The AAS Judges said this entry was a standout, especially in the southern gardens where heat was a major presence during the 2011 trials. All season long this beauty kept its upright habit with nicely draping leaves and dark purple/black fruit which appeared in small clusters along the stems. As summer progresses, the fruits mature to red giving a beautiful contrast against the dark purple foliage and bright purple flowers. Retailers and growers can sell this multi-use ornamental as a 20” border plant, a great color splash for containers or as a cut flower in mixed bouquets. Bred by Seeds By Design.

AAS® Winner Data
Genus species: Capsicum annuum
Common name: Ornamental Pepper
Unique qualities: Attractive purple foliage, fiery hot edible fruit, nice as cut flower
Fruit: Purple maturing to red
Flower size: 0.4 inches
Flower color: Pale purple
Foliage color: Deep purple
Plant height: 18 to 20 inches
Plant width: 12 to 15 inches
Garden location: Full sun
Length of time from sowing seed to flower: 14 weeks (98 days)
Disease resistance: TMV
Closest comparisons on market: ‘Pretty in Purple’ and ‘Black Pearl’