

The crinkled edges and light apricot colour of 'Lace Legacy' make its presence felt (top). Lightly ruffled 'Blue Rhythm' is less dramatic (centre). With its yellow standards and light blue lavender falls, 'Haut les Voiles' is an example of a bicolour iris (bottom).



Planted en masse in borders, bearded iris put on a colourful show.

## COLOUR TYPES

Because of the huge colour range and patterns available, the basic colour patterns have been classified.

**Amoena:** Pale standards and coloured falls.

**Bicolour:** Standards and falls of two different colours.

**Bitone:** Two shades of the same colour.

**Blend:** A mix or blend of two different colours.

**Luminata:** Dark falls with pale area around the beard.

**Neglecta:** Pale blue standards and darker blue falls.

**Plicata:** White, yellow or pale pink petals, dotted or stitched with darker shades.

**Self:** Standards and falls of one colour.

**Variegata:** Yellow standards and red or maroon falls.