Cultivar Diversity of Balsam (Impatiens balsamina L.) in Banyumas Regency

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Abstract
Balsam or garden balsam (Impatiens balsamina L.) is a widely grown flowering plant belonging to the family Balsaminaceae. The most conspicuous part to distinguish the balsam is the difference in the flower shape and colors of each cultivar. The purpose of this research is to find out the cultivars diversity of the balsam. The method used in this study was survey with purposive sampling. The variables observed in this study was morphological characteristics including the stem, leaves, flowers, fruits, and seeds. The data obtained were analysed descriptively. The result of this study showed that there were 15 cultivars of I. Balsamina i.e. 'Pinkish White 5 Petal', 'Mix Pink Camelias', 'Pinkish White Camelias', 'Vivid Pink', 'White', 'Light Pink', 'Pinkish White', 'Light Magenta', 'Vivid Red', 'Red Camellia', 'Reddish Camellia', 'Rose Red Camellia', 'Vivid Magenta Camellia', 'Rose Green Camellia', and 'Vivid Pink Camellia' .

Key words: balsam, Balsaminaceae, cultivar, diversity, systematics

INTRODUCTION
The balsam (Impatiens balsamina L.) is an annual herb with 30-80 cm tall (Backer & Brink, 1963). The balsam flowers color are pink, red, mauve, lilac, or white. The balsams have a short life cycle, large flowers, and a rather precise differentiation of color classes (Meenu et al., 2015). The flower is very attractive for research, its flowering process requires short-day conditions, and flower reversion can be obtained expectedly after conversion to long-day conditions (Pouteau et al., 1998). One of the best-known characteristics of Impatiens is the explosive dehiscence of the five-valved, loculicidal capsule. The ripe seed capsules undergo explosive dehiscence (Meenu et al., 2015). The valves of the fruit roll-up inwardly and acropetally, which causes the seeds to be dispersed in all directions. What remains is the central axis of the fruit on which the seeds were attached, and at the top, the spirally winded valves (Caris et al., 2006).

Impatiens balsamina or balsam or garden balsam a species of Impatiens native to southern Asia in India(Rejimon and Varghese, 2015), it belongs to the family of Balsaminaceae. Synonyms of I. balsamina is I. coccinea, I. corneta, and Balsamina hortensis. The family consist of more than 1,000 species(Janssens et al., 2009), but only two genera are recognized (Meenu et al., 2015), the large genera Impatiens L. and Hydrocera Blume (Caris et al., 2006). The genera of Impatiens is found in almost all regions in Indonesia such as Java, Sumatra, Kalimantan, Sulawesi, and Papua. Many among them are endemic types. In Indonesia found ± 60 types of Impatiens with highest diversity is in Sumatra ± 40 types (Utami, 2012).

The balsams has short life cycle, large flowers, and rather precise differentiation of color classes. The flowers color are pink, red, mauve,lilac, or white (Meenu et al., 2015). According to Tanem & Williamson (2002) there are several double-flowered I. balsamina cultivars such as 'Camellia Flowered', 'Tom Thumb', and 'Topknot'. Newcomb (1985) also reported that there are several cultivars of garden balsam, namely 'Camellia Flowered', 'Carnation

Balsams are found growing naturally from 0 m to 1250 m asl in wetlands, rather open places or as forest undergrowth. In cultivation this plant thrives in soil that is rich in nutrients and loose with water that is easily reached. In the tropics it usually blooms throughout the year (PROSEA, 1999). The garden balsam contains anthocyanin compounds, which have antioxidant and antibacterial.

The sampling areas include Purwokerto areas, Kedung Banteng, Baturraden & Sumbang at an altitude of ± 25-1000 m asl where the Purwokerto region is located at an altitude of 25-100 masl and some areas of Kedung Banteng, Baturraden, and Sumbang are located at an altitude of 500-1000 masl (Banyumas Regency Goverment, 2018). Based on the annual rainfall class, the Banyumas Regency area is included in the wetland category (Ministri of Agricultur, 2015). Based on the type of climate according to (Schmidt & Ferguson, 1951) shows that the Banyumas Regency has a very wet climate. Average annual temperatures range from 26.1 °C-28 °C with a minimum temperature of 21.2 °C and a maximum temperature of 32.8 °C. The condition of the environment is very suitable with the conditions of garden balsam growing, but at this time not yet known how the diversity of garden balsam in Banyumas District, therefore its really need to do this research.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

This study showed that there were 15 cultivars of balsam (Impatiens balsamina L.) namely 'Pinkish White 5 Petal', 'Mix Pink Camellia', 'Pinkish White Camellia', 'Vivid Pink', 'White', 'Light Pink', 'Pinkish White', 'Light Magenta', 'Vivid Red', 'Red Camellia', 'Reddish Camellia', 'Rose Red Camellia', 'Vivid Magenta Camellia', 'Rose Green Camellia, and 'Vivid Pink Camellia'.

Impatiens balsamina 'Reddish Camellia' is the most numerous found cultivar because in twenty one villages was found 29 individuals while I. balsamina 'Rose Red Camellia', I. balsamina 'Vivid Magenta Camellia', and I. balsamina 'Pinkish White 5 Petal' are the most fewest found cultivar because only 1 individu were found from twenty-one villages in Banyumas Regency with coordinate S 7° 15’05’’-7°37’10’’ E 109° 11’17’’-109’27’15’’ which is consist of seven sub-district namely North Purwokerto, East Purwokerto, West Purwokerto, South Purwokerto, Kedung Banteng, Baturraden, and Sumbang. In each sub-district, three villages were sampled, namely North Purwokerto (Grendeng, Sumampir, and Pabuwaran), East Purwokerto (Arcawinangun, Mersi, and Purwokerto Wetan), West Purwokerto (Kober, Bantarsoka, and Kedungwuluh), South Purwokerto (Purwokerto Kidul, Tanjung, and Purwokerto Kulon), Kedung Banteng (Beji, Karang Nangka, and Kataliman), Baturraden (Karangsalam, Karangtengah, and Karangmangu), and Sumbang (Kebanggan, Banteran, and Banjarsari Wetan). The samples were identified by using Backer & Brink (1963), Newcomb (1985), Pal (2015), and Tanem & Williamson (2002). The research method used was survey with purposive sampling technique. The variables observed in this study was morphological characteristics including the stem, leaves, flowers, fruits, and seeds. The voucher specimens were stored at Herbarium Fakultas Biologi Unsoed (PUNS) for future references.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

The materials used in this research were 15 cultivars of balsam (Impatiens balsamina L.) and alcohol 70 %. This research was conducted in
seven sub-district. Based on the survey of garden balsam, commonly people called this plant with *tanaman kingkong*, *bunga kingkong* or *mihong*. The garden balsam mostly cultivated by people in their house but also around the civil settlement. The cultivation of garden balsam mostly easy because the fruit capsule will explode and releasing the seeds in random direction also people only spread out the seed randomly.

**Key to The Species**

1. a. Stem purely green...........................................................................................................2
   b. Stem contain red color................................................................. 8
2. a. Petal number 5................................................................................................................1. *I. balsamina* 'Pinkish White 5 Petal'
   b. Petal number not 5 .........................................................................................................3
3. a. Petal number 10 ................................................................................................................4
   b. Petal number 3 ..................................................................................................................5
4. a. Leaf width 2-3 cm.............................................................................................................2. *I. balsamina* 'Mix Pink Camellia'
   b. Leaf width 2.5-4 cm......................................................................................................3. *I. balsamina* 'Pinkish White Camellia'
5. a. Plant height more than 1 m tall......................................................................................4. *I. balsamina* 'Vivid Pink'
   b. Plant height less than 1 m tall..........................................................................................6
6. a. Petal color white; fruit length up to 2.2 cm................................................................. 5. *I. balsamina* 'White'
   b. Petal color light pink; fruit length less than 1.8 cm......................................................7
7. a. Fruit stalk color reddish..................................................................................................6. *I. balsamina* 'Light Pink'
   b. Fruit stalk color green......................................................................................................7. *I. balsamina* 'Pinkish White'
8. a. Fruit length up to 3 cm.................................................................................................. 8. *I. balsamina* 'Rose Red Camellia'
   b. Fruit length up to 2.5 cm..............................................................................................9
   b. Spur color not whitish....................................................................................................10
10. a. Petiole color green........................................................................................................10. *I. balsamina* 'Light Magenta'
    b. Petiole color reddish.......................................................................................................11
11a. Leaf blade linier.............................................................................................................11. *I. balsamina* 'Rose Green Camellia'
    b. Leaf blade oblong-lanceolate......................................................................................12
12a. Stem base diameter up to 1 cm......................................................................................12. *I. balsamina* 'Vivid Pink Camellia'
    b. Stem base diameter up to 2 cm....................................................................................13
13a. Petiole length up to 2 cm; corolla color vivid magenta................................................................13. *I. balsamina* 'Vivid Magenta Camellia'
    b. Petiole length less than 2 cm; corolla color red..........................................................14
14a. Leaf length up to 8.5 cm; stem color red..................................................................... 14. *I. balsamina* 'Red Camellia'
    b. Leaf length up to 12.5 cm; stem color reddish green..............................................15. *I. balsamina* 'Reddish Camellia'

The description of each cultivars are as follows:

1. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Pinkish White 5 Petal'

   Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 50-60 cm tall, 2.5-2.76 cm diameters; light green with swollen nodes; internodes about 0.5-3 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; 7-9.5 cm long; 1.5-2.2 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; leaf surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; five petals; spur slender about 1.2-1.8 cm long; pinkish white. Fruits capsules; stalk green; 1.5-1.8 cm long; generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.8-2.1 cm long; 0.52-0.7 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.15-0.28 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

   **Distribution**: Mersi, East Purwokerto

2. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Mix Pink Camellia'

   Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 53-70 cm tall diameters, 1.18-1.43 cm; light green with swollen nodes; internodes about 0.5-2 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 8-13 cm long; 2-3 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; leaf surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 2.2-2.2 cm long; mix light pink, pink, dark pink. Fruits capsule; stalk yellow; 2.1-2.4 cm long; the fruit capsule generally, striped eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive
dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicid capsule; 1.5-2.5 cm long; 0.75-0.85 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.16-0.17 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution**: Bantarsoka, West Purwokerto & Karangsalam, Baturraden

3. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Pinkish White Camellia'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched; 60-90 cm tall, 1.32-1.65 cm diameters; stem light green with swollen nodes; internodes about 1-3 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 9-16 cm long; 2.5-4 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; leaf surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers located in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 1.7-2 cm long; pinkish white. Fruits capsules; stalk green; 1.6-2.1 cm long; the fruit generally striped, elliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.5-2 cm long; 0.77-0.97 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.18-0.19 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution**: Karangwangkal, North Purwokerto; Karangsalam & Karangmangu, Baturraden

4. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Vivid Pink'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 58-70 cm tall, 1.155-1.20 cm diameter; light green with swollen nodes; internodes about 1-3 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 8.5-11.5 cm long; 2-2.7 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; three petals; spur slender about 2-3.5 cm long; white. Fruits capsules; stalk green; 1.9-2.2 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, elliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.5-2.2 cm long; 0.73-0.96 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about
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0.20-0.27 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Sumampir, North Purwokerto; Mersi, East Purwokerto; Kober, West Purwokerto; Karangsalam, Baturraden; Beji & Kutraliman, Kedung Banteng

6. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Light Pink'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 60-70 cm tall; 50-1.65 cm diameter; light green with swollen nodes; internodes about 1-2 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 8-12.7 cm long; 1.7-3 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; three petals; spur slender about 1.8-2 cm long; pinkish white. Fruits capsules; stalk green; 1.5-1.8 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.1-1.7 cm long; 0.94-1 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.19-0.22 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Kober, West Purwokerto; Karangsalam, Baturraden

8. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Rose Red Camellia'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 75-85 cm tall, 1.46-2.12 cm diameters; stem red with swollen nodes; internodes about 1-2.5 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole red; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 10-15 cm long; 2.5-4 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateraly or one to three flowers located in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 2.3-2.5 cm long; very light rose. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2-2.3 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 2.5-3 cm long; 0.75-0.96 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.20-0.24 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Karangsalam, Baturraden
9. **Impatiens balsamina** L. *'Vivid Red'*

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 68-70 cm tall, 1.94-2.05 cm diameters; reddish-green with swollen nodes; internodes about 0.5-3 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 8-11 cm long; 2.2-2.5 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; three petals; spur slender about 1.5-1.8 cm long; vivid red. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2.4-2.5 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicid capsule; 1.6-2 cm long; 0.60-0.73 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.2-0.25 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Mersi, East Purwokerto; Banteran & Banjarsari_Wetan, Sumbang; Karangtengah, Baturraden; Beji & Karangnangka, Kedung Banteng

10. **Impatiens balsamina** L. *'Light Magenta'*

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 42-90 cm tall, 2.2-5.4 cm diameter; reddish-green with swollen nodes; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole green; scattered or alternate; linear, blade 10-15.5 cm long; 1.5-2 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; three petals; spur slender about 1.2-1.4 cm long; light magenta. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2.2-2.4 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicid capsule; 1.6-2.2 cm long; 0.85-1.19 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.19-0.24 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Arcawinangun, East Purwokerto; Kober, West Purwokerto; Kebanggan, Banteran, & Banjarsari_Wetan, Sumbang; Karangtengah, Baturraden; Beji & Karangnangka, Kedung Banteng

11. **Impatiens balsamina** L. *'Rose Green Camellia'*

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 70-80 cm tall; 1.74-2.80 cm diameter; reddish-green with swollen nodes; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole reddish-green; scattered or alternate; linear; blade 8-13 cm long; 2.3-3.5 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green; internodes about 1.5 cm. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 2.5-3.1 cm long; very light rose. Fruits capsules stalk reddish; 1.5-3 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicid capsule; 1.4-1.6 cm long; 0.61-0.64 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.14-0.18 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution** : Arcawinangun, East Purwokerto; Kober, West Purwokerto

12. **Impatiens balsamina** L. *'Vivid Pink Camellia'*

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 65-70 cm tall; 1.10-1.55 cm diameter; reddish-yellow with swollen nodes; internodes about 1.5-2 cm long;
surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole reddish; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 8-11.5 cm long; 1.5-2.5 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 1.3-2.2 cm long; vivid pink. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2.1-2.2 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, elliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 2-2.5 cm long; 0.69-1.40 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.17-0.22 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution:** Mersi, East Purwokerto; Kebanggan, Sumbang; Karang Nangka, Kedung Banteng

13. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Vivid Magenta Camellia'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 60-80 cm tall; 2-2.08 cm diameters; reddish-green with swollen nodes; internodes about 0.5-1.5 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole reddish-green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 10-14 cm long; 2.5-3.5 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers located in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 2.4-2.8 cm long; vivid magenta. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2-3.2 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, elliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.5-2.2 cm long; 0.7-1 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.18-0.22 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution:** Arcawinangun, East Purwokerto

14. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Red Camellia'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 86-90 cm tall; 2.33-2.5 cm diameters; stem red with swollen nodes; internodes about 0.5-1.5 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole red; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 5.5-8.5 cm long; 1.6-2 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green; lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 0.8-3.3 cm long; red. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 2.6-2.8 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, elliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.5-2 cm long; 0.73-1 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.14-0.2 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution:** Arcawinangun & Mersi, East Purwokerto; Bantarsoka; West Purwokerto; Purwokerto Kulon, South Purwokerto; Kebanggan & Banteran, Sumbang; Karangtengah, Baturraden; Beji & Karang Nangka, Kedung Banteng

15. *Impatiens balsamina* L. 'Reddish Camellia'

Annual herb; stem erect and branched, 72-86 cm tall; 1.53-2.23 cm diameter; reddish-green with swollen nodes; internodes about 1.5-2 cm long; surface shortly hairy. Leaves simple with petiole reddish-green; scattered or alternate; oblong-lanceolate; blade 6-12.5 cm long; 2-3 cm wide; base cuneate; apex acuminate; margin serrate; surface shortly hairy; upper surface shortly hairy, dark green;
lower surface shortly hairy, light green. Flowers simple; lateral or one to three flowers in the leaf axils; two lateral sepals; ten petals; spur slender about 1.7-1.9 cm long; red. Fruits capsules; stalk reddish; 1.9-2.1 cm long; the fruit capsule generally striped, eliptical or oval; five-valved explosive dehiscence; narrowed apex; tomentose or hairy; capsule fleshy; rhegma fruit or ripe capsule explodes releasing seeds by splitting open of locule between the valves called loculicidal capsule; 1.8-2 cm long; 0.75-1.1 cm in diameters; fruit green. Seeds multiple; ovate; granules; about 0.15-0.22 cm in diameters; young seed green; old seed dark brown.

**Distribution:** North Purwokerto; West Purwokerto; Purwokerto Kidul & Purwokerto Kulon, South Purwokerto; Kebangkan & Banteran, Sumbang; Karangtengah & Karangmangu, Baturraden; Karang Nangka & Kutaliman, Kedung Banteng

**CONCLUSION**

There were 15 cultivars of *I. balsamina* found *I. balsamina.* Cultivar 'Reddish Camellia' is the most numerous cultivar because found 29 individuals while 'Rose Red Camellia', 'Vivid Magenta Camellia', and 'Pinkish White 5 Petal' were the most fewest found cultivar because only one individu.

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