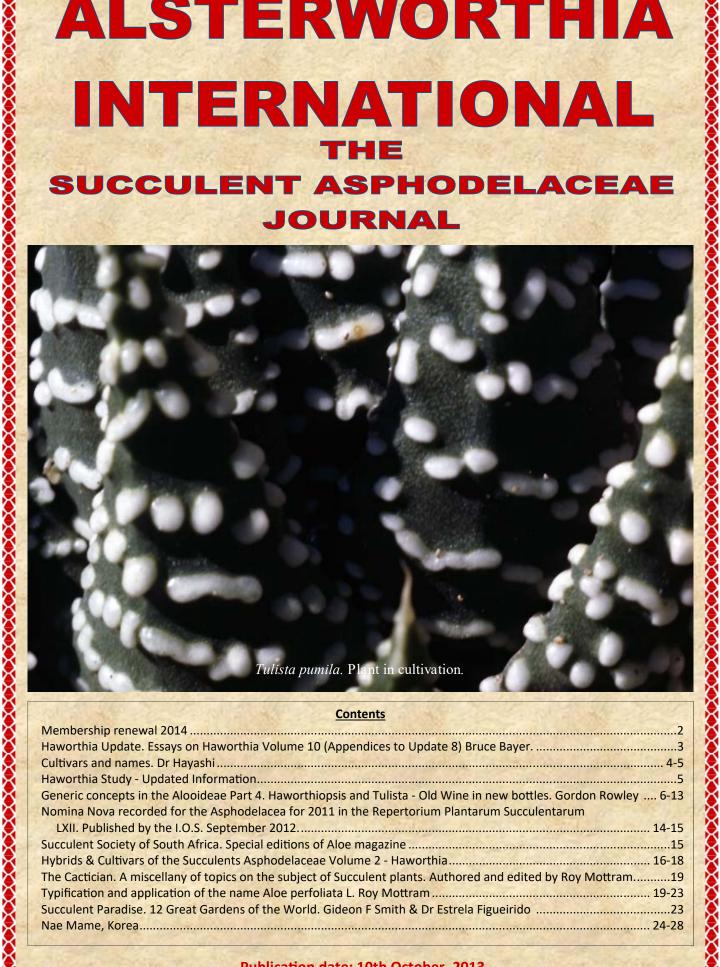
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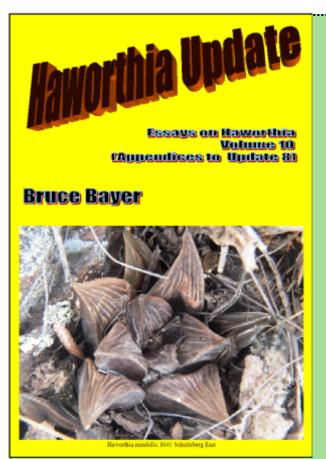
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#### Cultivars and Names

Dr. M. Hayashi

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All the Haworthia cultivar names published in Japan since 1905 to date are published in the Home page of the Haworthia Society of Japan (in the Cultivar page). < http://www.haworthia.net >. Though old catalogues of some closed nurseries could not be located, the list may contain almost all cultivar names in Japan.

The list, however, is not yet complete. Many items are under investigation. The list will be corrected and supplemented frequently based on new publications or newly located old information.

Many people including nurserymen and experienced amateurs often misunderstand the term "cultivar". A cultivar should have "particular, distinct, uniform and stable character(s)" (International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plants (ICNCP) 2009: Art 2.3), and should be published with a description (Art 27.1) that indicate one or more recognizable or distinguishable characters from other cultivars or Groups at that time (Art 27.2).

If it is difficult to describe a cultivar's distinguishing differences from others, it is not a cultivar under the ICNCP. A photo cannot substitute for a description, though it is very helpful to understand the cultivar and its characters.

Many "cultivars", especially in *H. truncata* and *H. maughanii* resemble each other and it is difficult to indicate their differences. These cannot be named cultivars under the ICNCP.

Most clones of 'Dragon' (H. maughanii) seedlings have nice white markings on the window, but they resemble very much each other. In such a case, each single clone cannot be a cultivar, but whole seedling set can be a Cultivar Group (for example: Drako Group with necessary description (definition). Art. 3.1 of the ICNCP "The formal category which may comprise cultivars, individual plants or combination thereof on the basis of defined character-based similarity is the Group." 'Dragon' seedlings produced by different persons can be called by the same group name, if they have the same (similar) characters described previously. If a 'Dragon' seedling set has different characters from Drako Gp (i.e. by characters produced by different combination of parents), they should be given a different Group name.

As for "Tsukahara seedlings", they have very variable distinctions and cannot be given a Cultivar Group name.

Some people emphasize the difference of origin (parents, breeder or breeding place etc.) to separate



Haworthia 'Daikoku'. Window irregular edges. Virus infected form. L = 10 cm, W = 3.5 cm, Height 1.3 cm.



Haworthia 'Fugaku'. Windows smooth edges. Healthy form. L. 9.5 cm, W. 3.5 cm, H. 1.3 cm.



Haworthia 'Onimusha' from U.S.A.

Plant has curvy leaves with scars, often split.

Virus infected? Diameter = 9 cm.



Haworthia 'Onimusha' tissue cultured. Grows bigger, more robust and never splits. Healthy form. Diameter = 11 cm.

similar cultivars, but this cannot distinguish a cultivar. (Art 2.20). A cultivar depends on the differences in the cultivar characters. 'Daikoku' (Fig. I) and 'Fugaku' (Fig. 2) look very similar, but the former always has irregular, scar-like dents on the window, while there are no such dents in the latter. These features distinguish the cultivars. The former may be a virus infected form.

Original plants of 'Onimusha' (Fig. 3) often produces curvy leaves with scar-like lines and the plants often splits. All the plants propagated by leaf cutting from the original have same nature.

Tissue cultured plants of 'Onimusha' (Fig. 4) grow very healthy without any curvy leaves or splitting. It is bigger and more robust with wider leaves than the original. These differences are stable and keep well when they are cultured in the same conditions.

This phenomenon strongly indicates that the former (original and its leaf cuttings) is infected by virus. We should pay more attention for virus infection. Some nursery sells plants with a certain Group name including those with no particular distinction of the Group. Such plants should not be sold with same Group name, though they are produced from the same parents. Group name should be only applied to those having standard distinction of the Group.

Some other nurseries sell plants with a new name, though it already has a published, known name. The new name is often similar to a well-known, famous one.

Such sales are obviously unfair, prohibited by law, though they declare that the new name is their original.

Most cultivar names in Japanese catalogues do not have the necessary descriptions and are invalid. Harry Mak indicated this and created many new names for them, but his new names are not used in Japan at all and it is clear that Japanese breeders of these cultivars do not accept his names. Such names are "to be rejected" (Art. 31.4). In these cases, we have to validate the original names to avoid confusion by adding the necessary descriptions.

Editor's Note.

Dr Hayashi highlights a problem which is world wide. Names are all too often used without knowledge of the International Code of Nomenclature for Cultivated Plant. There is no excuse for this as the ICNCP is available free of charge from http://www.actahort.org/chronica/pdf/sh\_10.pdf. Please do use it and make its availability know to your friends and particularly to nurseries in your area.

Publishing a correct cultivar or Group name and correcting an incorrect name avoids confusion and gains you respect. Help is always at hand. If you wish to publish in Japanese contact Dr M. Hayashi < info@haworthia.net >; if you wish to publish in English please contact me < hmays@freenetname.co.uk >. Help is free.

#### Haworthia Study - Updated Information.

Details of prices for Haworthia Study, the Japanese Society journal, were given on page 13 of the November 2012 Alsterworthia International journal. That information is still valid, but it is supplemented by the following.

The second Haworthia Study for 2012, number 28, is being replaced with a Special Issue on Japanese cultivars, which is much larger than a journal, so it will be charged for separately - details to be announced. The annual subscription paid for 2012 will now cover the two Haworthia Study numbered 27 & 29. Subscribers will already have received 27. 29 will be published sometime after July 2013. The next "annual" subscription will be for number 31, which will be the last for 2013 and number 32, which will be the first for 2014. Thus, the annual subscription, which was for two issues of Haworthia Study in one calendar year, is now for two issues, one of which will be published in the second half of one year and the other in the first half of the next year.

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## GENERIC CONCEPTS IN THE ALOOIDEAE PART 4

# HAWORTHIOPSIS AND TULISTA OLD WINE IN NEW BOTTLES GORDON ROWLEY

Tulista pumila

Alooideae, apart from being the only 9-letter word I can think of with 7 vowels and only 2 consonants, have provided a special interest for me for over 50 years. In many ways this subfamily of Asphodelaceae (or Xanthorrhoeaceae if you prefer) is a good subject for studying evolution, and few succulents enjoy so much favour with growers or inspire so vast a documentation: the study advancing electronically at an even faster rate. As Daru et alia (2013) point out, the subfamily is defined on chemical characters as well as cytological: a basic set of 4 long and 3 short chromosomes among the largest and easiest to study in all succulents.

Today it can be visualised as a tree-like diagram, a cladogram: the trunk represents common origin and the branches or twigs are clades (Fig. 4, page 9). The aim is to relate all plants on a basis of common origin by their shared DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid in case you were wondering). Every change in DNA means a branching of the tree: the older the change the farther back down

the trunk the clades diverge. When it comes to pinning categories and names on the twigs, the levels at which we recognise genera, subgenera, species and so on remains a matter of personal opinion: there is no absolute rule. But we have to bear in mind that all classification should serve the needs of retrieval and identification. The big snag, as efforts are made to improve the system, is that rearrangements may involve changes of name: an inevitable consequence of adopting the Linnaean concept of binomial names for all plants.

The wide acceptance of phylogenetic evidence from DNA today has supported some reshaping of genera within the Alooideae; not all that many considering that it is a group of over 700 species. The six genera recognised by Eggli (2001) become eight today with some re-shuffling and renaming (Rowley 2013). The results are best presented in the form of a key, bearing in mind that few keys are 100% accurate and that exceptions will be found on occasions.

#### KEY TO THE GENERA OF ALOOIDEAE Dichotomously branched shrub with all leaf rosettes fan-shaped; leaves linear, greyish, glaucous.......KUMARA DD Stemless or nearly so with concealed internodes; leaves mostly dark green, dappled......GASTERIA CC Leaves spiralled, or if distichous then not shrubby...... E Flowers red or yellow (rarely white), tubular with exserted anthers, ± actinomorphic, without spreading tepals (Check out A. aristata and A. rubriflora here, now referred to Tulista.)..............ALOE EE Flowers (Fig. 2) white or pallid greenish, small and less showy, zygomorphic or at least ± two-lipped with included stamens......F F Leaves in 5 spiralled series up the stems: flowers squat, radially symmetrical......TULISTA Inflorescences usually unbranched; flower tube narrowly conical, usually $\pm$ curved, with a hemispherical base......HAWORTHIOPSIS GG Inflorescences usually developing 1 or more branches; flower tube broadly conical, straight, with rounded hexagonal base \_\_\_\_\_\_TULISTA

#### **NEW LOOK GENERA**

**ALOE** 

*Aloe*, second largest of all genera of succulents, has been trimmed by the removal of three clades that jarred the pure vision of a monophyletic branch:

Aloidendron now covers the largest tree species: A. dichotomum, A. pillansii and four more; Aloiampelos includes scramblers and climbers such as A. ciliaris and five allies, and Kumara separates A. plicatilis, shrubby with forked branches and fan-like leaf displays.

In return, Chortolirion is now nested within Aloe alongside the grass aloes which it resembles.

Further changes involve the *Haworthia* group: compact leaf succulents so dear to the hearts of many collectors today. Whether or not they will be persuaded to rewrite any of their labels I cannot guess, but the plants will remain no less beautiful as "roses by any other name".

A.J.A. Uitewaal (1899-1965) was a Dutch enthusiast who collected and studied haworthias and strove to classify the species into workable groups. A modest, retiring man, he was ill-equipped to face the slings and arrows of taxonomic combat and left the field early, but not before he had provided us with a separation of the genus into three groups based on the inflorescence and shape of the flowers rather than on the leaves. These groups have stood the test of time and were re-examined by Bruce Bayer in 1972, who hinted that they might one day merit generic status. That has indeed now happened, to bring them into line with the remaining genera (Rowley 2013).

#### **HAWORTHIA**

This is now restricted to the Subgenus *Haworthia*: the great majority of species recognisable for their typically plump, pale green, partially translucent, veined leaves lacking dark colouring, tubercles or spiny tips. In the Daru survey 35 were sequenced.

#### **HAWORTHIOPSIS**

*Haworthia* Section Hexangularis becomes the Genus Haworthiopsis with 16 species characterised by firmer, darker-coloured leaves often rough, or finely tubercled:

H. granulata H. scabra H. attenuata H. bruynsii H. limifolia H. sordida H. coarctata H. longiana H. tessellata H. fasciata H. nigra H. venosa H. glauca H. reinwardtii H. viscosa H. woolleyi

#### **GASTERIA**

Gasteria has been spared any disruption in the present upheaval. The 18 species so far examined are all related to one another and belong to a single clade, closest to

In Alsterworthia International 13(2)26 (July, 2013) *Aloe viscosa* was accidently referred to two genera; *Haworthiopsis* and *Tulista*, invalidating the publication of both names. *Tulista viscosa* should be deleted.

The correct assignment is:

*Haworthiopsis viscosa* (L) n. comb. *Aloe viscosa* L. Sp. Plant. 1: 322, 1753.

Haworthiopsis.

#### **TULISTA**

I have searched in vain for clues as to the origin of this generic name, created in 1840 by the eccentric botanist Rafinesque and typified by "*T. margaritifera*" alias *Aloe pumila* of Linnaeus (Fig. 1).

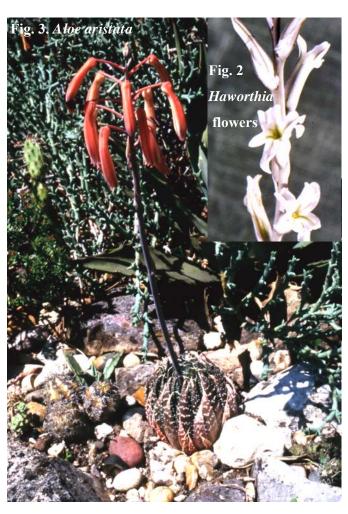
Circumscribed at the same level as the other genera, it brings together separate clades for *Astroloba*, *Haworthia* Sect. Robustipedunculares, *Poellnitzia* and, most surprisingly of all, *Aloe aristata* (Fig. 3.). Putting all these together into one genus of 14 species may seem

#### Fig. 1.

1000, TULISTA Raf. diff. Aloes, perig. tubul. 6gonis dentib. 6 ineq. vix labiatis fol. verrucis vel maculis albis ferens—another G. the flowers are racemose, the type is T. margaritifera Raf. Aloes do Auct. African. leaves which pearly warts, fl. small in a slender spicate raceme—a 2d sp. of this G. is Al. variegata of authors.

All these Aloes are very rare in Herbals being so difficult to dessicate—there are 2 others G. yet blended in Aloes,—My Papilista with clavate fl. type A. verrucosa—and my Succosaria with campanulate fl. type A. spicata &c.

odd to some, but the alternative would be to have four even smaller genera, two of them monotypic. We have many other examples of genera that are hard to delimit,



but closer observation can reveal new characters, such as the floral differences noted by Uitewaal among his haworthias. I have ventured a key to 13 confirmed species, of which two require validation for the names: *Tulista bullulata* (Jacq.) n.comb.

based upon *Aloe bullulata* Jacquin in Fragmenta Botanica P.72 t.109, 1800-1809.

Tulista X bicarinata (Haw.) n. comb.

based upon *Apicra bicarinata* Haworth in Supple -mentum Plantarum Succulentarum p.63, 1819. A wild hybrid of *T. corrugata* X *pumila*. (Not included in Key to Species.)

Aside from *T. aristata*, which is common, easy to grow and the hardiest of all Alooideae outdoors in the London area, I have found the other Tulista species less easy to keep in good condition than the softer greener-

#### KEY TO THE SPECIES OF TULISTA.

A Flowers red to orangeB
B Stem to 25 cm tall; leaves rigid, entire, sharp pointed; tepals incurved at the apex
BB Stemless with leaves soft with a flexible white tip and lateral fine prickles towards the apex;
tepals slightly incurved and expanding towards the apex
AA Flowers not brightly coloured, white or pallid
C Flowers actinomorphic; leaves spiralled up the elongated stems in 5 series
D Leaves with conspicuous white tubercles
E Leaves 14-25 mm long, spreading, with an oblique keel
EE Leaves 23-40 mm long, ascending, with a central keel
DD Leaves without tubercles, smooth or at most rugulose
F Leaves grey glaucous with ridged veins below; outer tepals with swollen wavy bulges
FF Leaves light to dark green, at most glaucescent, no prominent veins; tepals not so
G Leaves 20-47 mm long, with margins and keel often white-edged; inflorescence strict,
sparingly branched
GG Leaves 9-24 mm long, uniformly coloured; inflorescence lax, rarely or not branched
H Leaves ascending to erect, often white spotted; tepals yellow tipped,
with rough corners
HH Leaves spreading to ascending, rarely spotted; tepals cream tipped, smooth
CC Flowers ± two-lipped; stems undeveloped, or with leaves spiralled in 3 series
I Leaves smooth, without tubercles
J Leaves in 3 series up short columns
JJ Stemless with leaves spiralled, not in 3 series
II Leaves rough with small or large white tubercles
K Leaves studded with large white tubercles
KK Leaves rough with tiny tuberclesL
L Leaves shining yellowish green T. kingiana
LL Leaves dull, brownish green

leaved haworthias, and they also do not root and sprout so readily from leaf cuttings as most haworthias do.

With so much interest in Alooideae today and intensive exploration of the habitats, it would be helpful to have more information on the insect and other pollinators of each species in the wild. Subtle differences in flower shape and nectar presentation must surely be related to accommodating one pollinator and excluding another: tube length, nectar pouches, rigid support for weightier visitors, and so on. Is anyone tempted to start a survey?

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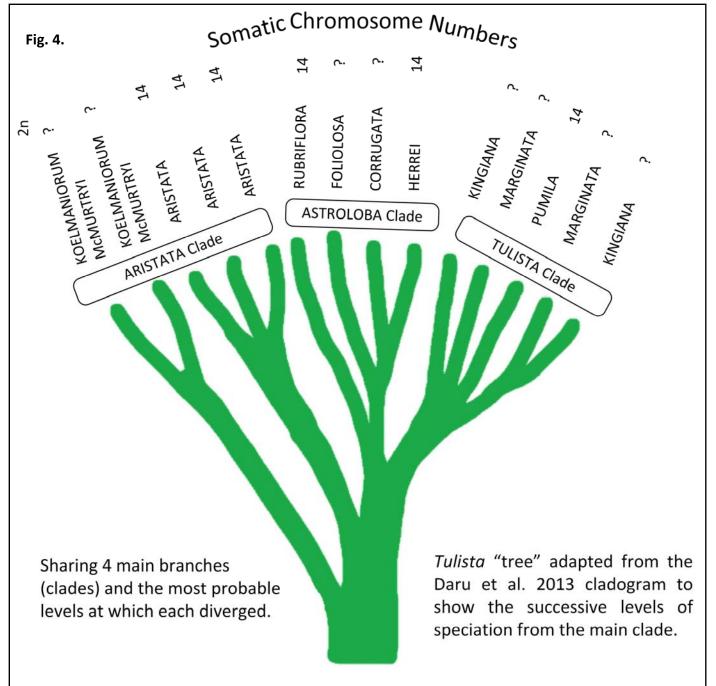
- Fig. 1 Rafinesque's idiosyncratic presentation of genera in his Autikon Botanikon of 1840, page 157.
- Fig. 2 *Haworthia* flowers: not showily coloured, small and tailor-made for accommodating bee pollinators.
- Fig. 3 *Tulista* (*Aloe*) *aristata* flowering happily outdoors in a London suburb.
- Fig. 4. Tulista "tree".

Figs. 5-12 Some species of *Tulista* (alias *Aloe/Apicra/Astroloba/Haworthia*) figured in Curtis Botanical

Magazine.

- Fig. 13 A-D. *T. foliolosa*. E-I. *T. spiralis*. J. *T. X bicarinata*.
- Fig. 14 A-C. *T. pumila*, D-H. *T. marginata*, I-N. *T. aristata*, 0-V. *H. viscosa*, W-X. *T. rubriflora*. Illustrations from Salm-Dyck and Berger.

Front cover. *Tulista pumila*. Plant in cultivation showing the tubercles in close-up.



So far as I am aware all the species are diploid with 2n=14

and polyploidy has played no part in their evolution.







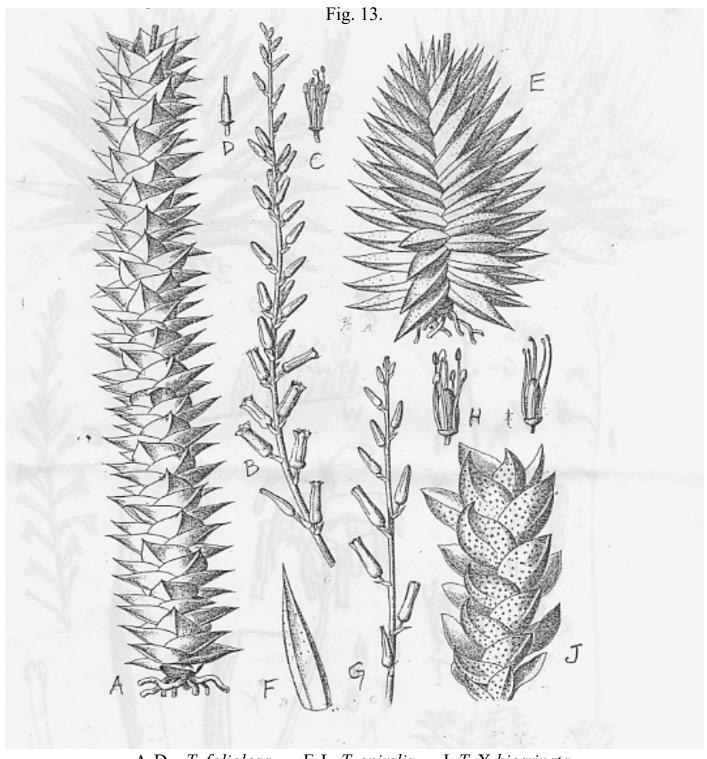












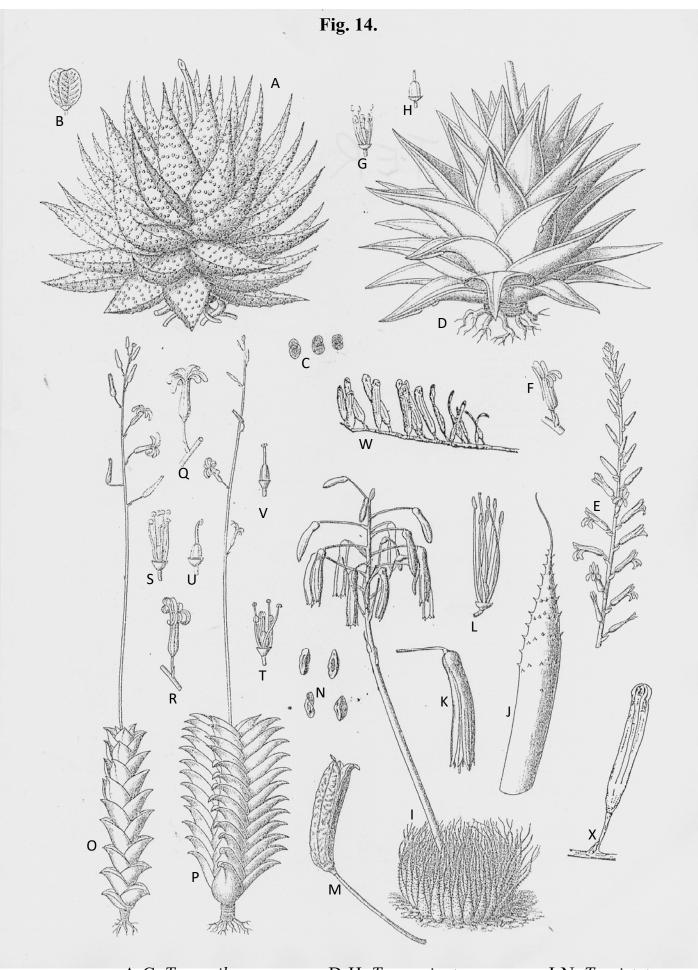
A-D. T. foliolosa. E-I. T. spiralis. J. T. X bicarinata.

Tulistas showing leaves imbricate (*T. foliolosa* A-D) or in 5 straight or in spiralling series (*T. spiralis* E-I), but not in 3 series as in *Haworthiopsis*. Fig. J. *T.* X bicarinata is a natural hybrid of *T. corrugata* x *T. pumila*.

Salm-Dyck and Berger provided the illustrations.

#### Credits.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation for the scans and other work done by Pete Arthurs and Harry Mays in the preparation of this article.



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- 6. To complete the saga, members might like to know that Daru et al will be publishing their own updated classification for the Asphodelaceae based on their DNA studies. The earliest possible date of publication would appear to be the end of 2013, but it could be later.

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117, 120, fig. 4 (p. 119), 2011. Typus: Sebsebe & al. 6655 (ETH, K).

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**Haworthia splendens** var. **masai** M. Hayashi, Haworthia Study 24: 3, ills., 2011. Typus: *Marx* 447 (TI). [Dated Dec. 2010, received at ZSS Feb. 2011.]

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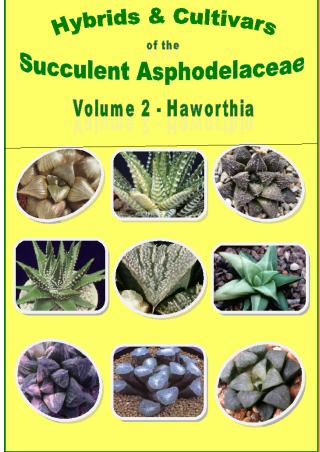
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#### Haworthia 'Bird's Tail' Francois Hoes.

**Description.** Alsterworthia International 9(1)4.

**Parentage.** Haworthia cooperi v. venusta x Haworthia truncata 'Lime Green'.

**Comments.** Leaves slightly twisted, lanceolate, ascending, each ending in a sharp point, margins and keels with white teeth; colour green with lengthwise windows of white stripes of varying length and width. It remains green throughout the year. Rosette about 5 cm diameter. Non-offsetting. It dislikes too much water.

Propagation. Leaf cuttings.









Haworthia 'Black Knight' Gerhard Marx.

**Description.** Alsterworthia International 9(3)5.

**Parentage.** H. marumiana var. dimorpha x H. splendens.

**Description.** Rosette compact. Leaves dark blackish-green, pimples in more or less longitudinal rows in the short retuse leaf-ends dark blackish-green in the centre surrounded by a ring of light green, the leaf ends terminate in a spine. Marginal spines short. Diameter of plant illustrated is 7.5cm.

**Propagation.** Offsets and leaf cuttings.

#### Haworthia 'Black Mask' Tsuruoka

Description. Haworthia Study 14:15.

**Parentage.** Haworthia springbokvlakensis x?

**Comments.** Rosette 2cm diameter. Leaves light green at the base, blackish brown above. Large, silver windows obscure the retuse leaf ends except for the blackish-brown, longitudinal lines.

Propagation. Offsets and leaf cuttings.

#### Haworthia 'Pearl of Dew' J.A. Audissou

Description. Alsterworthia International 6(3)22.

**Parentage.** Haworthia retusa fa. geraldii x H. cymbiformis var. reddii JDV 92-43.

**Comments** Rosette freely offsetting. Leaves light green with dark-green windows in the form of interrupted, longitudinal lines of variable width and length on the retuse leaf ends. Each leaf terminates in a prominent recurved spine. The leaves are rounded and highly turgid. The formation of the dark green windows suggested the cultivar name.

**Propagation.** Offsets.



Haworthia picta (Dairi Group) 'Akagitsune'

**Description.** Haworthia Study 11:16 as *H. picta* 'Red Fox', Haworthia Study 20:8 *Haworthia picta* 'Akagitsune'. Akagitsune = Red Fox. The Japanese name has priority and it therefore the established name.

**Parentage.** Bred in Japan by Mr. Tsukahara *Haworthia* (*picta* v.) *tricolour* x ? If a hybrid *picta* will have to be removed from the name.

**Comments.** Rosette picta-like. Leaves dark green, retuse ends studded with large, white flecks grouped into longitudinal rows separated by prominent dark green stripes. The retuse ends are diffused reddish.





Haworthia picta 'Chocolate' Nishi

**Description.** Haworthia Study 3:14 & 20:6. Dr Hayashi classifies the species as *H. tricolor* hence *H. tricolor* 'Chocolate'.

Parentage. A clone selected from imported plants..

**Comments.** The basic colour of this clone is chocolate. The retuse leaf ends are noted for the thick lines, variable in number, separated by dense, white tubercles.

Propagation. Offsets and leaf cuttings.



Haworthia picta 'Daisekkei' Kawahigashi

**Description.** Haworthia Study 6:45 referred to as *Haworthia picta* 'Giant Form', HS 20:6 *H. picta* 'Daisekkei' Kawahigashi.

**Parentage.** A selection of the species.

**Comments.** An extra large form with dark brownish-green leaves. Retuse leaf ends are covered with dense white spots separated by narrow, dark-green lines. Bags of white spots droop over the lower edge of the retuse end. Daisekkei = Large snow valley.

**Propagation.** Offsets and leaf cuttings.

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As Aloe perfoliata is no doubt of interest to many

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#### Typification and application of the name A loe perfoliata L.

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#### Summary

Aloe perfoliata L. was a cornerstone of the treatment of Linnaeus's genus Aloe, including all the medical, spotted, and other stemmed aloes. In spite of this importance and priority it has not previously been applied to any known species until the year 2000.

A full history of the name and its application is presented here.

Aloe perfoliata L. is confirmed as the type species of the genus Aloe L., and is considered to be the correct name for plants hitherto known as Aloe microstigma Salm-Dyck.

Aloe picta Thunb. is lectotypified here with the same type as Aloe perfoliata L. (p. 11), making it an obligate synonym.

Linnaeus (17<del>53: 319-321) consi</del>dered the perfoliate aloes of the genus *Aloe* to comprise a single species, *Aloe perfoliata*, with 16 varieties. Two of these were given varietal names, namely *A. perfoliata* var. *humilis* and *A. perfoliata* var. *vera*, while 14 others remained unnamed.

In his usual way, Linnaeus did not indicate which of the 16 varieties were to be considered typical, so it fell to later authors to make such a selection. The long history and lack of reliably identified specimens, together with illustrations of variable quality has been a problem for authors, and it was not until Glen & Hardy (2000: 100-101) made their selection that the name was returned to use. Under the rules of nomenclature, the name must of course be used for something, unless all of its 16 individual varieties, recognised today as species, are conserved over it, a wholly impractical solution. Also rejecting the name would have similar

consequences for any species or variety that has the same type as *A. perfoliata* L. That would include *A. saponaria* (Aiton) Haw. (Art. 56.1), a name consistently misapplied to *A. maculata* All.

Historically, the earliest aloes to reach Europe were gathered towards the end of the 17th C. by a number of collectors, and as far as aloes are concerned perhaps the most important of these was Hendrik Bernard Oldenland, superintendent of the garden of the East India Company in Cape Town. He had botanical training and preserved some specimens, but he is important in the present context having supplied a number of *Aloe* species in the form of seeds to Jan and Caspar Commelijn at Leiden in the Netherlands. These were raised in the Leiden garden and illustrated at various stages of maturity in their various illustrated catalogues of the garden. Linnaeus used these illustrations extensively in the protologue of *Aloe perfoliata* to characterise his varieties.

Oldenland accompanied Isaac Schrijver in an expedition of 4 Jan - 10 Apr 1689 (Strelitzia 26: 320). The route for this expedition is shown by Reynolds (1950: 31), and it penetrated the Western Cape to just beyond the present-day border with the Eastern Cape. Oldenland gave his gatherings phrase names, and these were adopted with little or no change by the Commelijns. Lists of names of plants collected by Oldenland were published by Valentyn in 1726 and by Burman in 1736.

Reynolds (1950: 87, 89) drew attention to a specimen in the herbarium of the Linnean Society of London, LINN 442.1, making the assumption that it was type material, but without formally designating it as the lectotype of *Aloe perfoliata*. Other original material (illustrations) were cited in the Linnaean protologue, so

a definite designation is required. Moreover, since most specimens in the Linnaean herbarium were preserved after the first period 1727-1753, without evidence of a date of preservation, LINN 442.1 cannot be accepted as eligible original material. Indeed, it does not appear to be any of the elements accepted by Linnaeus as belonging to *A. perfoliata*. It is an inflorescence that most closely resembles that of *A loe variegata*.

The German-born English botanist Dillenius was said to have been Linnaeus's favourite correspondent. Dillenius's great folio work on the plants of Sherrard's garden at Eltham was considered by Linnaeus to be a masterpiece of botany, so it is hardly surprising that the Dillenius illustrations were used as the basis for three of the taxa belonging to his *Aloe perfoliata*. These three illustrations from Hortus elthamensis (1732), together with their currently accepted names are:

1: 17-18, t.14, fig.15. *Aloe maculata* All.

1: 18-19, t.15, fig.16. *A loe perfoliata* L. [= *A loe microstigma* Salm-Dyck]

1: 21-22, t.17, fig.19. *A loe mitriformis* Mill.

The earliest type designation for *Aloe perfoliata* was made by Scopoli (1783: 127-128), citing Dillenius's plate 15 (Fig. 1). The second edition (1786: 137-138) also carries the same information. Although Scopoli listed only this species for the genus *Aloe*, that did not constitute a type designation for the genus because Scopoli was only listing species for which there was a known medical application. The Glen & Hardy (2000: 100-101) choice of plate 17 from the same Dillenius work is thus superfluous. The only reason given by Glen & Hardy for their choice was that it agreed with the specific epithet in having prominently perfoliate leaves, but this is common to all aloes to varying degrees, es-





Fig. 1. The lectotype of *Aloe perfoliata* L. from the standard edition of Dillenius, *Hortus elthamensis* 1: 18-19, t.15, fig.16, representing what has hitherto been called *Aloe microstigma* Salm-Dyck.

Fig. 2. A later illustration of *Aloe perfoliata*. This was Ker Gawler's concept of *Aloe picta*, from *Curtis's Botanical Magazine* **32**: t.1323. 1810, based on a plant that had been supplied to Haworth from Sherard's Eltham garden. It agrees well with the type illustration of *A. perfoliata*.

pecially to those known to Linnaeus.

The earliest type designation for the genus itself was that of Britton & Millspaugh (1920: 69), who chose *Aloe perfoliata* L. as stated by Index nominum genericorum.

There has been historical confusion between *Aloe* perfoliata L., known as the Great Soap Aloe to early 19th C botanists, and the other common spotted-leaved *Aloe*, *Aloe* maculata All., called the Common Soap *Aloe*, although they are readily distinguished. In *A. maculata* the spotting tends to be larger and often in transverse bands, while the spots of *A. perfoliata* may be smaller and randomly scattered over both leaf surfaces. The inflorescences are very different, being a simple truncated corymb in *A. maculata* and an elongated conical raceme in *A. perfoliata*. The flowers of *A.* 

perfoliata are mainly bicoloured with red buds turning yellow or green at anthesis, but in some places the buds and open flowers may be uniformly red or yellow. The typical form has uniformly dark red flowers with greenish yellow tipped petals.

In Aloe perfoliata the leaves are generally spotted equally on both sides. On the other hand, Aloe maculata is often described as "usually unspotted" on the lower side. However, they are equally spotted on both sides in Dillenius's plate, and it seems to be relatively common for this to be the case.

Aloe perfoliata L., in the sense used here, is the same as, and the correct name for, A. microstigma Salm-Dyck (Fig. 3).

#### **Description**

Translated from Latin, from Dillenius, J. J. (1732)Aloe africana maculata spinosa minor Dill., Hortus elthamensis 1: 18-19. The description consists mainly of the distinguishing characters from the species described in the plate, which previous depicted Aloe maculata All. "This species is very similar to the last [A. maculata], inasmuch that they are not easily distinguished unless closely examined. However, has less stem development, any, certainly a shorter stem (I do not recollect it being more than a palm to a span of the fingers [3-9 inches, 8-24cm]) but no thicker, the leaves are certainly of equal length, but less thick & less strong, moderately broad at their base, narrower at the tip & with a long mucro, more concave, marked with fewer and less whitish spots, more on the lower side towards a thorny tip, the other thorns on the other hand are never harmful.

It is further differentiated in the flowers & peduncle, such as not being so short & entirely green, but the flowers are markedly shorter, thicker & more spreading, pale red in colour but of a lively hue, elegantly spread out in a thyrse [cylindric, conical form] more tenuously attached by pedicels with a tongue-like scale at their base.

First opens its spritely flowers at one foot [in height],



Fig. 3. The holotype illustration of *A loe microstigma* Salm-Dyck, from Salm-Dyck, *Monographia generum aloes et mesembrianthemi*: Fasc.6: t.11 [§26, fig.4]. 1854.

the spike fully developing to 2 feet, [peduncle] terete, compressed towards the base & never angular, of a glaucous pale green, the same colour as the leaves which are interspersed with white spots. The leaves are, however, disposed in a rosette, the smallest within, porrect at an oblique angle & remaining concave throughout, the middle [leaves] are more flattened & less porrect & more concave towards their extremity, the lowermost [leaves] lie in a horizontal plane, shortest in the middle, almost never concave towards the tip, below which is the bare stem (I have even sometimes observed it absent), like the previous species they are reflexing, although less so.

The outer floral segments are divided into three up to their middle at first, opening thereafter almost to the base, three inner segments are also at first divided continuously to the base, yet despite that they are fused to the back of the outer petals & create a monopetalous flower. Furthermore the three inner petals are sometimes broader than the outer & paler: both have green median lines towards their extremities. There are six stamens arising from near the oblong ovary at the base of the flower, opening successively in threes, bearing oblong sticky apices [anthers], slightly exserted beyond the floral tube.

It flowers well, like the preceding species, primarily in the months of September & October with us. Our figure is drawn to about half the scale of the actual plant, but the flowers depicted in the margin on either side are represented at natural size.

Aloë Africana caulescens, foliis spinosis, maculis ab utraque parte albicantibus obscurioribus, magis glaucis, quam praecedens Boerh. Ind. Alt. Part II p.130. n.20. is by chance the same as illustrated here, said to be an inhabitant of plains."

#### Taxonomic summaries for Aloe L., Aloe perfoliata L. & A. maculata All.

Aloe L., Species plantarum 1: 319. (1 May) 1753; Genera plantarum, ed.5: 150. (Aug) 1754, but under the rules considered as simultaneously published with Sp. Pl. on 1 May 1753. Name adopted from Tournefort (1700 2: t.171, cited erroneously by Linnaeus as t.170). Tournefort's plate is mixed, mainly comprising the flowers and fruits of Agave, but there is one flower of Aloe in the strict sense. Tournefort's checklist of Aloe species has only two elements of Aloe s.s., namely those whose phrase names represent Aloe vera and A. succotrina.

*T*: Only the Tournefort plate was cited in the protologue, but that is mixed and its elements are unidentifiable.

LT: Aloe perfoliata L. Designated by Britton, N. L., & Millspaugh, C. F., The Bahama flora: 69. (26 Jun) 1920.

#### Homotypic infrageneric synonyms

Based on the same type as the genus *A loe* L., the names listed below are all invalid (Art. 22.1), because they should bear the name of the genus unchanged in their appropriate rank. Salm-Dyck's names were inconsistently applied in that he circumscribed his names with different lists of included species in each of his revisions at various times.

*Grandiflorae* Haw. (pro sect. *Aloe* L.), New arrangement of the genus *Aloe*, *Trans. Linn. Soc. London* 7: 1, 14. 1804 nom. inval. (Art. 22.1). Includes the type of *Aloe* L. sect. *Aloe*. This was described on p.14, and given its rank on p.1.

*Maculatae* Haw. (pro unranked division of *Aloe* L.), *Synopsis plantarum succulentarum*: 81. 1812 nom. inval. (Art. 22.1). Includes the type of *Aloe* L.

**Pictae** Salm-Dyck (pro unranked division of *Aloe L.*), *Index* plantarum succulentarum in horto dyckensi cultarum anno 1829: 6, 1829 nom. nud.

*Pictae* Salm-Dyck (pro § 23 of *Aloe L.*) *Index plantarum succulentarum in horto dyckensi cultarum anno 1843*: 11. 1843 nom. nud.

Eualoe Baker (pro subgen. Aloe L.), A synopsis of Aloineae and Yuccoideae. J. Linn. Soc. 18(108): 153. (Oct 15). 1880 nom. inval. (Art. 21.3, 22.1). Epithet incorrectly formed and includes the type of Aloe L. subgen. Aloe.

*Maculatae* Baker (pro unranked group of *Aloe* L.), *Liliaceae* VIII. *Aloe*, Linn, in Thistleton-Dyer, W. T., *Flora capensis* **6** (2): 303. 1896 nom. inval. (Art. 22.1). Includes the type of *Aloe* L.

Eualoe A.Berger (pro sect. Aloe L.), Über die systematische Gliederung der Gattung Aloë. In: Engler, A., Botanische Jahrbücher für Systematik, Pflanzengeschichte und Pflanzengeographie 36: 46. 1905 nom. inval. (Art. 22.1). Epithet incorrectly formed and includes the type of Aloe L. subgen. Aloe.

Fruticosae A.Berger (pro subsect. Aloe L.), Über die systematische Gliederung der Gattung Aloë. In: Engler, A., Botanische Jahrbücher für Systematik, Pflanzengeschichte und Pflanzengeographie 36: 47, 54-55, 65-66. 1905 nom. inval. (Art. 22.1). Includes the type of Aloe L. subsect. Aloe. Magnae A.Berger (pro subsect. Aloe L.), Liliaceae-Asphodelaceae-Aloineae. In: Engler, A., Das Pflanzenreich. Regni vegetabilis conspectus. Im Auftrage der Königl. preuss. Akademie der Wissenschaften 4(33): 161. (8 May) 1908 nom.

inval. (Art. 22.1). Includes the type of *Aloe* L. subsect. *Aloe*.

#### perfoliata

Aloe africana; caulescens; foliis spinosis; maculis ab utrâque parte albicantibus, obscurioribus; magis glaucis quam praecedens Boerh., *Index alter plantarum quae in horto academico Lugduno-Batavo aluntur conscriptus ab Hermanno Boerhaave* **2**: 130, nr.20. 1720. *T*: Africa, on plains. Donated by D. Beaumont. [cited in the synonymy of the following by Dillenius 1732: 19]

Aloe africana maculata spinosa minor Dill., *Hortus elthamensis* 1: 18-19, t.15, fig.16. 1732.

Aloe foliis caulinis dentatis amplexicaulibus vaginantibus L. var. η, *Hortus Cliffortianus*: 131. 1737.

Aloe foliis caulinis dentatis amplexicaulibus vaginantibus L. var. γ, *Hortus Upsaliensis*: 86. 1748.

<u>Aloe perfoliata</u> L. [var.  $\mu$ ], Species plantarum 1: 319-320. (1 May) 1753.

T: Africa, rocky places on plains.

LT (design. Scopoli 1783: 128): Aloe africana maculata spinosa minor Dillenius, Hortus elthamensis 1: t.15, fig.16. 1732.

#### Homotypic synonyms:

Aloe perfoliata var. saponaria Aiton, Hortus Kewensis 1: 467.

Aloe picta Thunb., Dissertatio botanico-medica de Aloë, Gradu Doctoris Publico Examini Subjicit Andreas Hesselius, Diss. Acad. Upsaliae 2: 6. (Jun) 1785. T: None. There are no specimens of Aloe picta in the Thunberg herbarium. The taxon was mixed, based on A. perfoliata var.  $\theta$ ,  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$ , & v, i.e. all the spotted aloes. The type of A. perfoliata Thunb. non L. was explicitly excluded and that name misapplied to A. succotrina All. and its allies. The actual type of A. perfoliata L. itself was, however, explicitly included, making A. picta Thunb. a synonym. LT(design. here): Dillenius, Hortus elthamensis 1: t.15, fig.16. 1732.

Aloe picta var. minor Willd., Caroli a Linné Species Plantarum, ed.5 **2**(1): 187. 1799.

Aloe saponaria (Aiton) Haw., New arrangement of the genus Aloe, Trans. Linn. Soc. London 7: 17. 1804.

#### Heterotypic synonyms:

Aloe microstigma Salm-Dyck, Monographia generum aloes et mesembrianthemi:

Fasc.6: t.11 [§26, fig.4]. 1854 (Jun). *T*: icon in loc. cit. (Fig. 5) *Aloe obscura* Mill., Gardeners Dictionary ed.8: Aloe nr.6. 1768. *T*: None.

Aloe umbellata DC., Plantarum historia succulentarum 1: t.98, 1802. T: icon in loc. cit.

#### maculata

Aloe africana caulescens, foliis spinosis maculis ab utraque parte albicantibus notatis J.Commelijn, *Horti medici Amstelodamensis rariorum tam orientalis quam occidentalis Indiae aliarumque peregrinarum plantarum* **2**: 9, t.5. 1701.

Aloe africana, caulescens, foliis caulem amplectentibus, floribus aurentiacis. Dom. Gul Sherrard, in Bradley, *Historia plantarum succulentarum* Dec.4: 11, t.33. 1727.

Aloe africana maculata spinosa major Dillenius, *Hortus elthamensis* 1: 17-18, t.14, fig.15. 1732. (Fig. 6)

Aloe perfoliata L. var.  $\lambda$ , Species plantarum 1: 319-320. (1 May) 1753.

<u>Aloe maculata</u> All., Auctarium ad synopsin methodicam stirpium horti regii Taurinensis: 13. 1773. T: Africa.

LT (design. Guglielmone & al 2009: 178): Aloe africana caulescens, foliis spinosis maculis ab utraque parte albicantibus notatis J.Commelijn, Horti medici Amstelodamensis rariorum tam orientalis quam occidentalis Indiae aliarumque peregrinarum plantarum 2: 9, t.5. 1701. South Africa, W Cape; Jan-Apr 1689, Hendrik Bernard Oldenland 3 [Maria Moninckx Atlas 3: t.6 (1698-1704)] [cited in synomymy by Linnaeus (1748: 86) as A. perfoliata var. γ, but later segregated as A. perfoliata var. θ (1753: 320).

ET (design. Guglielmone & al 2009: 178): South Africa, Kwazulu-Natal, Pietermaritzburg, alongside the road between Bishopstowe & Hayfields, 18 Aug 2007, Crouch 1138 (NH).

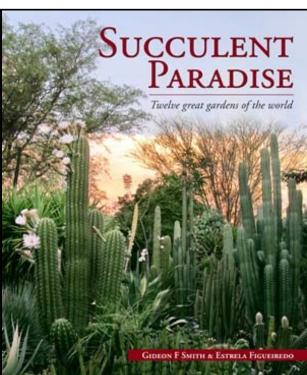
#### Homotypic synonym:

Aloe maculosa Lam., Encyclopédie méthodique: botanique 1: 87. 1783.

#### Heterotypic synonym:

Aloe picta var. major Willd., Caroli a Linné Species Plantarum, ed.5 2(1): 186-187. 1799. T: None.

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Haworthia splendens hybrid "Kuro Tori"





Haworthia maughanii hybrid variegate Haworthia wimii hybrid (Iceage seeding)



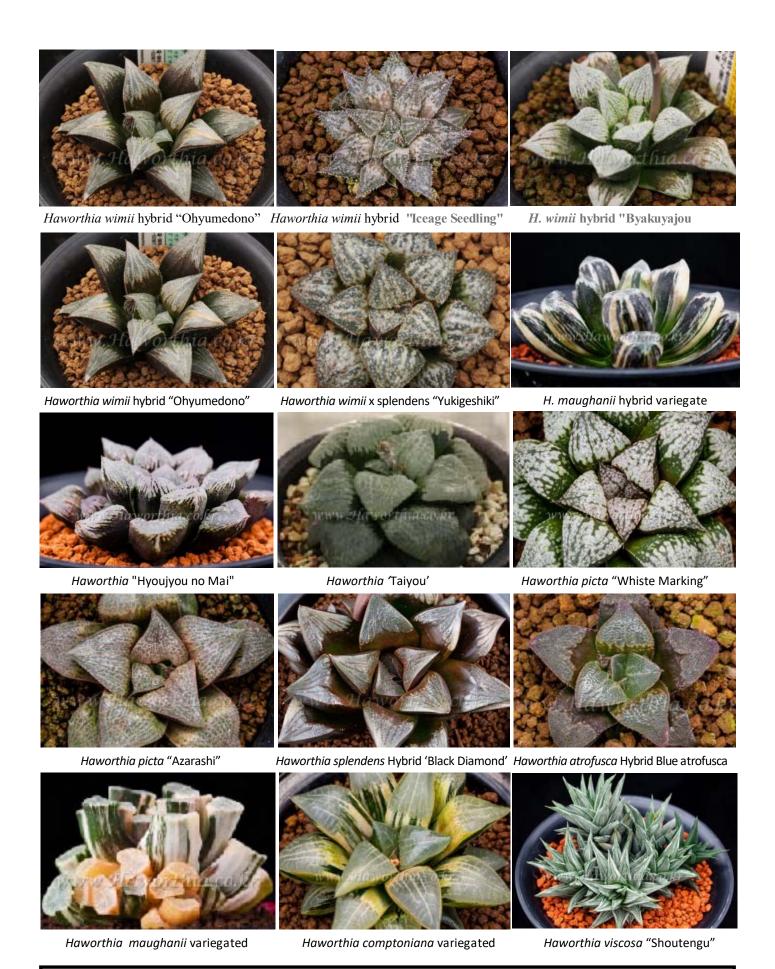
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