



International Garden Of The Week

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Bienvenue au Jardin Keriell

Jardin Keriell is named after the location where I live. The hamlet of Keriell in the little town of Plouedern, Brittany, is situated on the Celtic northwest peninsula of France. My passion for gardening and love of daylilies has flourished here and I am happy share some photos for you to see.

I have always been attracted to summer flowers since my youth. Especially ones grown by Marie, my grandmother, whose backyard was filled with annuals and perennials, including daylilies, *Hemerocallis fulva* of course, also old A.B. Stout 'Mikado' and 'Theron'.

Later, after college, I went to Scotland for a summer job at beautiful Lilliesleaf, Roxburghshire. It was there, thanks to Teyl the owner of the nursery, at that time, that my future in gardening and hybridizing was secured.

For about 15 years now, I have read AHS documentation about daylilies and have been collecting daylilies in European nurseries and started breeding my own line as well.

When I started hybridizing, I was dreaming of good modern daylilies for mixed flower beds. Here in our oceanic climate with cold summer nights, the development of good opening bordered daylilies was my first goal. Florida grown daylilies with nice ruffled blooms, in catalogue pictures, did not reveal their best here, but sometimes their babies did! 2012 was the year of my first AHS registrations after 10 years observing hundreds of seedlings... the exciting journey has just started - I can't stop now.

The garden could become an AHS display garden, the first in France, as the papers are in progress. The garden of just less than one acre is a place to express more than feelings. Every day is different and from June to October a daylily face brightens the landscape. More than massive plantings, the daylilies are entwined with other plants; this involves choosing a good color, shape and height. The garden now has a large variety of plants from trees to ground cover, and in every bed a daylily can be seen.

Family and friends are involved in maintaining Jardin Keriell. The hands of Odile, my mother, and of my good friend Gaston are precious; also the partnership with Julien from [Caillarec Nurseries](#) who is a reliable source of plant testing, and a way of offering my introductions to the market.

Daylilies are an inexhaustible source of delight and I really enjoy giving conferences on this subject to horticultural societies. Visitors are always welcome in the blooming season, but by appointment. You can contact me first, to be sure I can give you time to enjoy your visit. Also, the cultivated plants are available at the nursery and an open weekend is dedicated to daylilies every last weekend of June. My email address is guenole@hemerocalle.fr. You can also view my seedlings on the Facebook: www.facebook.com/HemeroPointe, as well as my introductions, on my website [Hémérocalle de la Pointe](#).



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