

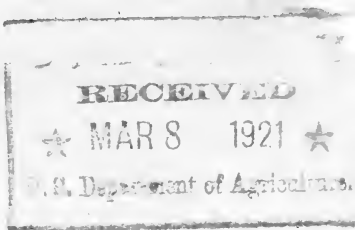
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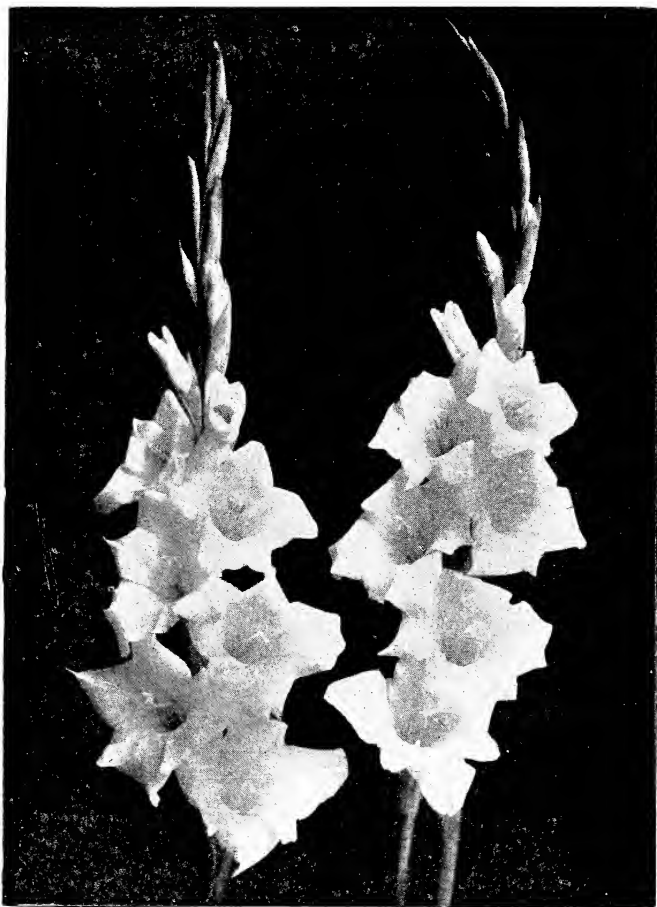
Catalog of

Gladioli

GOLD, SILVER AND BRONZE
MEDALS—1916-1919

THE GLADIOLUS

The Crowning Splendor
OF
THE GARDEN



LILYWHITE

H. E. MEADER
DOVER, N. H.

**Breeder and Grower of the World's Most
Beautiful Orchid-Flowering Gladioli**

CHARTER MEMBER
AMERICAN GLADIOLUS SOCIETY

**H. E. MEADER'S
GLADIOLI**

WERE

Awarded First Prizes

AT

Convention of Society of American
Florists, Mechanics Hall,
Boston, Mass.
1914

American Gladiolus Society's Show,
The Casino, Newport, R. I.
1915

Massachusetts Horticultural Society,
Gladiolus Exhibition,
Horticultural Hall, Boston, Mass.
1916—1917

Newport Horticultural Society and
Newport Garden Club,
Newport, R. I.
1916

New York Horticultural Society,
Bronx Park, New York City.
1917

Massachusetts Horticultural Society,
Annual Gladiolus Show,
Ten First Prizes and
Kunderd Gold Medal.
1918

American Gladiolus Society's Show,
Convention of Soc. American Florists,
Detroit, Mich.
Bronze Medal and ten Awards.

Also over 150 Awards, Blue Ribbons,
etc., at various other shows,
seasons of 1912—1919.

The Gladiolus

Queen of Summer

Where can be found its equal? The easiest flower to grow and lasts by far the longest when cut. Covering an unequaled range of color, from delicate tints of white, pink, yellow, and lavender to the brightest blood-red scarlets, deep purple, and richest dark crimson shades, in hundreds of distinct varieties, the cream of the giant-flowering sorts.

To gaze upon a group of these regal flowers is to admire them. They compel attention. The intense, glowing hues of the more brilliant varieties dazzle the eye, while others in the paler tints rest the vision and delight the senses of the beholder.

This flower is rightly called the people's orchid, as no other can outrival the surpassing beauty of its bloom. Your favorite color can here be found, embodied in floral loveliness, as nearly every shade has its representation in gladioli. Long ago, the gladiolus occupied a humble place in our grandmothers' gardens, and its color and shape were very ordinary; but gradually, by improved methods of hybridizing, it has rapidly advanced to claim recognition as the queen of all our summer flowers. Cross-fertilized by many eminent horticulturists, clearer and brighter colors, larger blooms, and wider opened flowers have been produced, making in all a result of wondrous perfection.

Cut when the first flower expands, and placed in water, they continue blooming along the stem to the very topmost bud, lasting at least a week and holding their beauty throughout. From four to eight blossoms are opened at a time, and as the lowest fade they are easily detached, thus keeping the bouquet as fresh appearing as when first placed in the vase.

The bulbs that produce these magnificent flowers are to be obtained at prices which allow them to grace the humblest garden as well as the most elaborate. Anyone, however inexperienced, can grow gladioli successfully, as the bulbs I furnish are most vigorous and the culture is very simple.

Visitors are cordially invited to inspect my collection, one of the most valuable in the United States, at any time during the blooming season. The process of cross-fertilizing in producing new varieties is very interesting and new seedlings are constantly blooming here for the first time. I have many new and rare varieties, native South African sorts, also import yearly the latest European novelties, which are usually of great beauty.

Bulbs of different varieties differ in size. Many of the choicest varieties do not produce a large bulb. However, I send out only strong blooming sizes which are carefully inspected and sure to bloom even under adverse circumstances.

Myrtle

The most beautiful pink yet produced in a Gladiolus

Clearer, daintier rose-pink, softly dissolving into a throat of clear creamy white its cool angelic beauty is most entrancing. Early flowering; in perfect alignment on straight spikes, the opening buds very closely resemble creamy-pink tinted ros-buds with slightly flaring petals. Distinctive in form and color and of good size, "Myrtle" stands among the elite of "Wizard" Kunderd's many exquisite productions—its show record proving this variety the unbeatable pink Gladiolus.

Awarded Silver Medal, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1912; First Class Certificate, Newport Horticultural Society, 1916; First Class Certificate, New York Horticultural Society, 1917; First Prize in Pink Section, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, in 1917, etc., strongest competition. I also received highest awards at many other shows seasons of 1915-1919.

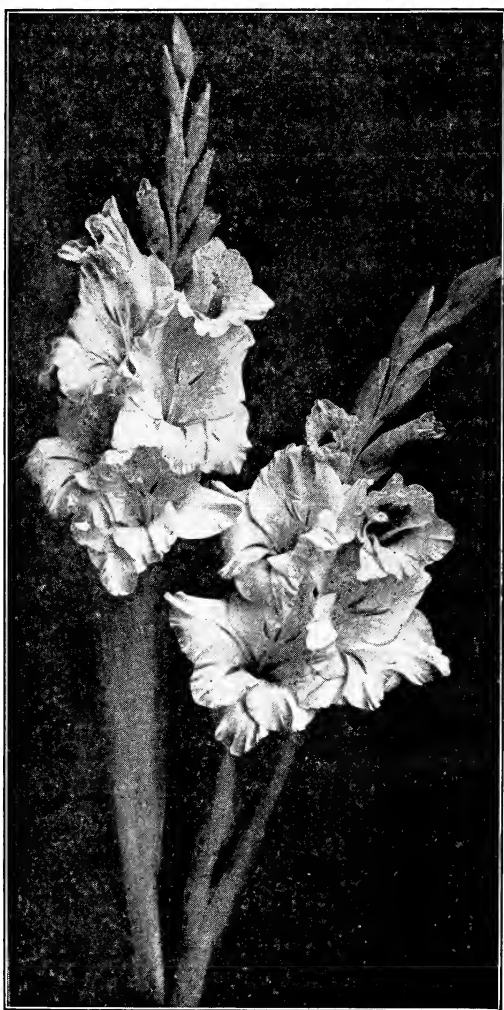
My prize winning strain of select, true to name bulbs 15c. each, \$1.50 per doz.

Gladiolus Kunderdi

The varieties marked (K) are selected from the productions of the foremost American hybridist, Mr. A. E. Kunderd.

Many of these have waved and fluted petals, like the newer sweet peas, and have received highest awards at the leading flower shows, both here and abroad.

They are considered the most beautiful of all gladioli and represent the pinnacle of gladiolus achievement.



KUNDERDI GLORY

Five Selected Kunderd Varieties

The Finest We Have Ever Offered

Lilywhite (K). (See illustration.) Pure as the lily! White as the snow! The long-desired spotless white gladiolus that will bloom well without special care; vigorous in growth and extremely early (flowering a full week ahead of all other white varieties in our gardens). "Lilywhite" is an ideal forcing variety and a sure-blooming garden sort. With a stronger constitution than any other pure white Gladiolus, absolutely healthy, and a profuse yielder of bulblets, "Lilywhite" stands in a class by itself. The blossoms are of lovely form, placed nicely on straight tall spikes, and are of good size and perfect purity of color.

Strong bulbs, 50c each \$5.00 per doz.

Mrs. Dr. Norton (K). The sensation of the last two exhibitions of the American Gladiolus Society. Received a silver medal from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, also one from the Newport Horticultural Society. Very large open flowers, many open at once, on tall, graceful spike; color is creamy white, edges suffused with soft La France pink, soft creamy throat. A strong grower and very free flowering.

Fine bulbs, \$1.50 each

Purple Glory (K). The giant of the Kunderdi Glory race and of remarkable color. Deepest velvety maroon red, with almost black blotches, as if burned into the petals. Beautifully ruffled, and a most extraordinary variety.

\$2.00 each for choice bulbs

Fire Ribbon (K). (See illustration.) Ten or twelve open blossoms on a tall spike, a long fiery band of richest glowing red. Wonderfully showy.

25c each

\$2.50 per doz.

Golden Glory (K). A large richly colored yellow with beautiful throat. Very vigorous in growth, with massive spike of nicely ruffled flowers of great substance. One of the very best.

75c each

\$7.50 per doz.

One each of the five marvelous sorts sent postpaid for **\$4.50.**



MRS. FRANK PENDLETON

Named Varieties of Supreme Quality

America. The most popular gladiolus in existence, in exquisite soft pale pink, tinted lavender, with enormous wide open flowers.
5c each 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Arizona Rose. (K.) Beautiful old rose. Large flowers.
15c each \$1.50 per doz.

Baron Hulot. Deep violet blue, the best dark blue in cultivation. Always attracts attention.
10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$5.00 per 100

Black Beauty. Dark blood-red flecked with black, the earliest of the very dark reds.
10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Blue Jay. The finest American blue gladiolus. Vigorous, tall, and with large flowers of bright blue with pure white spots in throat. A superb flower. "True Stock."
50c each \$5.00 per doz.

Brenchleyensis. Brilliant dazzling scarlet. A most vivid and intense color.
5c each 50c per doz. \$3.00 per 100

Crackerjack. Large flowers of rich velvety dark red. Throat is spotted with yellow on dark background.
10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Crystal White (Baer.) A most vigorous new white of great purity, with small diamond shaped violet-lavender mark in throat. Very much like America in all but color.
25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Crimson Glow. Perfect deep scarlet. Open flowers of largest size and well placed.
\$1.00 each \$10.00 per doz.

E. J. Shaylor (k.) Beautifully ruffled, of deepest rose-pink. Pure rose.
50c each \$5.00 per doz.

Evaline. Huge flowers of bronzy terra-cotta thickly flaked with smoky violet. Absolutely unique in coloring.
10c each \$1.00 per doz.

Evelyn Kirtland. Beautiful shade of rosy pink, soft shell-pink center, bright scarlet blotches on lower petals. A prize winner everywhere.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Gretchen Zang. Lovely melting salmon-pink, very beautiful.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$12.00 per 100

Golden King. Bright glistening golden yellow, with vivid crimson blotch. A first prize winner at many shows.

10c each \$1.00 per doz.

Golden West. A brilliant orange with darker mottled throat. A superb flower.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$16.00 per 100

Harvard. Perfect Harvard crimson. large open flowers. One of the best dark reds.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

Heliotrope. Deep velvety violet with almost black throat, the darkest blue Gladiolus. Flowers of my growing were awarded a first prize by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society at their 1916 exhibition.

30c each \$3.00 per doz.

Herada. Clear brilliant mauve; blossoms of immense size, a wonderful new color. Awarded first prize at Boston in 1916.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Ida Van (k.) A most beautiful deep salmon red, or flaming orange pink. Very rich and brilliant color. Highest award at Cleveland and certificate at London, England.

15c each \$1.00 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

Independence. Rich coral pink brilliant throat and heavy, wax-like flowers, often lasting two weeks after cutting.

5c each 50c per doz. \$3.00 per 100

Ivory (k.) Ivory white, with light markings in throat. Intensely ruffled, medium height; good.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Jessie. Rich velvety scarlet, tinted orange. Very early. Fine cut flower variety.

5c each 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Klondyke. Primrose yellow with crimson blotches. Round shaped flowers and early bloomer.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Kunderdi Glory (k.) First of a new race of gladioli with ruffled or wavy edged petals, originated by the famous hybridist, A. E. Kunderd. A beautiful creamy-buff, tinted soft pink. Superb.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Lady Howard de Walden. Clear bright yellow with carmine blotch tipped greenish lemon in throat. Much resembling large yellow pansies. A very dainty sort.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Liberty. A grand deep red with strikingly marked white throat. One of the showiest and best reds.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

Lily Lehman. White lily-shaped blossoms with greenish tinged throat, slightly flushed with softest pink. A cool spring-like beauty.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Mary Fennell (k.) Palest lavender, tinged soft pink, paler throat. Large wide open flowers of misty loveliness. A Patrician among gladioli.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

May. Fine white, flaked and variegated with rosy crimson. The most popular variegated gladiolus.

5c each 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Meadowvale. Purest white, with faint pink line in throat. Vigorous and healthy, with very large bloom, and a good multiplier.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

Mephistopheles. Bright crimson, splashed with dark crimson and yellow, like a gorgeous butterfly. Compels attention.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Mrs. O. W. Halliday. Delicate pink with creamy yellow throat. Compared to "peaches and cream."

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Mrs. G. W. Moulton (k.) Flowers of extra large size; a solid dark rose red in color with very slight tracings of deeper color in throat. Tall spike and very showy.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Mrs. Francis King. Enormous flowers of beautiful flame-pink, measuring four to five inches across, under ordinary cultivation. Most showy variety and finest for decorating.

5c each 50c per doz. \$3.50 per 100

Mrs. Frank Pendleton (k.) (See illustration.) Bright rose-pink on a pure white ground. A giant blotch of richest carmine red on lower petals. No grander variety in existence. Awarded the highest honor of The American Glad. Society, Mass. Horticultural Society, and many others.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

Mrs. Watt. Royal red rose color, an American beauty shade, clear solid crimson. A variety that everyone loves at first sight.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

Myrtle (k.) Tender and delicate rose pink, in the lovely shades of the trailing arbutus. The most beautiful pink yet produced in a gladiolus. Awarded Silver Medal by The Mass. Horticultural Society. Boston, etc.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

Neutrality (k.) Improved America, pure pink, large showy flowers.

5c each \$5.00 per doz.

Niagara. Very large, open flowers of soft, pale yellow. Waxy blossoms of great keeping quality.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

Norma Dee Childs (Childs.) Large delicate shell pink flowers with darker mottling. Soft primrose in the throat. Very beautiful.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Ophir. Primrose yellow with beautiful deep red blotch.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

Panama. Deeper pink than America, of which it is a seedling. A lovely soft color, and considered by many the very best pink sort. Has won prizes at all the largest shows.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Prince of Wales. Lovely soft salmon of largest size, unique and exquisite.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

Peace. Giant blooming white, very strong grower, strong lilac mark in throat. Flowers of great size and beauty.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Peacock. Bright iris blue with velvety pansy throat blotch of crimson and yellow. Spike sometimes crooks, but a most vigorous and healthy light blue which grows and does well in any soil.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

Prophetesse. Round white flowers with clear cut orange-red blotch in throat making a very beautiful contrast.

10c each \$1.00 per doz.

Pink Beauty. The earliest to bloom of all the large flowering gladioli. Soft pink with brilliant carmine blotch in throat. Very popular.

5c each 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Princeps. The amaryllis-flowered gladiolus. Largest blooming sort, single blooms sometimes measuring over six inches in diameter. Brightest scarlet, large white throat.

10c each 75c per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Red Amarillas (k.) Brilliant blood-red flower of giant size on medium height plant. Blooms formed like an Amaryllis. Most gorgeous and showy red. Was awarded First for best red at the Society of American Florists' Convention, Am. Glad. Society Show, Boston.

35c each \$3.50 per doz.

Rose Glory (k.) Very large flowers with beautifully ruffled petals of great substance. Purest rose-pink color. deeper in throat. A magnificent ruffled variety.

50c each \$5.00 per doz.

Rouge Torch. Large creamy-white flower with a rouge torch-like tongue on inferior petals, making a very striking contrast.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

Scarsdale. Pinkish lilac in color, nearly a mauve. An odd and beautiful shade.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

Tacnic. Bright glistening pink, large, open flower of great beauty. Tall, vigorous grower.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

Velvet King. Large flowers of glowing velvety scarlet, intense stripes on lower petals. Very showy.

10c each \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

War. (true.) Deep blood red, shaded crimson-black. Giant flowers of great substance and glowing color.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

White Glory (k.) A gorgeous pure white of exact size as Kunderdi Glory, with beautiful iris blue throat. Fine as a delicate iris. Grand.

35c each \$3.50 per doz.

White King (k.) As tall as Kunderdi Glory, very rich sulphur white, splendidly ruffled, and nicely marked on lower petals. (Synonym "Patrician.")

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

European Novelties

Elizabeth Kurtz. Large flowers of alabaster white, slightly flaked with pale rosy pink, pure white throat with no marking. Most distinctive.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Electra. Vermillion-scarlet with enormous flowers and tall spike.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Empress of India. Very dark red, tinged with purple, unique and beautiful. Certificates of merit at Haarlem and London.

10c each \$1.00 per doz.

Grand Violet. A deep violet-purple, very rich in color, extra large and handsome, and a great novelty.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

Halley. Delicate salmon-pink with pale yellow throat. Very large flowers. Certificate at London. One of the very earliest to bloom.

5c each 50c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Loveliness. Flowers of distinction, in daintiness unsurpassed. A clear, soft creamy shade, tinged with pink, very delicate color. Giant open flowers of great beauty.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Negerfurst. Glowing velvety dark blood red, flaked with black, white splash in throat flecked with lilac pink. Extra tall and vigorous and very early. A first prize winner in crimson class.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

Pink Perfection. Lovely appleblossom pink, many flowers open at once. Considered the finest pink variety ever originated in Holland.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

Reine Blanche. Clear, pure white, no marking, tall spike and dainty flowers.

10c each \$1.00 per doz.

Sulphur King. Long spike of clear sulphur yellow, the deepest clear yellow gladiolus.

25c each \$2.50 per doz. 20.00 per 100

Schwaben. Canary yellow, shading to soft sulphury yellow. Certificate Paris, 1910. Very vigorous and a good multiplier.

15c each \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

Yellow Hammer. Very beautiful yellow of rich tone, rare and lovely.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

Wilbrink. Like Halley only of soft pink, very early.

20c each \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

Very Special

In response to numerous requests, I offer for the first time five of my finest seedlings. These have all received highest awards at the leading shows, and are vigorous growers and good multipliers.

Moonlight. Of advanced Primulinus strain, this is one of the most entrancing glads. imaginable. The flower, large as Halley, opens six to eight blooms at once. Color is soft flesh pink, with clear throat of soft canary yellow, which does not fade after cutting. The arrangement of colors is such that each flower seems to be lighted from within, presenting a most exquisite appearance. Two spikes, cut nearly a week, carried almost a thousand miles and shown at the Detroit show, were awarded the American Gladiolus Society's Bronze Medal, and attracted much attention.

Select bulbs, \$3.00 each

Lilac Royal. Awarded First Class Certificate of Merit, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, at Boston, 1919. Flower, size and form of America. Color, Intense Lilac, closely resembling a Cattleya orchid.

Select bulbs, \$2.00 each

Red Cross. Awarded First Prize for best new seedling, Show of Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1918, competing against a class of nearly eighty fine entries. The dazzling brilliant scarlet of the Oriental Poppy, a solid self-color, of largest size.

Select bulbs, \$2.00 each

Golden Girl. The straightest, strongest giant Primulinus Hybrid of deep golden yellow shade I have yet seen; well opened flowers and most vigorous grower. The bulblets are enormous and often bloom the first year.

Select bulbs, \$1.00 each

Bluebell. Dainty lavender blue blossoms, of good size, on uniformly straight stems, flowers similar in color to lavender sweet peas—violet, tipped white in throat. Very prolific, and a good clean grower.

Select bulbs, \$1.00 each

The above collection of eight bulbs, post-paid, for \$8.00.

Primulinus Hybrids

Dainty and graceful blossoms, slightly hooded, in form resembling butterflies.

These are obtained by crossing the native South African Primulinus gladiolus with our large garden varieties, and produce very unique shades, running from light cream through various shades of yellow to deep orange and salmon tints, aptly described as nasturtium colors.

Bulbs from my choicest crosses, 10c each; \$1.00 per doz.

Favorite Collection

The following eight superb pink varieties, all different shades, sent postpaid for 50c.

- America.** Pale Pink.
- Independence.** Coral Pink.
- Mrs. Francis King.** Flame Pink.
- Mrs. F. Pendleton.** Blush Pink.
- Panama.** Rose Pink.
- Taconic.** Peach Pink.
- Pink Beauty.** Earliest Pink.
- Halley.** Salmon Pink.

Blue Ribbon Collection

The cream of Fancy Flowering Varieties, embracing all the principal colors, the twelve sent postpaid for \$1.00.

- Pink Perfection.** Dainty Appleblossom.
- Reine Blanche.** Purest White.
- Mrs. F. Pendleton.** Orchid-Flowering.
- Glory.** Ruffled Petals.
- Niagara.** Soft Yellow.
- Baron Hulot.** Deep Blue.
- Harvard.** Dark Crimson.
- Princes.** Amaryllis-Flowered.
- Liberty.** White-Throated Red.
- Mrs. Watt.** American Beauty Shade.
- Jessie.** Velvety Scarlet.
- Rouge Torch.** Cream; fiery throat.

Collections in Separate Colors

Newest and finest shades obtainable.

Sect. 1. Reds, scarlets, crimsons, etc.

25 bulbs,	\$1.00
50 “	1.75
100 “	3.00

Sect. 2. White, pink, yellow, etc.

25 bulbs,	\$1.50
50 “	2.35
100 “	4.00

Sect. 3. Blue, shades light lavender to dark violet.

25 bulbs,	\$1.50
50 “	2.75
100 “	5.00

All the above sections in mixture: \$4.00 per 100;
25 at hundred rate.

No orders for the above collections accepted for
less than 25 bulbs.

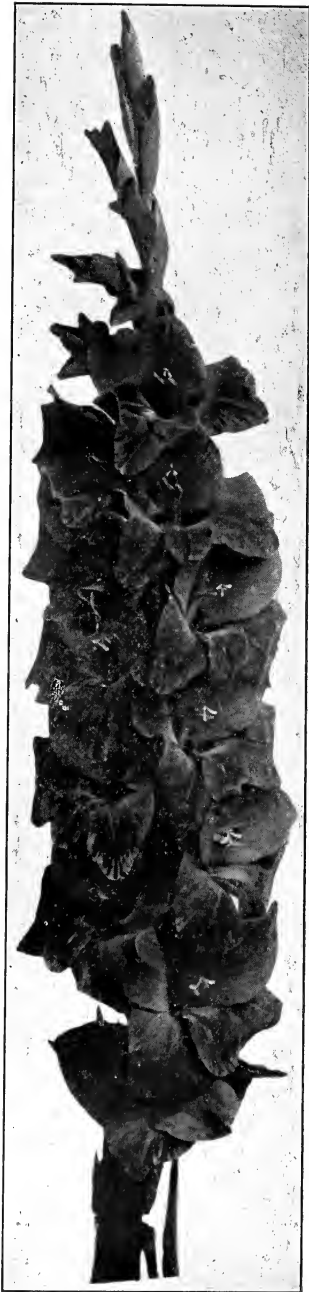
Would it not please your flower-loving friend to
receive by parcel post a neat box enclosing an as-
sortment of carefully selected gladiolus bulbs, no
two alike?

Your card enclosed if desired.

12, each a different color,	\$.50
25, each a different color,	1.00

Postpaid.

Try this collection in your own garden.



FIRE RIBBON

How to Grow

Gladioli are the easiest of all summer-flowering bulbs to grow, and their culture is very simple, anyone being able to produce fine results with a little care and a small amount of work.

May is the best time to plant, although they may be planted the first half of June to good advantage. The blooming period extends from the end of July until frost. For best results a sunny location is best and a rather light soil.

Plant four or five inches deep and the plants will not require staking, also they will resist dryness better as the roots will be cooler. Well rotted manure, good potato fertilizer, or sheep manure, if well mixed with the soil will produce good results. Loosen surface of soil occasionally and keep free from weeds.

After flowering, when the foliage looks yellowish, usually about the first of October, dig the bulbs, cut the stems quite closely, and store in a cool dry place. A cellar where potatoes keep well will suit the bulbs; but as a rule, they are easily wintered in any ordinary cellar where frost does not enter and the atmosphere is not too drying.

All Star Collection

A collection selected from the varieties (from all growers) awarded first prizes at the great Gladiolus Show at Bronx Park, New York City, August, 1918, where ten to twelve thousand spikes of gladioli were exhibited.

The twelve supreme sorts sent postpaid for \$2.00.

- Lilywhite.** Snowy White.
- Myrtle.** Arbutus Pink.
- Mary Fennell.** Pale Lavender.
- Mrs. F. Pendleton.** Orchid-Flowering.
- Baron Hulot.** Dark Violet Blue.
- Loveliness.** Cream, Flushed Pink.
- Europa.** Purest White.
- Schwaben.** Canary Yellow.
- Mrs. Watt.** Deep Rose Red.
- Peace.** Giant White.
- Niagara.** Soft Yellow.
- Golden King.** Deep Yellow.

Suggestions

Quality is remembered long after price is forgotten.

Specializing in one particular line tends to produce best results.

Our business is to grow gladiolus bulbs with such painstaking care and attention to detail that the vigor and blooming quality is so concentrated in the bulb that it is certain to blossom with only ordinary care, although the gladiolus responds quickly to extra treatment.

I do not list the cheaper mixtures, a low grade bulb will produce only a poor flower.

Cultural Directions will be included with each order if requested.

If gladioli are wanted by mail, add 5c per dozen for postage. Single bulbs mailed without additional charge.

When possible, it is better to have your order shipped by express, as larger bulbs, also extra, are included to help pay the transportation.

Also we have a special rate on bulbs much lower than ordinary merchandise.

Remittances may be made by post office order, express order, or postage stamps.

Bulbs are usually shipped about April 1st, but may be sent at any time desired.

If you can use bulbs by the 100 or 1,000, write us for special price.

Kindly order as early as possible and address all orders to

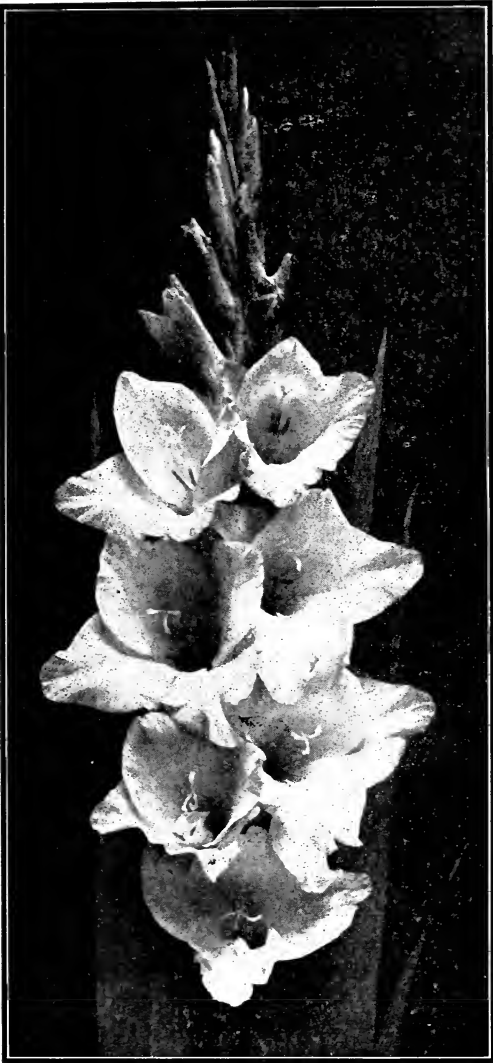
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MYRTLE

Appreciation

A very few selections from the many testimonials received from both professional and amateur customers and which were entirely unsolicited.

Extract from original letter:

I want to tell you that every one gave us a handsome blossom, and I received more satisfaction from them than I ever before received from any bulbs I ever had, and I have tried several dealers. I am more than satisfied.

W. A. CAREY, Grand Recorder,
Grand Temple of Honor,
of Massachusetts.

From a Woonsocket, R. I., Estate:

I suppose you are always glad to know that your gladioli prove satisfactory, perhaps you know they always will. But I cannot refrain from telling you that the bulbs I bought of you have proved true to type; the Pendletons and Pink Perfections are stunning! I have always had _____'s bulbs, but yours are better!

Very truly yours,
MRS. _____

From original letter on file:

I enclose order for gladioli and pay for the same. Please send me next year's catalog as soon as printed.

I obtained gladiolus bulbs last year from five different firms and yours were the only ones that bloomed.

Some of them measured six inches across and four feet high.

Very truly yours,
MRS. _____

Every one of the forty bulbs received from you came up. When the first bloomed, I thought it was the most beautiful flower that ever met my eye.

The others are now blooming, and are very, very lovely.

L. A. WOODWORTH,
Fitchburg, Mass.

From original letter on file:

SYRACUSE, N. Y.

Am enclosing amount of prize money won by you at the Newport Show and wish to congratulate you upon winning in such severe competition.

Yours truly,
HENRY F. YOUELL,
Sec. American Gladiolus Society.

August 4, 1913.

We take pleasure in writing you that the gladioli we bought of you are the best (much the best) we ever bought, and we have been buying more or less for thirty years.

Thanking you for sending us such wonderfully good gladioli, we are,

Yours truly,
E. H. DWYER & SONS,
Nurserymen, East Lynn, Mass.

The flowers from your bulbs were very fine and bloomed at a time when they were most useful to me.

G. S. RAMSBURG,
Somersworth, N. H.

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