

RESULTS OF: Nasturtium Trial Evaluation 2014 Number of Trial Results Submitted: 20	Empress of India	Moonlight	Peach Melba	King Theodore
Averages of bloom 1= best, 4= least	2.67	1.1	1.9	2.8
Average of rebound after deadheading 1= excellent; 2= average; 3=poor	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.6
Flavor of edible flowers 1= best, 4 = least	2.5	2	1.4	2.25
Diseases 1=none; 2=some; 3=heavy	1	1	1	1
Insects 1=none; 2=some; 3=heavy infestation	1	1.1	1	1
Would you plant this variety again?	16 yes 4 no	19 yes 1 no	20 yes	18 yes 2 no
Rank (average) 1=best, 4=least	3	1	1	4

Summary:

Slow start for many gardeners due to cold, wet weather conditions. Deer and rabbits also caused problems for some gardeners. Most gardeners did not deadhead and still had acceptable rebloom until frost. Few gardeners ate the flowers.

Empress of India: Leaves smaller and dark green. Flowers dark red orange with yellow center.

Moonlight: One report of flea beetles. Moonlight reported to have most blooms and a sprawling habit that would be good in hanging baskets. Flowers pale, butter yellow.

Peach Melba: Flowers held above foliage more than other varieties. Flowers peachy, yellow with orange/red center.

King Theodore: Larger dark green leaves. Flowers red, red orange.