## **Introduction - New member**

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## Zitat von BernhardA

Hello Bruce! Welcome to the AG and welcome here in the forum!

Greetings Bernhard

There definitely seems to be a common pattern in the beginning, for over 6 years I had only Schicks and UK hybrids, I have 121/127 Schicks. Searching for the remainder was how I found Andreas and the German hybrids.

Then I saw the Wotora varieties, of course they were very exciting! Pink Stripes, Annette Liske, Feuerzauber etc. Then I started buying suitable parents, Worlitz, Asterix, Cantora Gelb, Flying Dragon etc. Then progressed to more hybrids, ASD Rokoko, Tropenzauber, Lobivia (Thai e.g. BIV etc) and some of Wladi's wonderful hybrids. Of course, I have many more, but much of this part of my collection is still young.

Many purchased plants are very small, so grafting became important. My Asterix was unrooted 1.5cm x 1.5cm, it is now happily grafted. I like to try different techniques and stock plants to maximise growth and save any waste (grafting the bottoms/reverse grafts etc). I have had great success with grafting from my first attempt. But there is still much I hope to learn and refine!

I have not tried to send pollen via mail, so I cannot help there.

I would really like to travel to the next meeting in Spring, it is important to meet people!

Nice to see you too Patrick! 💛