

40222. CITRUS BERGAMIA Risso. Rutaceæ. **Bergamot orange.**

From Bronte, Sicily. Presented by Mr. Charles Beek. Received March 25, 1915.

"The Bergamot orange grows all down the coast of Calabria from above Scilla to the end of the boot and is not cultivated in Sicily; it grows all along the seashore and is cultivated intensely, i. e., highly manured and watered with the greatest care." (*Beek.*)

40223 to 40235. PRUNUS BOKHARIENSIS Royle. Amygdalaceæ. **Plum.**

From Seharunpur, India. Presented by Mr. A. C. Hartless, superintendent, Government Botanic Garden. Plants received March 20, 1915. Quoted notes by Mr. Hartless.

"Country varieties. This is a race of plums the origin of which has not yet been satisfactorily settled. By some botanists it is supposed to be a distinct species from either the Japanese or European plums. They are undoubtedly much more adapted for semitropical conditions than any other varieties. They can be cultivated with success either in the plains (of northern India especially) or on the hills. Some of them are very good indeed as a dessert, and all can be utilized in cooking and preserving. For general culture in the plains these are to be strongly recommended. In the vernacular they are generally known as *Alubokhara* and *Alucha*. The difference between the two is not very marked; but a practiced person can detect them. The former is much more free growing than the *Alucha*, and the fruits are slightly more oval in shape. No. 1 to No. 6 are the oldest known varieties. Nos. 7 to 14 are termed plums by the malis, but to others are generally classed as *Alubokharas*. They have been collected from various sources in northern India, and as they have distinguishing characters they have been named according to these. They all fruit freely on the plains, coming into fruit about the beginning of May and lasting for nearly two months."

40223. "No. 1. *Alubokhara*. Large. Later than No. 2 [S. P. I. No. 40224]. Good for dessert but not good for cooking."

40224. "No. 2. *Alubokhara*. Small. Earlier than No. 1 [S. P. I. No. 40223]."

40225. "No. 4. *Alucha*. Purple. One of the best in my opinion."

40226. "No. 5. *Alucha*. Red. The best of the *Aluchas*."

40227. "No. 6. *Alucha*. Yellow."

40228. "No. 7. *Alubokhara*. Dwarf early yellow. Good for dessert."

40229. "No. 8. *Alubokhara*. Early large red. Good for dessert."

40230. "No. 9. *Alubokhara*. Early round. Good for dessert."

40231. "No. 10. *Alubokhara*. Kabul Greengage. Is one of the best."

40232. "No. 11. *Alubokhara*. From Ladak. Is better for cooking."

40233. "No. 12. *Alubokhara*. Large red. Good both for dessert and for cooking."

40234. "No. 13. *Alubokhara*. Large yellow. Good both for dessert and for cooking."

40235. "No. 14. *Alubokhara*. Late yellow. Good both for dessert and cooking."