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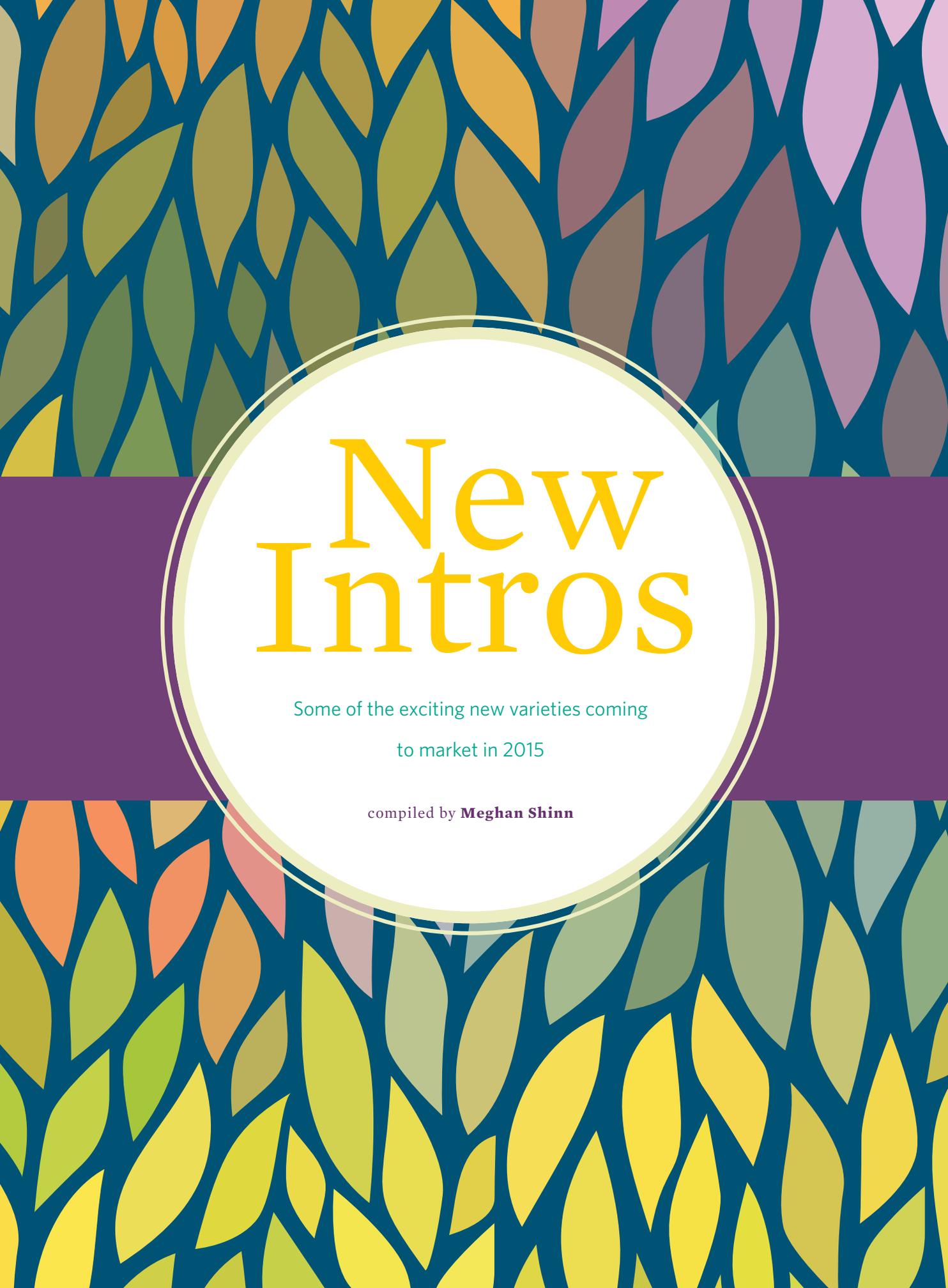
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New Intros

Some of the exciting new varieties coming
to market in 2015

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Clockwise from above: 'Tufts' agave; Guinevere dwarf crabapple; Pacific Brilliance pin oak showing fall color; Weeping Extraordinaire flowering cherry.

RANCHO TISSUE TECHNOLOGIES

'TUFTS' AGAVE

Agave albopilosa 'Tufts'. New from Rancho Tissue Technologies is an extremely rare and striking agave, or century plant, that they're now able to propagate by tissue culture. 'Tufts' grows 12 inches tall and 20 inches wide. It features narrow, green, upturned leaves that develop unique little white tufts of hair on the tips. Full to part sun, low water. USDA Zones 8–11.

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GUINEVERE DWARF CRABAPPLE

Malus 'Guinzam'. A genetically dwarf crabapple, Guinevere produces a profusion of single

mauve and white fragrant flowers in spring, showing both colors at the same time. Its dark green foliage has a frosted wine cast that turns to shades of orange in the fall, alongside sparse fruit. This petite tree reaches 6 to 8 feet in height and 12 to 15 feet in spread, with a rounded shape reminiscent of a Japanese maple. Full sun, moderate water. Zones 4–8.

WEeping EXTRAORDINAIRE DOUBLE FLOWERING CHERRY

Prunus ×'Extrazam'. This tree puts on a spectacular display of large, double, light pink flowers in early spring. Its foliage emerges a copper before turning dark green. In the fall, these leaves

turn burgundy and hold on longer than those of other flowering cherries. Matures to 15 or 20 feet tall and wide. Full sun, moderate water. Zones 5–8.

PACIFIC BRILLIANCE PIN OAK

Quercus palustris 'PWJR08'.

Unlike species pin oaks, Pacific Brilliance stands upright with no pendulous branches, so you won't get hit by limbs while mowing under it! It also has smaller, fewer acorns. Its lustrous green foliage turns orange and red in autumn. Give it room for its ultimate height of 45 to 50 feet and width of 20 to 25 feet. Full sun, moderate water. Zones 4–8.