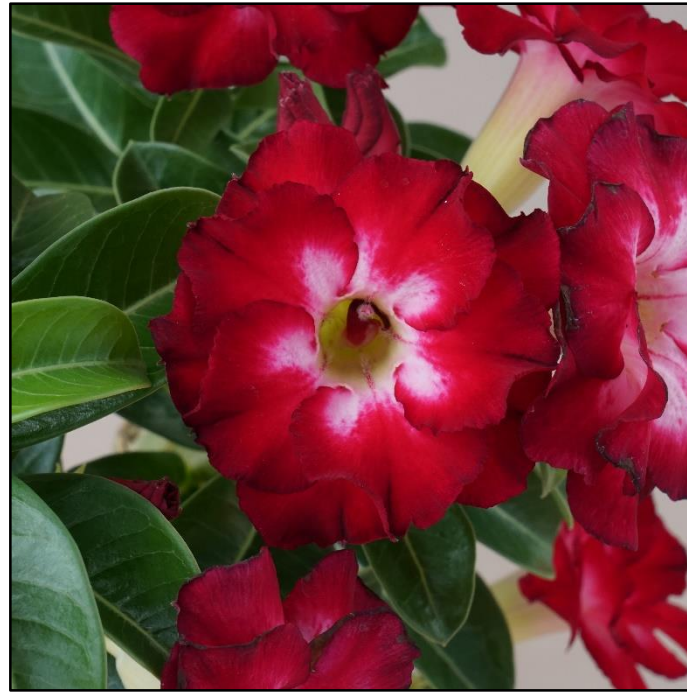
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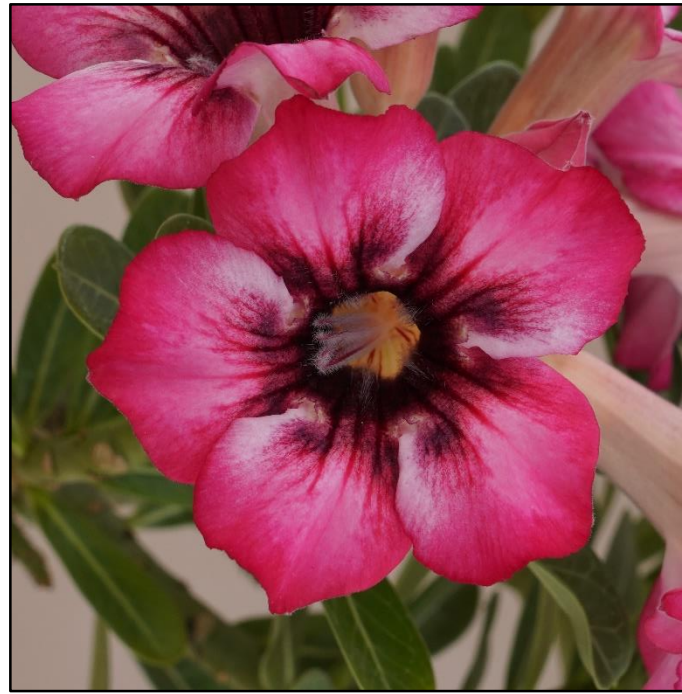
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S.2021 #154



S.2020 #81

Mid- sized cultivars

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S.2020 #177



S.2021 #230



S.2021 #50



S.2020 #86



S.2021 #236



S.2022 #36



S.2021 #343



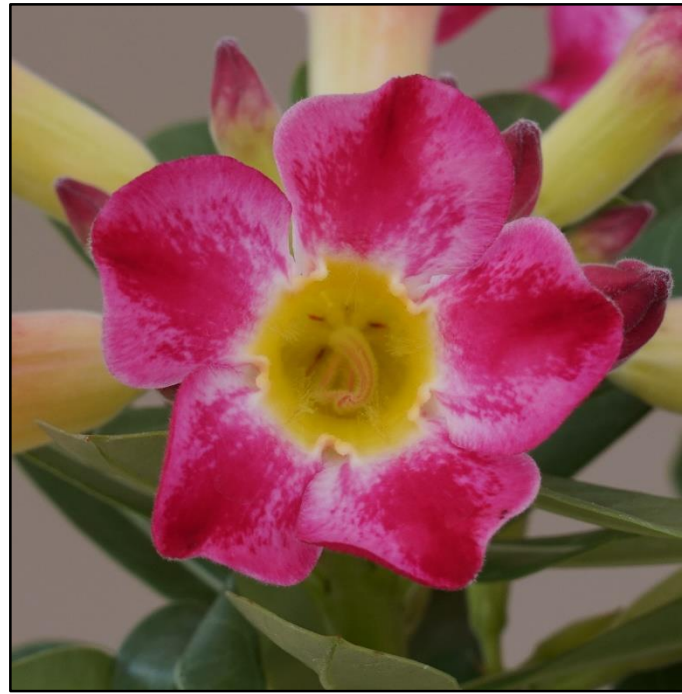
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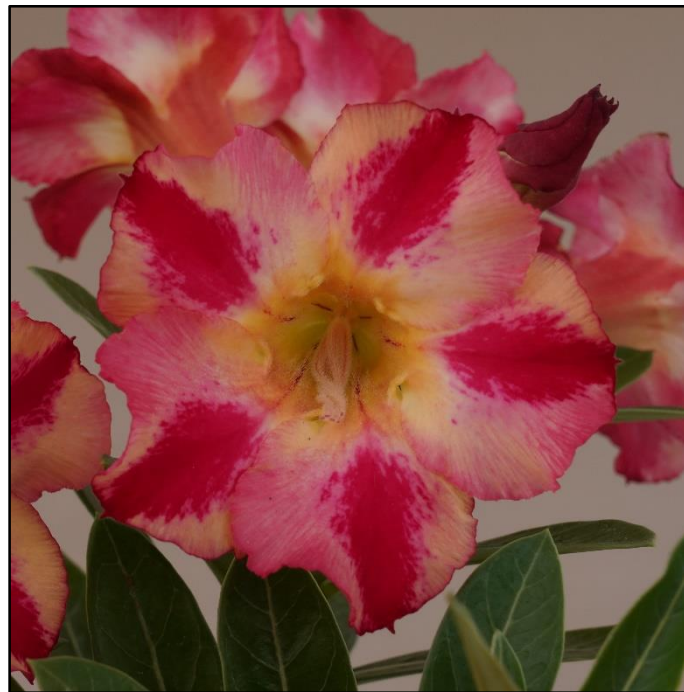
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S.2021 #322



S.2022 #167



S.2022 #126



S.2022 #98



S.2021 #302



S.2022 #64



S.2021 #45



S.2022 #30



S.2022 #149



S.2021 #200

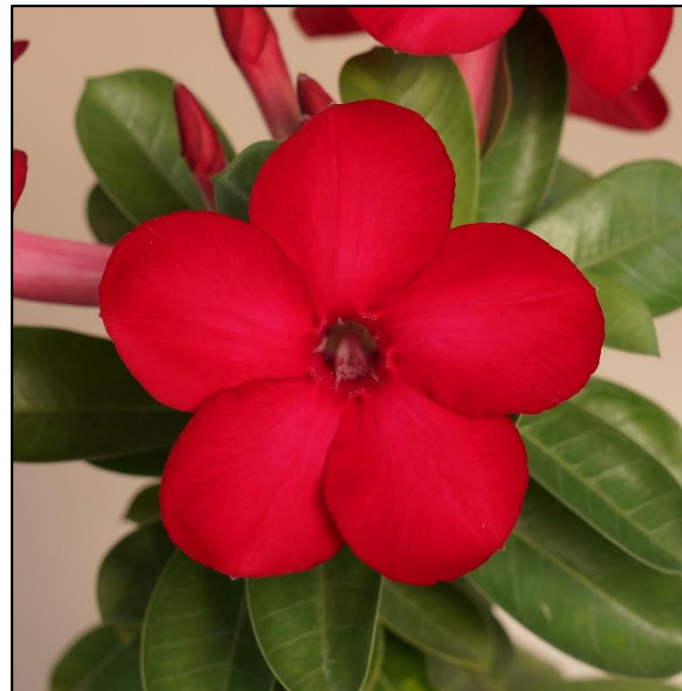
Big & Bold cultivars

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S.2020 #38



S.2021 #353



S.2021 #350



S.2021 #213



S.2021 #304



S.2021 #147



S.2022 #103



S.2021 #321

Unusual cultivars

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S.2021 #335