

**50th Annual National Collegiate Landscape Competition**  
**March 18 - 21, 2025**  
**Michigan State University**

**Rules for All Identification Lists:**

1. Spelling is how you see it on the lists; no changes will be made to the lists once they have been posted to the NCLC website. In the case of typographical errors, the listed spelling and the correct spelling will be accepted on your answer sheets.
2. The genus is always capitalized and the specific epithet is always in lower case. Underlining of the genus and specific epithet is not required for the test.
3. Common names should not be capitalized unless it is a proper name. Only one common name is required for each plant/specimen.
4. Hybrid indicators should be a multiplication sign that is not italicized.
  - a. Interspecific hybrids are indicated by a small multiplication sign that immediately precedes the specific epithet.
  - b. Intergeneric hybrids are indicated by a large multiplication sign that immediately precedes the genus.
5. Cultivars are in plain text, never italicized, enclosed by single quotes.
6. Group names are in plain text.
7. Text in parenthesis is for your information only and is not required on the test.