

Echeveria 'Phyllis Collis'. Carnations.

Parentage. *E. subrigida* x *E. affinis*.

Stem short, evident, in age 8cm tall, 3cm thick, offsets few or none; leaves numerous, 40 to 50 or more, crowded, obovate cuneate to oblong-lanceolate, 10 to 12 cm long, 3 to 4 cm broad, nearly flat above, rounded beneath and obscurely keeled near the tip. They are glaucous, brownish-olive to a pale blue-brown tinged more or less pinkish with good cultivation.

Flowers, the inflorescence is a dense flat-topped cyme with numerous spreading branches, each branch with from 5 to 9 scarlet red lanceolate shaped flowers. Flowers from Sept to November.

Origin. Deliberate cross made in the autumn of 1970 by Mr Reg Collis of Finedon, Wellingborough, Northants, named in honour of his wife Phyllis, first described in the N.C. & S.S. journal Vol 33/1 page 5 1978.

Remarks. This hybrid represents an interesting and very ornamental first generation cross between two distinctive parents. It combines admirably the flowering qualities of *E. affinis* with the shape and habit of *E. subrigida*.