

I'm very pleased to offer American Conifer Society members our inventory for the 2017 Seed Exchange.

This year, I made my trip to Oregon, as I like to do, and made stops at Iseli Nursery, The Oregon Garden, Conifer Kingdom, and Stanley and Sons Nursery. Peter Gregg at Iseli was a great help again and spent time helping me collect cones instead of me just wandering around in a daze admiring all the specimens! I was also able to connect with Doug Wilson at The Oregon Garden and, as usual, had a good time wandering through the conifer garden looking for cones with him. After collecting at The Garden, Doug and I went over to Conifer Kingdom and met with Sam Pratt and collected some cones there. Unfortunately, I was not able to get any viable seed from those cones. In between Iseli and The Garden, I made a stop at Stanley and Sons and thanks to Doug, finally met Larry Stanlety. Larry and I went through his arboretum and nursery finding cones on several unique trees and I am looking forward to another trip this fall. Ethan Johnson of the Holden Arboretum sent in a couple donations again, along with Mystie Bollaert of Carlsbad, CA. The list this year is quite extensive but there are some 'very limited' and 'limited' amounts on a lot of the seeds, on these items there will not be many packets available and the number of seeds per packet will be lower in an effort to share with more members.

Please be sure to mark your first selections with a circled number of packets you would like and your ALTERNATE choices by markingthe number of packets and a checkmark ✓.

WITHOUT ALTERNATE SELECTIONS I WILL USE MY BEST JUDGMENT FOR SUBSTITUTES.

For this year, the price is still only \$1 per packet with a \$5 minimum. Do not send cash; make checks payable to American Conifer Society. If you know someone that requires a printed copy of the list, please ask them to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to me and I will get them a list.

Please remember that seed donated is open pollinated. Orders are filled in the order that they are received.

If you are interested in donating seed or cones, please refer to the Seed Exchange page of the website for more details.

For information on how I stratify and germinate seed, send me an email at TreeGuy45@comcast.net

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