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(54) **SUTERA PLANT NAMED ‘KLESG13258’**

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Varietal Denomination: **KLESG13258**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new *Sutera* plant particularly distinguished by having a
pink flower color, less branching and a trailing plant habit is
disclosed.

1 Drawing Sheet

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Genus and species: *Sutera grandiflora*.
Variety denomination: ‘KLESG13258’.

BACKGROUND OF THE NEW PLANT

The present invention comprises a new and distinct variety
of *Sutera*, botanically known as *Sutera grandiflora*, and here-
inafter referred to by the variety name ‘KLESG13258’.
‘KLESG13258’ originated from an open-pollination between
the proprietary female *Sutera* variety ‘ScopGPiBea’ (unpat-
ented) and an unknown male *Sutera* variety.

In August of 2010, seed was collected from the open-
pollination cross of two *Sutera* parental lines, ‘ScopGPiBea’
and an unknown *Sutera* in Stuttgart, Germany. The seeds
were sown and plants were grown for evaluation. A plant line
was selected in May 2011 which had a pink flower color and
subsequently named ‘KLESG13258’. In May 2011,
‘KLESG13258’ was first vegetatively propagated by in-vitro
cultivation in Stuttgart, Germany. ‘KLESG13258’ was found
to reproduce true to type in successive generations of asexual
propagation via in-vitro cultivation in Stuttgart, Germany.

SUMMARY

The following are the most outstanding and distinguishing
characteristics of this new variety when grown under normal
horticultural practices in Stuttgart, Germany.

- 1. Pink flower color;
- 2. Less branching; and
- 3. Trailing plant habit.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PHOTOGRAPH

This new *Sutera* plant is illustrated by the accompanying
photograph which shows a close-up of the flowers.

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The photograph is of a 12-week-old plant grown in Stut-
tgart, Germany in June 2012. The colors shown are as true as
can be reasonably obtained by conventional photographic
procedures.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following detailed descriptions set forth the distinctive
characteristics of ‘KLESG13258’. The data which define
these characteristics were collected from asexual reproduc-
tions by in-vitro cultivation carried out in Stuttgart, Germany.
Data was collected on 11-week-old plants grown in a con-
trolled greenhouse environment in Stuttgart, Germany in
May 2013. Color references are to The R.H.S. Colour Chart
of The Royal Horticultural Society of London (R.H.S.),
(2005).

Classification:

- Family.—Scrophulariaceae.
- Botanical.—*Sutera grandiflora*.
- Common.—*Sutera*.
- Designation.—‘KLESG13258’.

Parentage:

- Female parent.—Proprietary *Sutera* line ‘ScopGPiBea’
(unpatented).
- Male parent.—An unknown *Sutera* line.

Plant:

- Habit.—Trailing.
- Height.—About 13.0 cm.
- Spread.—45.0 cm.
- Life cycle.—Blooms from April until September.
- Form.—Round.
- Time to produce a rooted cutting.—4 weeks.
- Time to bloom from propagation.—6 weeks.

Lastingness of inflorescence on the plant.—About 7 days.

Rooting habit and color.—Fine, fibrous roots; color is white to cream-white.

Stems:

Number of stems per plant.—4.

Length.—About 22.0 cm.

Diameter.—0.8 cm.

Internode length.—About 2.5 cm.

Color.—RHS 144A.

Texture.—Smooth.

Anthocyanin.—Absent.

Leaves:

Arrangement.—Single, opposite.

Average number of leaves per branch.—About 20 leaves, and dependent on the age of the plant.

Leaf type.—Simple.

Leaf variegation.—Absent.

Shape.—Ovate, acute angle to the stem.

Apex.—Acute.

Base.—Cordate.

Margin.—Serrate.

Length.—Between 1.6 cm and 3.0 cm.

Width.—Between 1.4 cm and 3.4 cm.

Color.—Immature and mature leaves: Upper surface: RHS 137A. Lower surface: RHS 137C.

Texture.—Upper and lower surface: Leathery.

Venation type.—Pinnate.

Venation color.—Upper and lower surfaces: RHS 144A.

Fragrance.—Present.

Petiole.—Length: 0.5 cm to 1.8 cm, depending on the leaf size. Diameter: 0.1 cm to 0.2 cm. Texture: Pubescent. Color: RHS 143C (Green).

Inflorescence:

Blooming habit.—Freely flowering.

Natural flowering season.—Flowers 4 weeks after potting; flowers all year round in moderate climates; if in full sun and heat, flowering stops.

Persistent or self-cleaning.—Flowers are not really self-cleaning but because of the quantity of flowers, old flowers will not be noticeable.

Peduncle.—Absent.

Quantity of inflorescence per stem.—About 8.

Type of inflorescence.—Flowers are often solitary, most often 2 flowers per node are developed.

Fragrance.—Present.

Pedicel.—Color: RHS 144A. Length: About 1.0 cm. Diameter: About 0.1 cm. Texture: Pubescent. Strength: Moderate to strong.

Bud:

Shape.—Tubular.

Diameter.—0.3 cm.

Length.—0.4 cm.

Color (at tight bud).—RHS 155A.

Corolla (flower):

Corolla type and shape.—Single-type, nearly round, lower part tube and funnel shaped formed by 5 fused petals, upper part is salver shaped formed by the partly free petal lobes.

Corolla, horizontal diameter.—1.7 cm.

Corolla, total length.—1.7 cm.

Color of throat.—Inner surface: RHS 23A. Outer surface: RHS 13B.

Diameter of throat.—0.3 cm.

Texture of throat.—Inner and outer surface: Smooth.

Corolla tube length.—0.7 cm.

Corolla tube width.—0.5 cm.

Petal (lobes):

Apex.—Rounded tips.

Base.—Fused.

Margin.—Entire.

Color.—Inner surface: RHS N74C. Outer surface: RHS N80D.

Texture.—Upper and lower surface: Smooth.

Length.—About 0.6 cm.

Width.—About 0.7 cm.

Calyx:

Arrangement and appearance.—Whorl of 5 sepals surrounding the base of the flower tube, sepals are fused at the base.

Sepals.—Color: Upper and lower surfaces: RHS 139C. Length: 1.2 cm. Width: 0.1 cm. Apex: Acute. Base: Fused. Margin: Entire. Texture: Upper and lower surfaces: Densely pubescent. Shape: Lanceolate, acuminate.

Reproductive organs:

Stamens.—Quantity: 4. Filament: Color: RHS 155B. Length: 1.1 cm. Diameter: 0.1 cm. Anther color: RHS 15D. Pollen amount: Abundant. Pollen color: RHS 22A.

Pistil.—Quantity per flower: 1. Length: 0.9 cm. Stigma color: RHS 145C. Style color: RHS 155B. Style length: 0.9 cm to 1.2 cm. Ovary color: RHS 143C.

Fruit and seed set:

Capsulates/fruit.—Color: RHS 137C. Size: 0.5 cm×0.4 cm. Shape: Ovate.

Seeds.—Color: RHS 20A. Size: About 0.1 cm. Shape: Round.

Disease and pest/insect resistance: None observed.

COMPARISON WITH PARENTAL LINE AND KNOWN VARIETY

‘KLESG13258’ is distinguished from its female parent as described in Table 1:

TABLE 1

Comparison with Parental Line		
Trait	Variety ‘KLESG13258’	Female parent ‘ScopGPIBea’
Flower size	Smaller flowers than ‘ScopGPIBea’	Bigger flowers than ‘KLESG13258’

‘KLESG13258’ is most similar to the *Sutera* plant named ‘Scopia Rose’ (unpatented). Differences between the two varieties are described in Table 2:

TABLE 2

Comparison with Similar Variety		
Trait	Variety ‘KLESG13258’	Commercial line ‘Scopia Rose’
Flower size	Bigger flowers than ‘Scopia Rose’	Smaller flowers than ‘KLESG13258’
Branching	Less branching than ‘Scopia Rose’	More branching than ‘KLESG13258’

We claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of *Sutera* plant named ‘KLESG13258’ as illustrated and described herein.

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