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## FALL CATALOG

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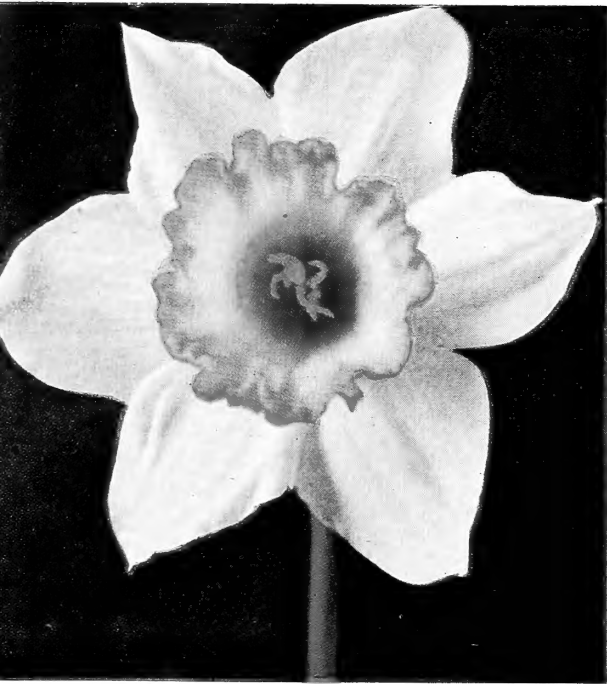
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Tunis

## Daffodil Collection

Have you become acquainted with the less common Daffodil types? Here is your chance to learn to know varieties in all the main groups with a small investment. This collection consists of 25 large No. 1 bulbs taken from our regular stock. Daffodil varieties look well together so we suggest that you plant the collection in one bed to create your garden's most interesting spot from the time the earliest varieties bloom until the late ones are through and you have finished "meeting the family" of Daffodil kinds.

### This Collection Includes:

- 10 Giant Trumpet Daffodils: 6 Giant Yellow, 2 Giant White Trumpet, 1 Pink Trumpet, 1 Double.
- 6 Shallow Cup Daffodils: 3 different varieties.
- 2 Poetaz.
- 2 Fragrant Jonquils.
- 3 Short-Cup Daffodils: 3 different varieties.
- 1 Triandrus Hybrid: Moonshine.
- 1 Cyclamineus Hybrid: February Gold.

Order as Collection No. 1.

Price \$5.20, postpaid to California, Arizona, Nevada. Add 50c postage to other states. Any difference will be refunded.



Lovenest (Left)

# Armstrong Quality Bulbs

When you buy Armstrong Bulbs you get only full size, carefully cured, quality bulbs which will produce superior blooms for you, satisfying in size and color. Our bulbs are of the same superior quality handled in past seasons.

## Important! Please Read Before Ordering

**Please Note.** No bulbs sold in any quantity less than the smallest quantity noted for each variety. No mail order for less than \$1.00 can be accepted for shipment. Cash with order, please. No COD's.

**Quantity Rates.** Six bulbs of one variety are sold at the 12-rate and 50 bulbs at the 100-rate.

**Directions for Planting.** Complete planting instructions will accompany each order.

**We pay transportation** on all bulbs to points in California, Arizona and Nevada. Customers in other states should include 15% of the amount of their orders to cover shipping costs. Any excess will be refunded.

**Shipping Time.** Most of the items listed in this catalog are ready for shipment in September or October, but a few are not ready until later. In each case we will forward each kind on your order at the proper time to plant.

## Daffodils

**Narcissi—Daffodils.** The sunshiny-petaled fragrant Daffodils during February and March are the showiest flowers in the garden and the finest for cutting. You will have no trouble growing them. They will thrive in any sunny spot, and in any good garden soil. Planted 6 inches apart, other later blooming plants may be grown in between without disturbing them, and even though they multiply it is always at least three years before they need to be dug up and replanted.

### Giant Trumpet Daffodils

**Aerolite.** A newer giant golden Daffodil now becoming very popular. The giant flower is beautifully proportioned and graceful; has a deep yellow trumpet thrust out in bold relief against the broad pointed primrose yellow star formed by the enormous outer petals. Blooming early and remaining late, it is one of the longest lasting of all Daffodils either in the garden or as a cut flower. 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.60; 100 for \$17.10.

**Ben Hur.** This new Giant variety with its immense deeply frilled blooms of pure Roman gold is our largest Daffodil. Beautifully proportioned despite its giant size, it has a flaring "loud speaker" trumpet which is unique. Our best new giant yellow trumpet. 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.40; 100 for \$22.35.

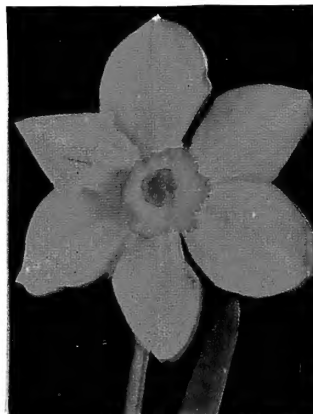
**Beersheba.** A glorious pure white giant trumpet Daffodil, possibly the finest of its color. The flowers have a parchment-like texture—last for weeks. A long slender trumpet with magnificent large petals. Truly a glorious flower. \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.25.

### Two Royal Daffodils

**King Alfred.** The finest golden yellow of all the large flowered giant trumpet Daffodils. Its great bold, beautifully frilled trumpets stand out crisply and luxuriantly on long stiff stems and its lovely uniformly rich golden yellow color is unsurpassingly brilliant. An early bloomer — it is truly a king among the Daffodils. See illustration front cover. Double-nose No. 1 bulbs. 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.60; 100 for \$17.10.

We also have an extremely large Jumbo size bulb. 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.25; 100 for \$21.30.

**Emperor.** Immense long-stemmed flowers of golden yellow, the trumpet slightly deeper than the perianth (outer petals). It blooms late when most of the other varieties are gone and is very dependable. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.20; 100 for \$14.50.



Bath's Flame



Red Cross

## "Different" Daffodils

Our customers get a lot of pleasure out of trying some of the rarer exhibition Daffodils that we can highly recommend as desirable under our growing conditions.

**Lovenest.** The large starry perianth of translucent white forms an enhancing background for the beautiful trumpet. Fully 1½ inches across, the trumpet is saffron-yellow at its base, and the daintily frilled lip is a rich glowing apricot-pink. Look on page 2 for an idea of the exquisite color blending. 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.40; 100 for \$22.35.

**Tunis.** The experts agree that this giant flowered, tall, robust grower is tops. The large, wide flaring ivory trumpets have turned back, neatly cut borders of coppery gold. They look out at you against a beautifully contrasting background of pure white petals. Illustrated, page 2. \$1.30 each; 3 for \$3.25; 12 for \$9.55.

**February Gold** will surprise you. The blooms are golden all right, but the long trumpets are interestingly fringed with orange. Starts to bloom very early—but is still going strong in February, and you get, on each stem, two or three large blooms with gracefully curved-back petals. Illustrated below. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.20.

**Mrs. R. O. Backhouse.** The most famous of pink daffodils. Petals of ivory white surround the long slim trumpet which is apricot-pink changing to shell-pink at the frilled edge. \$2.50 each; 3 for \$6.50.

**Red Shadow.** Creamy yellow petals with a chrome yellow cup margined with orange-red, making a bold appearing flower. This is a beautiful plant in the garden and one of the latest to bloom. Illustrated below. 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.40.

**Francisca Drake.** Pure white petals, 1½ inches across and tinted gold at the base. Cup, wide and deep is tinted gold at the base, gradually changing to a flame-orange. 3 for 85c; 12 for \$2.75.

**Helios.** A splendid vigorous plant, with broad foliage and heavy stems, and the flower has that attractive "looking at you" habit. The perianth is a deep golden yellow, the petals overlapping. The shallow cup opens a little darker than the petals and in cool weather deepens to a light orange. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.20; 100 for \$14.50.

## Shallow Cup Daffodils

These daintily formed varieties have a flat cup in the center, which is often vividly tinted and frilled, instead of a trumpet. The varieties listed below all make exquisite cut flowers.

**Bath's Flame.** The deep yellow cup has a broad edge of orange-red, and the long petals spring from around it like six individual wavy golden flames. Illustrated, page 2. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.80.

**Mrs. Barclay.** The illustration on page 4 (about two-thirds natural size) gives you the colors found in the large flowers with their broad overlapping petals. A side view would better show the deeply frilled orange-scarlet rimmed cup. 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.60; 100 for \$17.10.

**Red Cross.** Famous for its large, strong, long-lasting flowers of vivid, intense chrome-yellow and deep orange. One of our best new Daffodils (See illustration, page 2.) 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.45.

**Diana Kasner.** One of the most beautiful Daffodils in our list and highly satisfactory in any garden. A pure white perianth, with a large, fluted, short yellow cup with blood-red frill. Very free flowering; sturdy stems. One of the best of the newer Daffodils. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.80; 100 for \$11.85.

## Short-Cup Mixture

There are many hundreds of varieties of the Short-Cup Daffodils, including Incomparabilis, Barrii, Leed sii, Poeticus and Poetaz types. For those who want a collection of the finest varieties but are not particular about having them as named kinds, we provide a mixture including only good varieties which we can offer at a very low price unlabeled. Please order as Short-Cup Daffodils Mixed. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$9.20.

## A Fine White Daffodil

**Mrs. E. H. Krelage.** Probably the most famous of white Daffodils with its large overlapping perianth of soft creamy white and its long trumpet of pale primrose, so light that it is placed in the white trumpet class. The flowers are long-stemmed, and the variety is very vigorous. It takes a white variety like this one to show off your yellow and vari-colored varieties to best advantage. (See illustration at right.) 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.40; 100 for \$22.35.



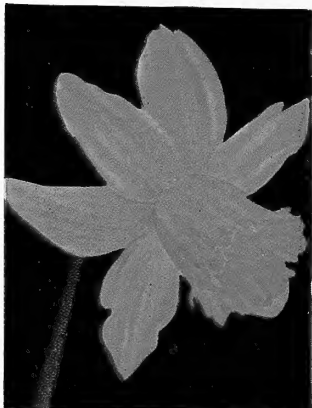
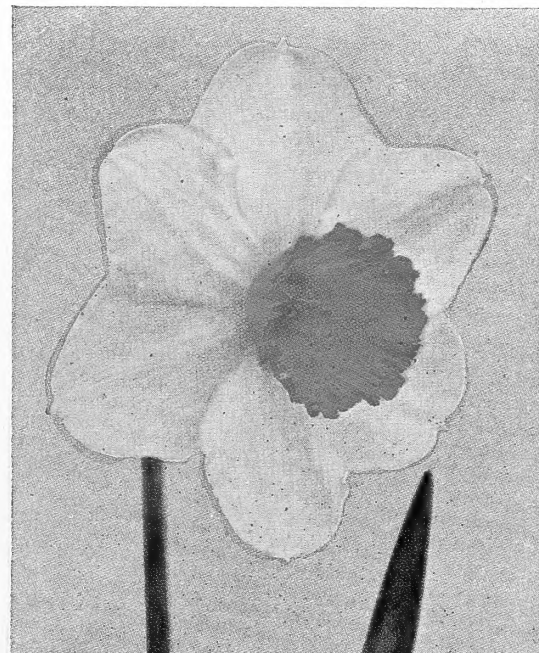
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## Double Daffodils

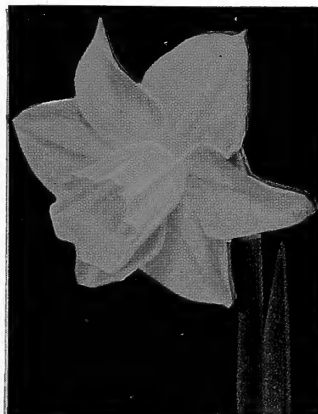
**Twink.** This graceful new semi-full type Daffodil is much superior to the clumsy older doubles. The outer petals are a soft primrose-yellow while the inner petals are alternately primrose-yellow and clear rich orange. Early and free flowering. A "must have" kind. 3 for \$1.05.

**Mary Copeland.** A very famous semi-double variety. There are two lengths of petals—the longer petals pure white with a beautiful golden ray down the center, while the shorter petals are golden-yellow and crimson-orange. The entire flower has a three-colored effect. Very satisfactory for those who like something different in form yet not fully double. 45c each; 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.35.

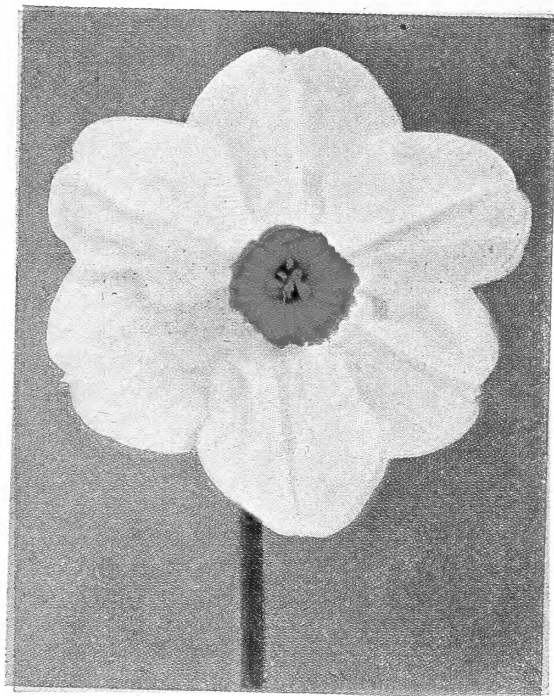
Red Shadow



February Gold



Golden Scepter



Edith

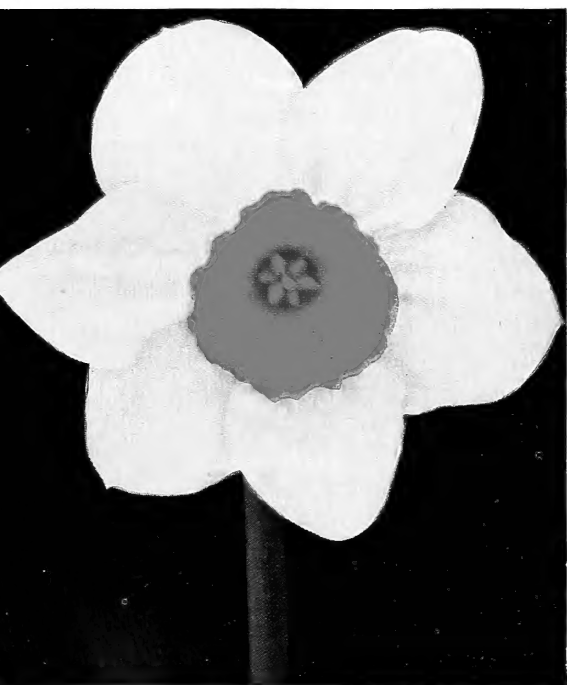
### A Lovely White

**Edith.** A finely formed, pure white flower with a small yellow cup, edged crimson-red. Petals broad and over-lapping, forming a perfect circle. One of the very latest varieties, extending the season by at least one week. Illustrated above. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00.

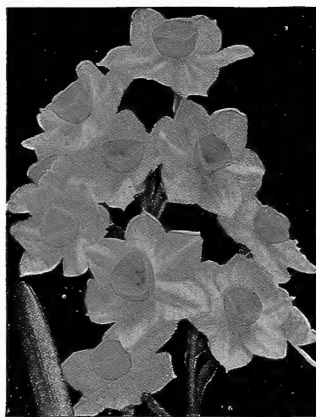
### "Get Acquainted Offer"

We are sure you would like to try some of the finest new Daffodils. Your garden budget won't have to stretch much to enable you to have our newest Daffodil kinds if you take advantage of this offer. One of them, Tunis, is illustrated on page 2.

**Twelve bulbs, individually labeled:** 2 Ben Hur, 2 February Gold, 1 Beersheba, 2 Tunis, 1 Mrs. R. O. Backhouse, 2 Lovenest, all for \$7.65. Post-paid to California, Arizona, Nevada. Add 25c postage to other states. Any difference will be refunded. **Order Collection No. 2.**



Mrs. Barclay



Soleil d'Or

### Bunch-Flowered Narcissi

No other group of Narcissi blooms as freely or naturalizes as readily as these free-blooming favorites. The big clusters of small yet perfectly formed blooms make their appearance early in the spring and will fill your garden with their intense fragrance. The long, sturdy stems hold the flower heads proudly erect, a requisite for lovely floral arrangements.

**Soleil d'Or.** This is the newer golden kind. The gleaming yellow flowers with their deep brilliant orange cups are very showy and appear very early in the garden before the other Narcissi. The bulbs increase rapidly in the garden. Illustrated above. 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.60; 100 for \$10.40.

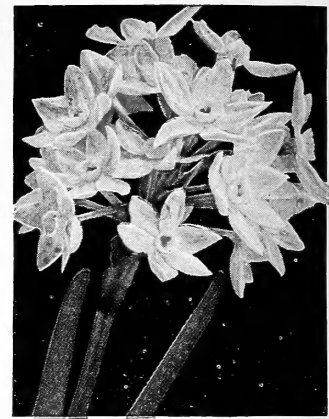
**Chinese Sacred Lily.** This is the Chinese "Flower of the Gods". Each bulb produces several spikes of exceedingly fragrant white flowers with a yellow cup. Grows easily in the garden, blooms early and is excellent for growing in bowls for indoor enjoyment. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.45; 100 for \$9.15.

**Paper-White Narcissus.** The popular cluster-flowered, pure white Narcissus so often grown both indoors and out. Blooms very early in the winter in California. One bulb will frequently have as many as 30 intensely fragrant individual blooms. (See illustration above.) Plant in bowls for fragrant early blooms indoors. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$7.95.

## Many Flowered Narcissi

### Poetaz Narcissi

**Laurens Koster.** These delightfully fragrant flowers top long, tall stems and are borne in clusters of five to seven blooms. This is a hybrid between the Poet's Narcissus and the Bunch-Flowered Narcissus. Those who have grown them prize them highly for their large clusters of deliciously fragrant, well formed flowers and for their vigorous growing habit. Do not confuse this group with the more common Chinese Sacred Lily as the Poetaz have larger blooms. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.80; 100 for \$11.85.



Paper White Narcissi

### Fragrant Jonquils

Below we list two dainty Jonquil Narcissi varieties with typical miniature Daffodil blooms, perfectly formed and extremely fragrant. Some confuse these varieties with the Poetaz Narcissi and the Bunch Flowered Narcissi. However, Jonquils are entirely different and distinctive, blooming much earlier than most Narcissi. Try several clumps around the base of a small deciduous tree, such as a birch. They'll bloom before the tree leaves out in the early spring, and you'll enjoy them immensely. Either variety below. 3 for 55c; 12 for \$1.80; 100 for \$11.85.

**Campernelle.** A single flowered golden Narcissus really entitled to the name Jonquil. Because of its extreme earliness, ability to grow anywhere, and exquisite scent, there should be a clump of them in every garden. The foliage is grass-like, and the dainty miniature blooms are usually borne three on a stalk. They bloom in February in Southern California and make marvelous winter cut flowers.

**Golden Sceptre.** A new Hybrid Jonquil which is only half the size of the Giant Trumpets but much more gracefully proportioned. The fine substance flowers are deep golden yellow with lighter trumpet. (See illustration, page 3.) Their exceptionally early blooms are very long lasting both in the garden and when cut.

### White Cyclamen Daffodil

**Thalia** is one of the most daintily fashioned of all Daffodils. The exquisitely formed petals curve gracefully back from the formal, smoothly tapered cup. Each stem has two or three snow-white blooms and each bloom is 2 inches across. It is a superb cut flower. 3 for \$1.50.

**Moonshine.** One of the loveliest of the cyclamen-flowered or Triandrus group. Flowers are star-shaped and creamy-white. Usually three of these fine flowers droop gracefully from the top of each stem. Makes a fine addition to flower arrangements. 3 for 80c; 12 for \$2.60.



**Pride of Haarlem**

## USA's Best Tulips

We are offering the following U. S. A. grown Tulips, which will make it possible for you to enjoy the gorgeous display of color that only Tulips can bring to the spring garden. We offer only the best bulbs available. Tulips are best when planted several of one color in a group.

**All kinds, 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.45; 100 for \$16.00.**

**Bartigon.** Large showy flowers of fiery crimson, with a pure white base. Strong, tall stems.

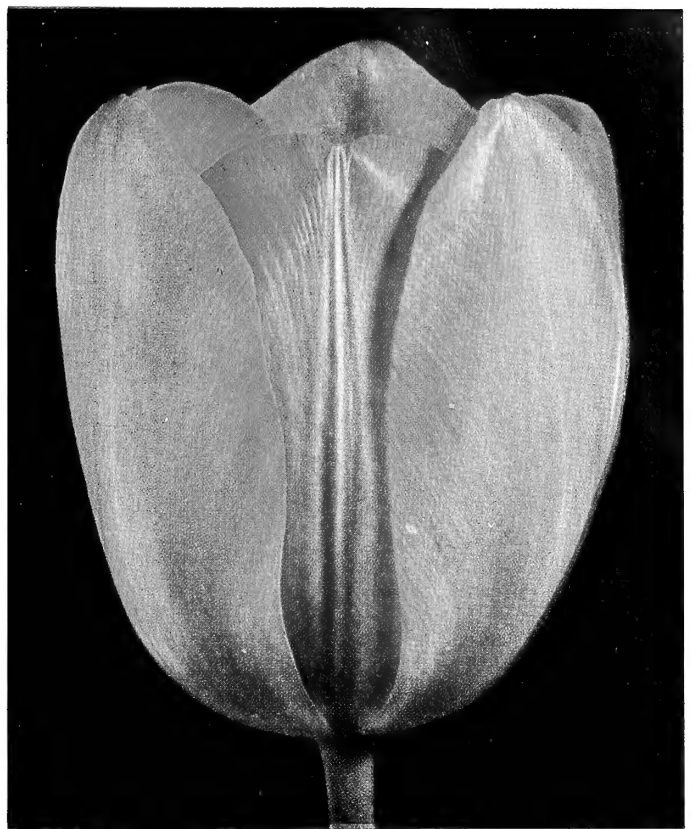
**Blue Eagle.** Beautiful soft lilac-blue, dainty and perfectly formed.

**Clara Butt.** Its perfect, long-stemmed flowers of soft salmon-pink make this the outstanding pink Darwin Tulip.

**Dido.** Magnificent fragrant flowers of salmon-orange. Inside, orange with a yellow base. One of the finest of its color.

**Dillenburg.** Tall, giant flowered kind with glorious orange flowers, shaded salmon. Very showy.

**Inglescombe Yellow.** The handsome cup-shaped flowers are a glossy canary-yellow.



**Dido**

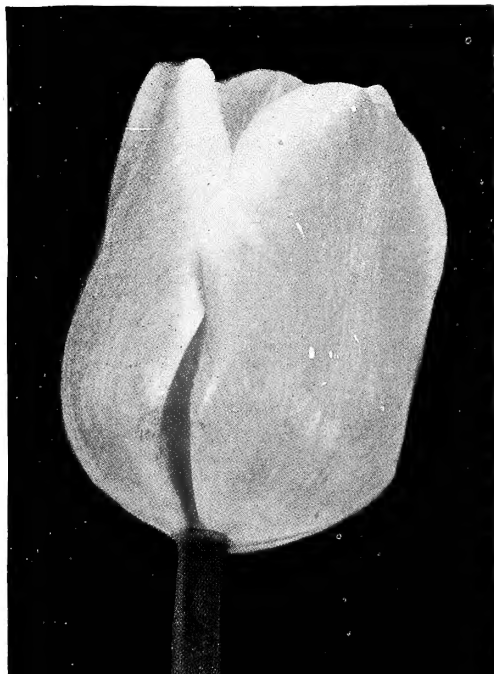
**Pride of Haarlem.** The most popular of all the red Tulips is this great handsome fiery cup of cardinal-red. The deep violet blue base outlined in white enhances the flower.

**Wm. Copeland.** Deep lilac and lavender combine to make the flower a delightful blend of blue shades.

**Princess Elizabeth.** Clear deep rose-pink, one of the loveliest of its color.

**Zwanenburg (White Swan).** The finest of all white Tulips, with large pure white flowers on long tall stems.

**Princess Elizabeth**



## Calla Lilies

In cool, shady spots they quickly establish permanent clumps. Baby Callas are splendid foreground plants and the Yellow Calla brings sunshine into a shady spot. All make good cut flowers.

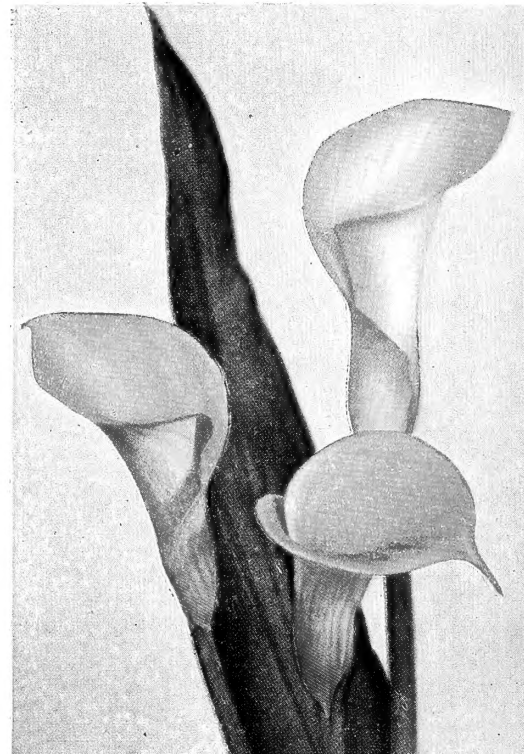
**Large White Calla** (*Calla aethiopica*). The popular large flowered pure white variety. The blooms appear on long stems and are surrounded with big handsome, glossy foliage. 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.20; 100 for \$14.15.

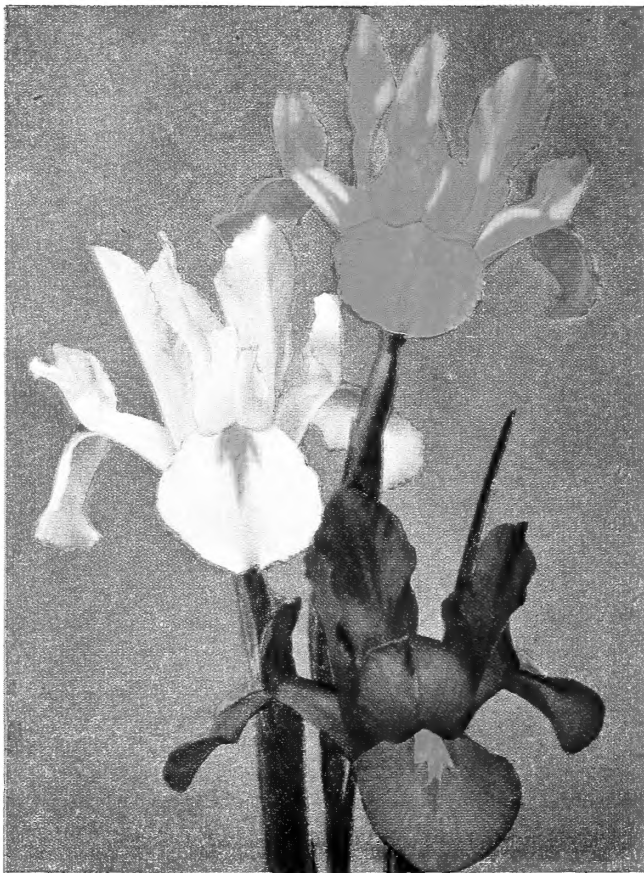
**Golden Yellow Calla** (*Calla Elliotiana*). The showy flowers are a rich golden yellow while the large bright green leaves are marked with silver. Large blooming size bulbs. 3 for \$2.20; 100 for \$14.15.

### Pink Calla

**Pink Calla.** A dainty dwarf Calla with petite flowers shaded from frosty pink to cerise. It only grows about 12 inches high and makes a most interesting pot plant. Planted in a shady spot in your garden it is certain to arouse enthusiastic comments. Illustrated at right. 1 for 55c; 3 for \$1.30; 12 for \$4.10.

**Pink Calla**

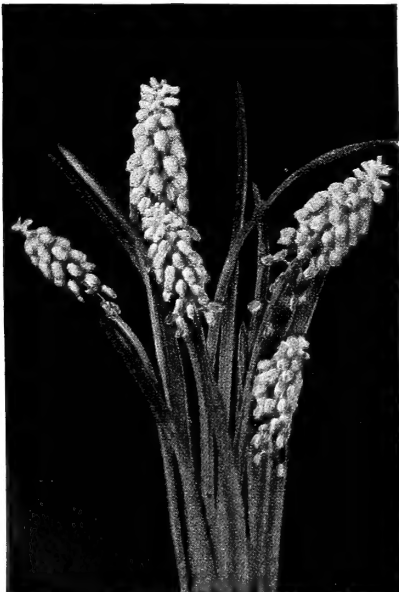




Dutch Iris Jan Nagel, White Excelsior, Blue Horizon

## Grape Hyacinth

**Muscari Heavenly Blue.** The charming little flower spikes burst into bloom early in the spring. Planted in small clumps under the edges of shrubs or trees or scattered here and there irregularly among other bulbs or perennials in part shade, they will remain for many years, the colonies growing larger all the time. The beautiful blue flowers are saturated with a persistent exquisite fragrance universally appealing. Plant 3 to 4 inches apart in part shade. 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.95; 100 for \$6.00.



Grape Hyacinth



Bleeding Heart



Mariposa Lily

All bulbs shipped at the proper planting time.

## Dutch Iris

Now, of course, Dutch Iris really are not Orchids but the shape of their blooms is somewhat similar and certainly their colors are as exquisite and as delicately blended as those of a real Orchid. These bulbous Iris are extremely easy to grow here in almost any soil, but they prefer the lighter ones. Unsurpassed as a cut flower, they last fully a week.

Not less than 6 of one variety sold at the dozen rate.

**A. Bloemaard.** Large early flowers on stems 20 inches high. Standards dark purplish blue with falls a lighter blue. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$4.65.

**Blue Horizon.** Standards broad and strong, light violet blue. Falls soft sky blue with a narrow orange stripe making a very beautiful flower. See illustration left. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$4.65.

**David Haring.** A very large pure white kind. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.35; 100 for \$4.15.

**Excelsior.** A new delightfully fragrant pure white Iris with a yellow stripe on each fall; medium growing. Illustrated left. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.35; 100 for \$4.15.

**Imperator.** Rich deep blue. The most popular late blooming variety. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$4.65.

**Jan Nagel.** A new yellow. Flowers of excellent shape. Standards and falls golden yellow. Stems average 28 inches. Illustrated at left. 12 for \$1.40; 25 for \$2.45; 100 for \$7.60.

**Wedgewood.** This splendid light blue variety is the finest of the Dutch Iris and is one of the very earliest to bloom. 12 for 85c; 25 for \$1.50; 100 for \$4.65.

**Yellow Queen.** Shades of clear yellow that blend beautifully with the blue shaded varieties. 12 for 75c; 25 for \$1.35; 100 for \$4.15.

## Five Color Dutch Iris Collection

We want you to become acquainted with the fine cut flower possibilities of Dutch Iris so we make you this attractive offer:

- 5 Dark Blue (one variety)
- 5 Light Blue (one variety)
- 5 Violet-Blue (one variety)
- 5 White (one variety)
- 5 Yellow (one variety)

All for \$1.45. For postpaid area see page 2. Ask for Offer No. 3.

## Spanish Iris - Golden Lion

**Golden Lion.** In form this lovely yellow bulbous Iris is very much like the Dutch Iris listed above except that the falls are frilled or wavy along the edges. Grows about 26 inches high and the flowers are a combination of lemon yellow on the standards and golden yellow on the falls. A really beautiful Iris of excellent form and substance. 12 for \$1.40; 25 for \$2.45; 100 for \$7.60.

## Mariposa Lily

**Calochortus.** All California nature-lovers are familiar with this gorgeous native sometimes called "Butterfly Lily". This latter name because of their individual markings and shadings which rival nature's showiest butterflies. Different colored species grow native in various parts of the West, but they all thrive here in any sunny well drained location. We offer a mixture composed of several varieties and you will get an intriguingly different yet blended color effect from them. 3 for 25c; 12 for 85c; 100 for \$5.55.



# Tecolote Freesias

## Something New in Freesias

The popularity of Freesias has increased rapidly during the last several years, but it is due to increase tremendously once the public becomes acquainted with the newer varieties. The spectacular, giant flowered Tecolote Freesias are twice the size of ordinary kinds. The delicately fragrant blooms appear so early in the spring that they are almost classed as winter flowers. These improved varieties, like the old-fashioned favorites, are easy to permanently establish in the garden.

12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.50  
Unless otherwise noted.

**Tecolote Lavender Blue.** There is just a touch of warmth to this blue which makes it distinctive. The flowers are typical of all the Tecolote Freesias in that they are extremely large and are gracefully held on the stem.

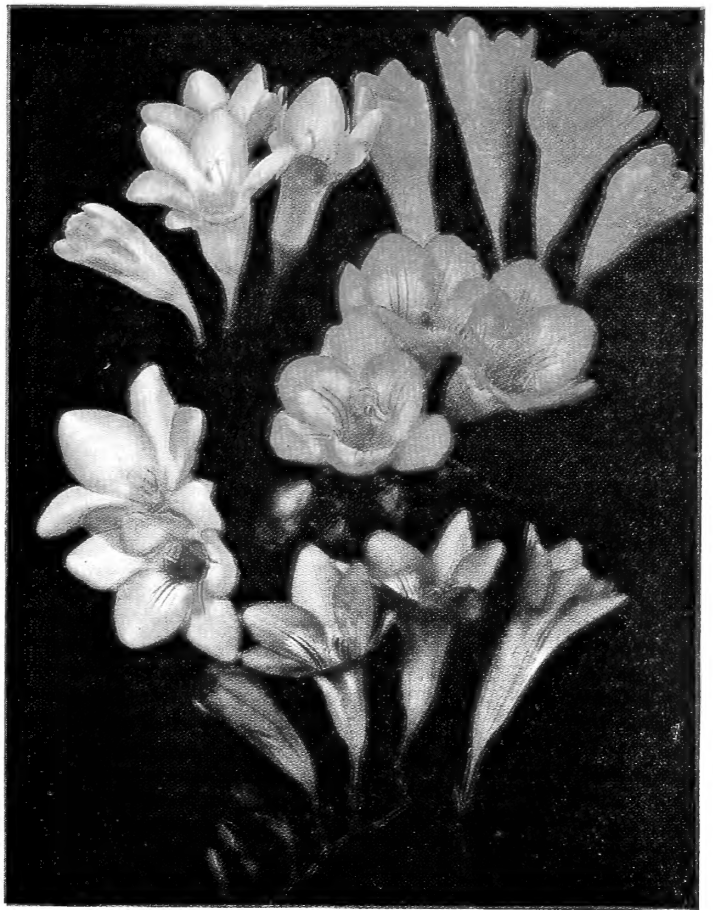
**Tecolote White.** This is the largest white Freesia there is and blooms after Purity Superflora is just about through, giving you white blooms to bring out the colors in all the other shades you plant. Freesias look well planted in mixed color groups in the foreground, and do well in either sun or part shade.

**Tecolote Red.** The large flowers, a cheerful shade of red, will brighten up your garden even if you have space for but a few bulbs.

**Tecolote Pink.** You will hardly believe that the bright pink flowers you get from bulbs of this variety are Freesias because they are approximately twice the size of the Freesias you are used to.

**Tecolote Talisman.** Plant Pat. 555. Very early flowering Freesia with large bright orange-pink flowers with rich cream throats, not unlike the coloring of a Talisman Rose. A fine addition to the Tecolote series. Showy. 12 for \$1.15; 25 for \$2.00; 100 for \$6.10.

**Tecolote Mixture.** This is a special blend of many named varieties of Freesias. This collection is the best way to get a wide variety of interesting colors. 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.50.



Freesias, Tecolote Mixture

## Bleeding Heart

**Dicentra spectabilis.** Easterners will remember the favorite plant in grandmother's garden, Bleeding Heart. The little rosy red hearts hang gracefully from long curved sprays and "bleed" white petals. The foliage is the most beautiful produced by any bulbous plant. Bulbs ready after October 15. \$1.05 each; 3 for \$2.60; 12 for \$8.20.

## Lilies

**Lilium candidum "Madonna Lily".** From antiquity with a long and romantic history comes the Madonna Lily. It has been St. Joseph's Lily, Annunciation Lily, Lily of the Bourbons, Lent Lily, Easter Lily and others but Madonna describes its pure white beauty more accurately. It will be the first Lily to bloom in your garden. 70c each; 3 for \$1.65; 12 for \$5.20.

**Lilium pardalinum giganteum.** A California native hybrid Lily producing stems up to 7 feet tall, and the gigantic blooms are orange-yellow, spotted maroon and blended into a rich bronzy shade of orange-red at the tip. Illustrated, left. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$2.80.

## Regal Lily

**Lilium regale.** The Regal Lily, introduced from China but a few years ago, is probably the most satisfactory and popular Lily for the entire Pacific Coast. The strain we offer is domestic grown and free from any virus infection. The flowers (see illustration at right) are borne in great clusters on 4-foot stems, offering a magnificent spectacle in June and July. 30c each; 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.20.



Lilium pardalinum giganteum



Regal Lily



**Tecolote Ranunculus**

Invest \$2.00 in Armstrong  
Ranunculus Bulbs and cut over  
1,000 gorgeous blooms.



**Sparaxis Hybrids**

## "Tecolote" Ranunculus

Ranunculus are among the gayest, cheeriest and most brightly colored of all flowers, and they do particularly well in California. They are extremely effective when planted in beds and are ideal for cut flowers for they bloom profusely and keep for several days after cutting. During late February, March and early April some of the most beautiful beds of flowers that can be grown in California are those of well grown Ranunculus.

The strain of Ranunculus that we offer will, if properly grown, be almost 100% double. To get the largest proportion of double flowers the tubers should be planted as soon as possible after October 1. Ranunculus should be planted in full sunshine 4 or 5 inches apart.

### Armstrong Giant

**Armstrong Giant Mixed.** There are many strains of Ranunculus but we believe that this particular blended strain is as fine as can be obtained. Developed here in Southern California; improved over the years by careful selection; now almost all of the flowers are fully double. The magnificent colors include almost every possible combination of white, yellow, rich shades of orange, rose, salmon, red-scarlet down to the darkest crimson. A bed of them will give an amazing show of color and there is no finer cut flower for the house. We recommend the No. 1 size as offering the best value. No. 2 size bulbs give satisfactory bloom.

Jumbo size, 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.60; 100 for \$8.05.

No. 1, 12 for 80c; 25 for \$1.40; 100 for \$4.30.

No. 2, 12 for 55c; 25 for 95c; 100 for \$2.95.

### Pink Shades

**New Pink Shades.** The varying shades in this new, large, very double strain blend perfectly. You can cut light pinks and deep rosy pinks and get a beautiful effect by grouping them in your flower arrangement. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

### The New Clear White

**Clear White.** No garden is complete without white flowers for cutting. We have recently introduced this new strain with its fine flowers of clear white on long stems. It will accent the other flower colors in your garden and will be one of your favorite cut flowers. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

### Orange Shades

**Orange.** A fine new color strain producing blooms 90% of which will be slightly varying shades of orange. Beds of this spectacular selection drew most compliments from the propagation field visitors. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

### Red Shades

**Red.** Nothing but brilliant shades of red will be found in this selected strain from which all other colors have been removed. Practically all double flowered and long stemmed. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

### California Golden Ranunculus

**Improved Gold.** An extraordinary giant-flowered golden double and semi-double type from which all other colors have been removed. Undoubtedly the finest thing in Ranunculus today. Just glorious flowers of a dazzling golden yellow. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

## Harlequin Flower

The Sparaxis are similar to the Ixias in growth but slightly taller and produce their gaily colored flowers in April on 18 to 24 inch stems, splashed and mottled in a great variety of contrasting and brilliant colors. Plant in full sun, 3 to 4 inches apart.

**Sparaxis Hybrids.** Nature went in for brilliant art shades and combinations when she produced this large flowered strain of Sparaxis which blooms earlier than the ordinary type and presents beautiful mixtures in orange, scarlet, salmon, yellow, cream, crimson, pink and lavender. The majority of the flowers are marked with lilac and black, although some are clear colors with no markings. The flowers are exceptionally large, many of them 3 inches in diameter, and you will have a great time picking out the ones you like best for no two are alike. See illustration at left. 12 for \$1.15; 25 for \$1.95; 100 for \$6.10.

# Armstrong Anemones

These poppy-like garden flowers with their brilliant hues of blue, rose, crimson and scarlet, grow from 8 to 12 inches high and prefer full sunshine. Planted in masses (6 to 9 inches apart) they are most effective and they make splendid cut flowers to mix with Ranunculus since Ranunculus lack the blue shades and the Anemones lack the yellow shades.

Plant any time from October to March. They bloom in early or late spring, depending on when they are planted.

## Red, White and Blue

Plant a red, white and blue border of Anemones. The solid masses of color adjoining each other will give a spectacularly beautiful landscape effect.

**His Excellency.** Great 3 inch flowers of vivid, dazzling scarlet with a silver-white base. One of the showiest of all Anemones. No. 1 bulbs, 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

**The Bride.** This pure white strain was offered for the first time two years ago. Our customers have been well pleased with it as it is exceptionally nice for mixing with reds and blues. Ideal for cut flower arrangements. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

**Blue Poppy.** A marvelous selection of white centered identical blue flowers. Outstandingly effective when planted together or with the red His Excellency, and the white one. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

**Anemone St. Brigid.** This double and semi-double strain was very popular among those who visited the growing fields last summer. Many showy colors are present in the mixture. The blooms are excellent for bright graceful bouquets. 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

## Glory of the Sun

**Leucocoryne ixioides odorata.** This new bulbous flowering plant called "Glory of the Sun" was introduced but recently from the wilds of Chile and the bulbs are still scarce. The blooms are borne in clusters in the spring on a 15-inch stem, and the color is a delightful heavenly blue, with a white throat and striking golden stamens. The flowers are delicately sweet-scented, and have the ability to keep in water as a cut flower for ten days.

Our jumbo size bulbs should produce at least three flower spikes to the bulb and the No. 1 bulbs at least two spikes the first season. Illustrated below.

Jumbos, 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.30; 100 for \$14.80.

No. 1, 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.55; 100 for \$9.90.



**Leucocoryne ixioides odorata**

## Monarch De Caen

**Monarch de Caen.** The most famous of all Anemone strains. The giant long-stemmed, single, saucer-shaped flowers include a great variety of dazzling shades of rose, red, blue, purple and lavender. Our No. 1 grade is our best seller. However, the exceptionally fine Jumbo bulbs are well worth the additional amount asked, and the No. 2 bulbs are satisfactory.

**Jumbo,** 12 for \$1.40; 25 for \$2.45; 100 for \$7.60.

**No. 1,** 12 for \$1.05; 25 for \$1.80; 100 for \$5.65.

**No. 2,** 12 for 55c; 25 for 95c; 100 for \$2.95.

**NOTE:** Plant Ranunculus and Anemones as early as possible in the fall. They will give larger and better flowers if planted early.

## Terrestrial Orchid

**Bletilla hyacinthina.** The interesting miniature orchid-like, amethyst colored flowers are borne freely above the large bright green plaited leaves. The bloom stems are 12 to 15 inches high and each stem holds aloft from 3 to 5 exquisite little blooms that when cut make fine small vase arrangements or ideal corsages. Unexact in its requirements it thrives in a semi-shady spot in average soil. Once established and given plenty of water the clumps spread quickly and cold weather bothers them not at all. 80c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.35.



**Terrestrial Orchid (Bletilla)**



**Anemone Monarch de Caen**



"Tecolote" Baby Gladiolus

### Baby Gladiolus

These are the dainty graceful "Orchid Gladiolus" and are entirely different from the common garden Gladiolus. The sturdy 18-inch spikes are crowded with blooms which are bright clear shades of red, orange, pink and lavender, and each graceful petal has a distinctive, vividly colored diamond marking. The way the blooms face on the individual stems it is no trick to arrange them in graceful bouquets. Each spike seems to have an easily recognized front and back side. Plant them 3 or 4 inches apart in a sunny place. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.35; 100 for \$8.55.

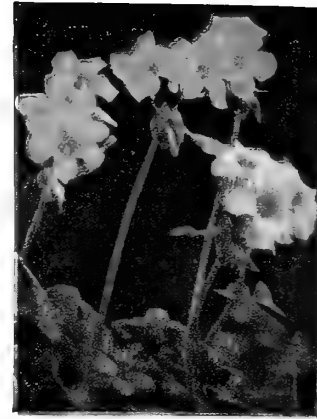
### Ixias

Each winter we enjoy the brilliantly colorful beds in our neighborhood which are permanently planted to the petite winter-flowering Ixias. Some unchanged for 10 years. It is one of the few flowers in which the metallic shades of green and bronze appear. They are low growing and ideal for mass planting or borders. Plant them in your sunniest place.

**Mixed Colors.** Blues, purples, yellows and intense scarlet, carmine and cerise are combined in contrasting shades. (Illustrated above.) 12 for \$1.15; 25 for \$2.00; 100 for \$6.25.



Ixias



Oxalis

### Star of Bethlehem

Ornithogalums are especially valuable for naturalizing. Planted in groups of two or more in front of your shrubbery, they will make permanent clumps in either sun or part shade.

**Ornithogalum arabicum.** The old favorite "Star of Bethlehem" has been somewhat neglected in recent years but is now coming back because of the fact that so many planters have seen it at Easter time in older gardens where it was planted many years ago, still thriving vigorously and sending up its large umbels of pure white flowers with jet-black centers. Like all Ornithogalums, it is an exceptionally fine cut flower, keeping for weeks and even months after cutting. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.25; 100 for \$8.20.

### South African Gold Star

**Ornithogalum aureum.** The white-flowered forms of the South African Ornithogalum have long been admired, but one of the finest members of the tribe is this spectacular variety with apricot-orange flowers. The flower stems which appear in late spring are usually over a foot tall. As a cut flower it is an amazing success; the flowers keep for more than a month and each bulb produces several flower stalks. Easily grown in any sunny spot in a California garden, or may be grown as a pot plant. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

### Double Ornithogalum

**Ornithogalum thysioides Double.** The latest novelty in Ornithogalums is this double-flowered form of the South African Chinchinchee. The strong bulbs send up 24 to 36-inch stems crowned with a pyramidal-shaped, tight flower spike, which opens up to large individual pure white flowers. The entire effect is somewhat similar to a very fine double tube-rose. A splendid cut flower. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.35; 100 for \$8.80.



Ornithogalum aureum

## New Giant Flowered Oxalis

Have you tried the new Oxalis kinds? They all produce an almost unbelievable quantity of buttercup-like flowers and multiply rapidly in the garden. Bermuda Buttercup is a fine clear yellow and the Grand Duchess varieties produce extra large pink and lavender flowers. All three varieties have that typical emerald-green shamrock foliage. You can plant them anywhere (in sun or shade) that you want a neat, compact, clover-like clump and they will permanently thrive. Illustrated page 10. Please select colors you want from above three kinds. 12 for 70c; 25 for \$1.20; 100 for \$3.70.

## Guernsey Lily

*Nerine sarniensis*. Our scarlet strain of the famous Guernsey Lily produces in late summer big heads of bloom on strong 18-inch stems. In each head there are from 10 to 20 bright crimson flowers measuring 1½ inches across. Fine for outdoor growing in Southern California. Elsewhere it makes an ideal pot plant. 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.45; 100 for \$16.05.

## Spring Snowflakes

A dainty and easily grown spring flower which thrives anywhere in the garden. The vigorous foliage is like that of a daffodil and the exquisite little nodding flowers on 12-inch stems are pure white with a dot of green on each petal. They form large clumps when left for several years and make an exquisitely beautiful bit of spring color. 12 for \$1.75; 25 for \$3.00; 100 for \$9.50.



Spring Snowflakes (*Leucojum vernum*)



Transvaal Daisies (Gerberas)

## Transvaal Daisies (Gerberas)

*Gerberas (Jamesonii Hybrid)*. The graceful shape and the delicate rainbow hues of their blooms which are borne on stout yet dainty stems, coupled with excellent keeping qualities, make these an ideal cut flower. We offer a very select strain of giant single flowers in a well balanced color assortment which includes pink, salmon, white, red, yellow, and orange shades. During the fall and winter Gerberas are available in bare root divisions. This method of handling them is ideal for the plants and makes it possible for us to quote you extremely low prices. Mixed colors only. Husky divisions, 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.40; 100 for \$15.80.

## Shipping Time

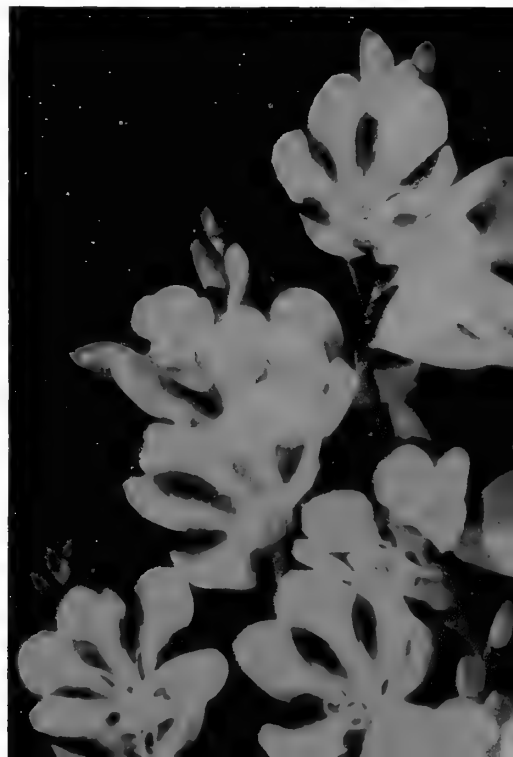
All bulbs are not ready for shipment at the same time. Some are ready in September, others not until October or November. We will ship all bulbs as soon as ready after your order is received. This may mean two or three shipments.

## Flame Freesia

### Flame Freesia

*Tritonia crocata* "Prince of Orange". No plant can produce a more vivid spot of color than this small native of South Africa. Brilliant orange heads of dainty Freesia-like flowers are carried on slender 12 to 18 inch stems. It thrives in our Southern California climate where it naturalizes readily. Established in your garden it will continue to thrill you each spring with its flaming masses of color. (Illustrated right.) 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.70; 100 for \$5.40.

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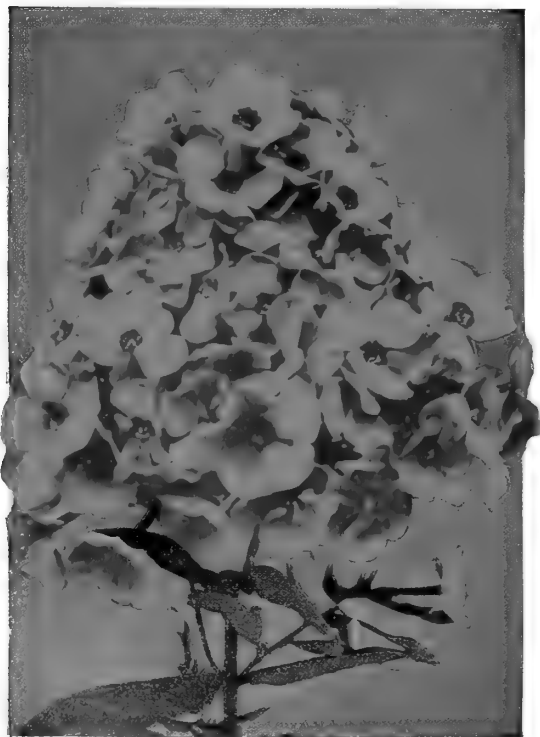


Watsonia Hybrids

## Perennial Phlox

**Phlox descussata.** Hardy perennial phlox are most effective in adding color to the summer and fall garden landscape. They grow quickly and easily and never fail to produce enormous quantities of their bright colored flower heads. We have carefully selected a vari-colored group with an excellent color range.

- Daily Sketch.** Pink with rose eye.
  - Leo Schlageter.** Orange-scarlet. Pictured below.
  - Lillian.** Rose-red.
  - Morgenrood.** Rose-pink, scarlet eye.
  - Salmon Beauty.** Flame pink and salmon.
  - Beacon.** Brilliant cherry-red.
  - Mrs. Chas. Door.** Pale lavender.
  - Mrs. Jenkins.** Pure white.
  - Rijnstroom.** Rose-pink.
  - Von Hockberg.** Brilliant red.
- Above varieties, 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.



Phlox Leo Schlageter

## Hybrid Watsonias

### Mrs. Bullard's Hybrids

These new hybrids have become a sensation over night because of their large blooms which are beautifully marked and shaded in combinations of scarlet, pink, salmon, white and orchid. The bloom spikes which start coming early in the spring are tall, graceful, somewhat similar to a Gladiolus bloom, but they are a more lasting cut flower as they open out over a longer period. The bulbs make practically evergreen permanent clumps which produce blooms freely in any sunny or semi-shaded spot in the garden with little or no attention.

All varieties below: 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.45; 100 for \$9.30.

- Early Pink.** Clear soft pink. Blooms very early.
- Edward Sturdevant.** Well-shaped, bright orange-scarlet flowers.
- Eunice.** A live flesh-pink shaded salmon.
- Fuchsia.** Fuchsia-rose in color.
- Lillian Benner.** A fascinating clear lavender-orchid shade.
- Mrs. Bullard's White.** A new and improved, large, pure white.
- Victory.** Coral-pink with scarlet shadings.

## Bearded Iris

One of the easiest of all perennial plants to grow and sure to give satisfaction even with a minimum of care. The more improved varieties such as we offer below are amazingly beautiful in their colorings and in the size of the blooms. The kinds that we offer include those of the most outstanding merit only.

**Airy Dream.** One of the best pink bearded iris. Tall stems, clear pink flowers. 30c each; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.60.

**Alice Harding.** Large primrose-yellow; beautifully rounded flowers harmonize with all colors in the garden. 1 for 30c; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.60.

**Alta California.** Tall, slightly bronzed yellow, much used in landscaping. 30c each; 3 for 75c; 12 for \$2.60.

**Blue Gown.** One of the taller growing Irises, usually attaining a height of around 4 to 5 feet. Very deep blue, exceptionally large. 40c each; 3 for \$1.05; 12 for \$3.60.

**China Maid.** The large, well-proportioned flowers are carried on tall, graceful stems. The color is an intriguing blend of pink, golden bronze and soft lilac. \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00.

**Desirable.** One of the newer Plicatas. Large white flowers heavily marked with a bright purple. The contrast is very pronounced. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50.

**Easter Morn.** One of the finest. A warm white with sparkle and sheen and a glowing center making each flower glisten. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Fair Enough.** Medium blue-toned with broad, crisp, sparkling petals. Perfectly branched stems 4 feet tall. One of the earliest to flower in the spring and still in bloom in the fall after most others are through. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Happy Days.** Giant clear yellow flowers, often 7 inches from top to bottom are produced 7 or 8 to each sturdy stalk. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Indian Chief.** Bronzy-violet standards with falls of carmine. An outstanding red. 3 feet. Illustrated, right. 1 for 25c; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00.

**Lucre.** This is the deepest yellow it is possible to produce. A very prolific bloomer. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Pale Moonlight.** One of the finest light blues. Tall, sturdy stems. The standards 4 inches high; the falls slightly flaring, 4 inches long; beard bright orange. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Shining Waters.** Large symmetrical, smooth-textured flowers the color of clear blue western skies. 4 ft. 45c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00.

**Tenaya.** A most satisfactory garden Iris. The color is a blackish reddish-purple. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.00.

**Gold Nugget.** Beardless Iris. Excellent for cutting and blooms after the Bearded Iris. Plant in full sun but give it plenty of water. 50c each; 3 for \$1.35; 12 for \$4.80.

**Mixed Bearded Iris.** A collection of many different named kinds of Bearded Iris in dozens of different colors. No poor kinds included. Every flower will be exceptionally beautiful, and you'll get many surprise packages. 10 for \$3.50.



Bearded Iris Indian Chief

# Armstrong Gladiolus

The gladiolus listed below include only those better selections which fanciers include in their gardens. We know you will be pleased with the large, high-crowned No. 1 bulbs which we send and the low prices cannot help but tempt you to order generously for your garden.

Our bulbs are all southern grown under conditions favorable to planting in the garden. All are treated with Methyl bromide to be certain the bulbs will be free of thrip. Bulbs will be ready Nov. 1.

**Albatross.** A fine pure white exhibition variety with 6 to 8 large flowers open at one time. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$7.15.

**Beacon.** One of the tallest and most brilliant in color. Eight or more florets open at once on very long spikes. Bright scarlet with creamy throat. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Bagdad.** Smoky old rose, deeper toward the edge of petals and lighter in the throat. The outer petals have a faint creamy blotch, marked with penciling of begonia rose. A very large, fine variety. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$7.15.

**Dr. F. E. Bennett.** A real scarlet-red hard to beat. The blooms are a particularly fine shade of flame-scarlet. Many flowers are open at one time. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**La Fiesta.** It is hard to describe this highly colored gladiolus. The rich orange shades are overlaid with yellow splashing. Blooms mid-season, flowers are well spaced and is a tall, vigorous grower. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.45; 100 for \$8.35.

**Gold Eagle.** Each tall spike on this vigorous variety is loaded with lasting flowers of topaz yellow. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Leona.** A very tall strong grower with many florets open at one time. The color is a rich shade of rose-red, something that is decidedly different. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$7.15.

**Maid of Orleans.** A very popular dainty white with a creamy throat. The flowers are well shaped and are borne on tall, strong spikes. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Margaret Fulton.** An early blooming popular commercial variety; deep salmon-pink lighter at the throat—opens 6 to 7 florets at one time and keeps very well. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Paradise.** Clear apricot, opening 6 to 7 florets at one time. A tall, straight grower with spikes of perfectly placed flowers. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Pelegrina.** Rich deep violet-blue with a darker blue blotch in the throat. Excellent for cutting. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Picardy.** By far the most popular of all Gladiolus. The color is a soft glowing flesh-pink, the flowers unusually large, and one of the finest for cutting. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Red Phipps.** Deep red in the bud, changing to a brilliant bright red as the flowers open. A clear vivid shade which is hard to get in Gladiolus. 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

**Rapture.** An excellent salmon-pink and cream gladiolus, many flowers open at one time. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$7.15.

**Mixed Gladiolus.** In this mixture we use only the large jumbo bulbs taken from our regular stock of the varieties listed above. 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.75; 100 for \$5.95.

## Five New Kinds

For those who want the outstanding newer varieties, we offer the following collection consisting of 3 each of the following named varieties, which includes an excellent white, purple, rose-pink, rich red and a scarlet:

**Algonquin.** One of the finest of the new reds. A rich medium shade of red with excellently shaped flowers.

**King Lear.** Exceptionally large flowers, beautifully ruffled, of a deep, rich velvety purple. One of the finest of the darker Gladiolus.

**Margaret Beaton.** Here is a gladiolus with unusual character. Each tall straight spike is loaded with blooms. Seven or eight perfectly formed, large, pure white flowers are open at one time, revealing a feathery splash of vivid carmine. There is no other gladiolus with its particular charm.

**Sensation.** A big, handsome, clear, soft rose-pink variety shading to lighter pink in the throat. A strong, tall grower with many open blooms.

**Valerie.** A fine new introduction, the color being a soft scarlet, almost salmon. A distinct color greatly desired. The blooms are large and it has unusually long flower spikes.

Due to the limited number of bulbs available in these varieties, we will sell as a collection only. Three each of the above named kinds (15 bulbs in all), **Collection No. 4, \$4.00.** Postpaid to California, Arizona, Nevada.

## Special Gladiolus Collection

Six bulbs of each of the eight famous varieties listed below. Think of the baskets full of cut blooms you will get from these 48 bulbs and the color they will bring into your garden. The varieties included are:

**Beacon**—Scarlet

**Gold Eagle**—Yellow.

**Maid of Orleans**—White.

**Margaret Fulton**—Salmon-pink.

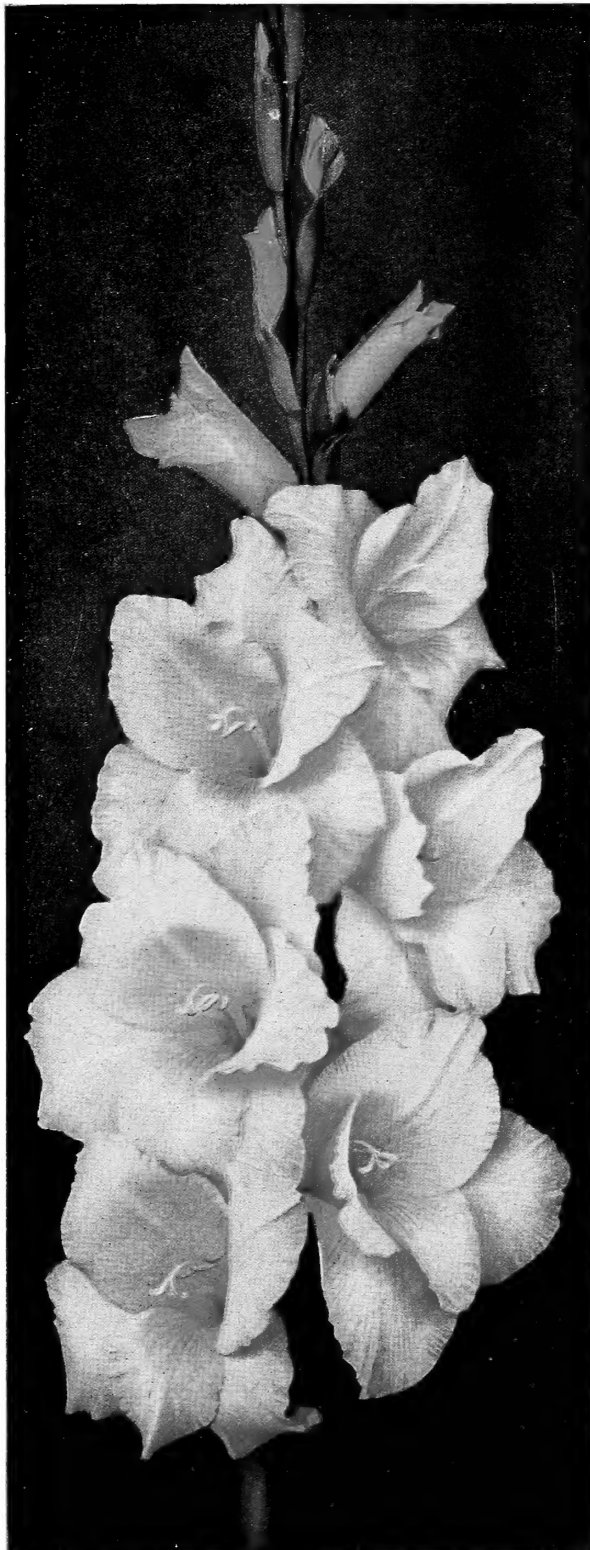
**Paradise**—Clear apricot.

**Pelegrina**—Blue.

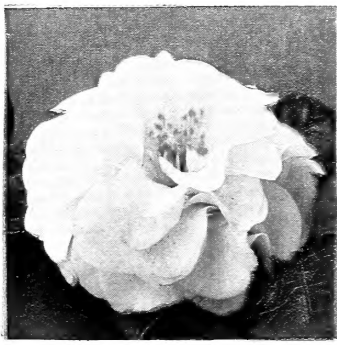
**Rapture**—Salmon-pink and cream.

**Red Phipps**—Red.

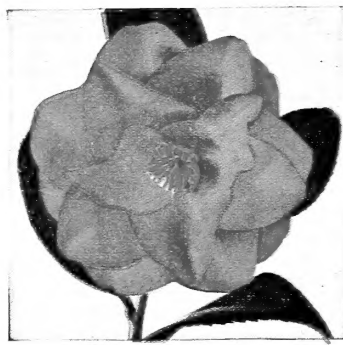
Ask for collection No. 5, \$4.25, postpaid to California, Arizona, Nevada.



Picardy



**Purity**



**Lady Vansittart**

# CORNERSTONE CAMELLIA COLLECTION



**Colonel Firey**

Camellias are the most beautiful winter flower for the Pacific Coast. To be successful with Camellias, you must get a good start. Armstrong Camellias have Armstrong Quality and it makes a big difference. Visit our display yards, see them in bloom (December through March) and see for yourself why Armstrong Camellias are the best.

Four of the finest Camellia varieties in existence, carefully selected to make a Camellia enthusiast out of you. After you have seen how easy it is to grow Armstrong Camellia plants in your garden and have picked a few of those perfect, matchless blooms for corsages and for your table, we believe that you'll want more Camellias to enjoy. These four outstanding kinds, each in a different shape and color, will make the cornerstone for your Camellia planting.

**Colonel Firey.** Its glowing, rich crimson flowers, many-petaled, broad and perfectly formed, are right at the top in red Camellias. The somewhat dwarf plant sets dozens of the magnificent red blooms.

**Pink Perfection.** Th's beautiful, soft shell-pink is doubtless the best known and liked of all Camellias because of its dainty color and perfect, symmetrical flower form. A vigorous plant which blooms from Thanksgiving on through the winter.

**Purity.** Its name describes it. Symmetrical, exquisitely formed, double, snowy white flowers of large size.

**Lady Vansittart.** Three rows of broad, wavy-edged petals of vivid deep pink, symmetrically arranged. The glossy, wavy foliage is the most beautiful on any Camellia plant.

Four sturdy plants, one of each, in gal. tins, an \$8.75 value, for \$6.25. Add 50c for delivery within 60 miles of Ontario. Shipped to all other points by express. Expressman will collect transportation costs. Ask for "Cornerstone" Camellia Collection No. 6. Shipment made immediately.

## The New Striped Camellia

**Anita.** The most spectacular and beautiful of all the striped Camellias. Medium-sized, high-centered flowers with four rows of big petals of light pink, boldly striped with deeper pink or carmine. Extremely striking and showy. 5-gal. tins, 1½-2 ft., \$7.50.

## Gift Collections

The three great Camellia plants included in our "Three Queens" Offer (or the four in our "Cornerstone" Collection above) make a wonderful Christmas gift for your gardening friends. We'll ship them anywhere to arrive whenever you say.

## "The Three Queens"

If you would like to have the highest royalty of the Camellia family holding Court in your garden, these three majestic beauties will give you that pleasure. The finest of their type and color, they will give you great quantities of the largest, most perfect Camellia flowers that can be grown.

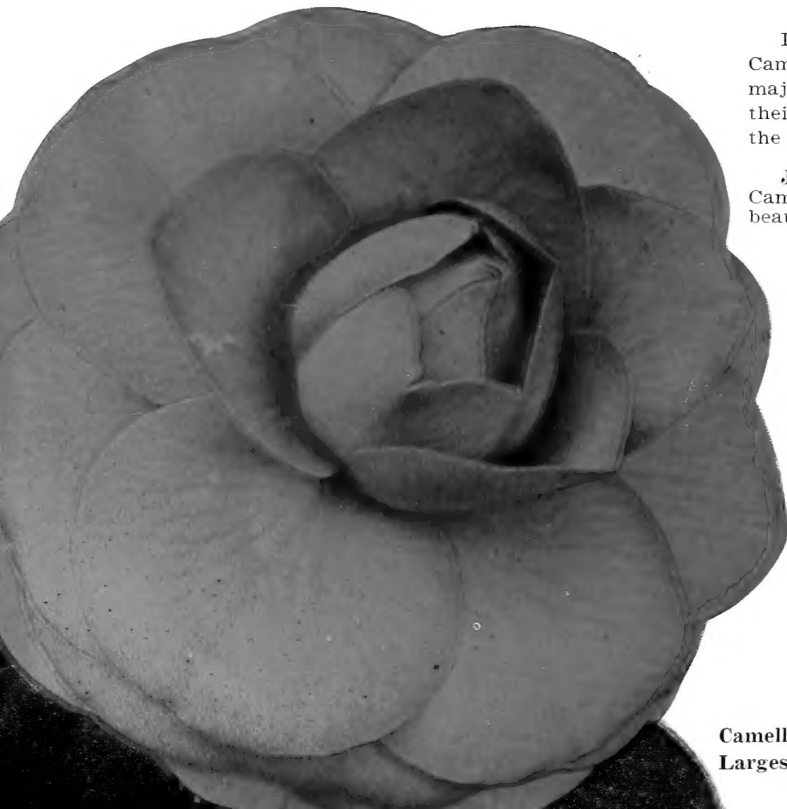
**Julia Drayton.** This is the largest flowered of our many Camellia kinds. The huge, symmetrically arranged petals, beautifully veined and textured, are a uniform shade of brilliant scarlet, occasionally with slight white markings. Very double, high-centered, its bright color and enormous size make it one of the most spectacular and magnificent of all Camellias.

**Alba Plena.** This best of the pure white kinds has giant, fully-double flowers, with many imbricated petals which always open perfectly. Has long been acclaimed as the perfect white Camellia.

**Elegans (Chandleri).** Tremendous, 7-inch, rose-pink flowers, lightly splashed with white. The spectacular peony-shaped blooms are borne in amazing numbers on the dwarf, compact plant even when it is very young.

Three sturdy plants in gal. tins (one of each), a \$9.00 value for \$6.25.

Add 50c for delivery within 60 miles of Ontario. Shipped to all other points by express with transportation charges collect. Ask for "Three Queens" Camellia Offer No. 7. Shipment made immediately or whenever you specify.



**Camellia Julia Drayton**  
Largest of the red Camellias.





Tom Thumb Roses, actual size

Tom Thumb and Pixie Roses bloom continuously from early spring until late fall and can be grown either in the ground or in pots.

### Pert Little Pixies

**Pixie.** A perfect little rose bush, carrying the daintiest little white rose buds in the world. Fully double, perfectly formed and so small that you could put a whole bouquet of them in a vase but one inch high. When fully open the little flowers, crowded with minute petals, look like dainty white buttons. Buds and open flowers often show delicate tints of pink, adding to their loveliness. The tiny lace-like foliage keeps the plants good looking, and they bloom continuously. Plant Pat. No. 408. 4-inch pot size, 3 for \$2.25.

**Tom Thumb.** Pretty little deep red blooms on a miniature 6 to 8-inch plant. Blooms continuously from early spring to late fall. Plant Pat. No. 169. 4-inch pot size, 3 for \$2.25.

On all mail orders for miniature roses, please add 15c per plant for packing and postage to California, Arizona and Nevada; 25c per plant to other states west of the Mississippi; 85c per plant east of the Mississippi.

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## Dwarf Rose Offer

The miniature roses, Pixie and Tom Thumb, are the most interesting and unique little rose plants that you have ever seen. Growing only a few inches high (8 or 9 inches), with perfect little rose buds and flowers, blooming all season and with dainty, lacy foliage in proportion, they'll give you lots of pleasure. Put them where you can observe their loveliness every day.

**Dwarf Rose Offer No. 146:** 2 plants of Pixie and 1 plant of Tom Thumb (see descriptions below), from 4-inch pots, for the special price of \$2.25 (plus 6c sales tax in California). If you cannot pick plants up at one of our salesyards, we'll mail, anywhere in California, for \$2.31 plus 50c for packing and postage, a total of \$2.81. Mailed to other states west of the Mississippi for \$2.95; east of the Mississippi for \$3.15. In mailing, plants are taken from pots and wrapped. Plants ready for immediate shipment.



Pixie, the tiniest Rose

## Special Azalea Gift Offer

Here is a chance to give your friends three of the most beautiful Azaleas that can be grown, each plant full of plump flower buds, ready to make a glorious burst of color next spring. Planted now, in the fall, they'll bloom beautifully and make a permanent addition to your garden. Cultural instructions go with every shipment.

The Azalea Rutherfordiana are the finest Azaleas for the Pacific Coast. The flowers are very large, long-lasting, and the handsomely foliaged plants are smothered with blooms every spring. Plant Patent No. 145, 146 and 147.

**Special Azalea Offer No. 8** consists of one plant each of three splendid varieties of the new Azalea Rutherfordiana:

**Albion.** Fragrant, pure white, semi-double flowers.

**Constance.** Deep lavender-pink, creamy white in the center.

**Firelight.** Glowing light crimson. Semi-double. An early bloomer.

One plant each of the above three Azaleas, in 6-inch pots, blooming size, for \$6.25. Delivered within 60 miles of Ontario for 50c additional; elsewhere 10% packing charge, shipped by express, transportation charges collect.

## Two Glorious Rutherfordianas

**L. J. Bobbink.** Big, fragrant, semi-double blooms of orchid-lavender. 6-inch pots, \$2.25.

**Purity.** Beautiful, large pure white, with two rows of petals. 6-inch pots, \$2.25.

## Indian Azaleas

The famous Azalea gardens in the Southern States have been made famous by the gorgeous, large-flowered Indian Azaleas which will grow just as well in California as they do in the Old South. The huge blooms, while not borne as profusely as on the Rutherfordiana Azaleas, are extremely large and showy, becoming 3 and 4 inches across and showing off well against the handsome evergreen foliage. Plants grow 3 to 5 feet high.

Prices: All varieties below in 6-inch pots, \$2.25.

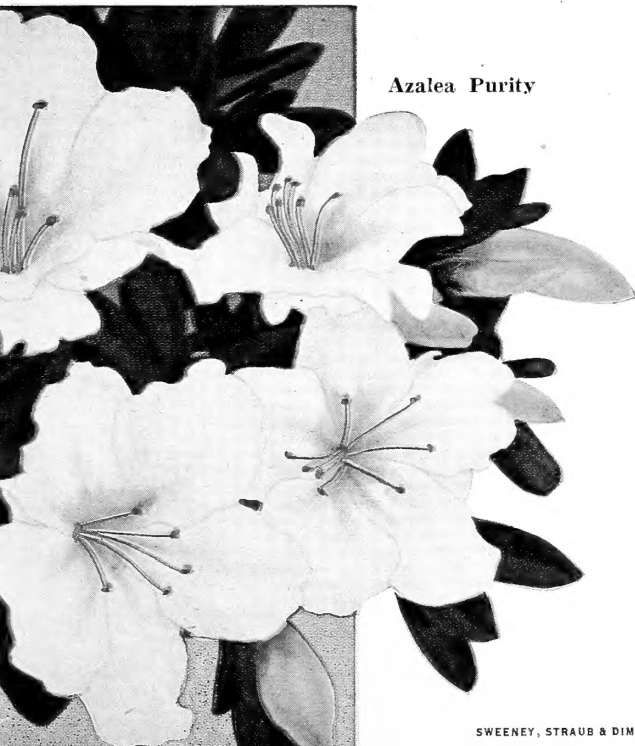
**Mme. Petrick Superba.** Gorgeous big blooms striped white and rose.

**Van der Cruyssen.** 3-inch flowers of clear salmon-pink, with crimson marks in the throat.

**Paul Schame.** Rich deep salmon-orange.

**Pride of Mobile.** Large, single, watermelon-pink with deep crimson markings.

## Azalea L. J. Bobbink



Azalea Purity





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# Mirandy

**Top All-America Rose  
Winner for 1945**

Plant Patent No. 632



In the nation-wide competition among the best new roses of the year conducted by All-America Rose Selections, Mirandy was given the highest score by the official judges after a two-year test, and was named the First Place All-America Winner for 1945. No rose can attain that honor without having superlative qualities.

## 1945's Best

The new Armstrong rose creation, Mirandy, is the first place winner of the country-wide All-America rose competition for 1945. It is a gorgeous fragrant red rose that takes its place with the finest red roses of the world. The big, ovoid buds, often long-pointed, are deep, rich, dark red with black shadings, opening to a rich Chrysanthemum Red, exactly the radiant glowing color that the perfect rose should have.

## Lovely Form

The flower displays new beauties of form as the petals unfold, and eventually become a huge full bloom (50 petals), which lasts a long while. Strangely enough for a red rose, it is usually at its best, with the finest form and richest coloring, in warm weather. As the flower ages it does not turn blue like so many red roses, but becomes a gorgeous soft violet—a hue never before seen in red roses.

## Big Strong Plant

The plant is strong, free-branching, with heavy, stout stems, keeps producing the glorious buds freely all season, and is continuously covered with broad, dark green, heavy-textured foliage. Mirandy has a wonderful, penetrating, damask fragrance which many will say is the finest rose fragrance they have ever inhaled.

Mirandy is a rose of beauty, dignity and glamorous coloring that draws admiration from the time its superb dark red buds unfold until the last perfumed petal drops.

## Marvelously Fragrant

The fragrance of Mirandy is so full-bodied and delicious that we cannot find the adjectives to do it justice. All we can say is that when you dip your nose into the first beautiful, big, red bloom that appears in your garden and inhale deeply, you'll say, "Ah-h-h-h", with pleasurable amazement, just like everybody else does, and carry the flower around with you so you can continue to sniff its pleasant aroma.

Like every other rose, Mirandy has a few faults, too, but those minor faults are far outweighed by its extraordinary good qualities.

## Plants Ready Dec. 15

Plants of Mirandy will be ready for planting Dec. 15, 1944, and will be mailed at that time unless you give us a later shipping date. They'll arrive in time for Christmas and will make an ideal Christmas gift. (If you want them packed as a Christmas gift, please specify on your order.)

Price: \$2.50 each, 3 for \$6.75. Add 10c postage for each package mailed to California, Arizona and Nevada; 20c per package to other states west of the Mississippi; 30c to states east of the Mississippi.