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DESCRIPTIVE
CATALOGUE
OF
GLADIOLI
1924



Grown by

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Gladioli Grower

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PORTLAND, OREGON

Cut Flowers in Season

INFORMATION

The prices in this catalogue include delivery charges. Remittances should be sent with order from unknown customers, or satisfactory references.

During very cold weather, we will hold orders and send bulbs as soon as weather conditions are safe against severe frost.

No substitutes or changes will be made unless desired. As stock of some varieties is very limited, we suggest early orders.

GUARANTEE—I guarantee satisfaction. Every bulb is guaranteed true to name, and if it is not, you will confer a favor on me by telling me. It is a lot easier to do business with friends, and so I am trying to do my best to make you a friend.

Dozen rates are ten times the price of one bulb. All stock offered and orders accepted, subject to prior sale—in which case, money will be refunded.

The Gladiolus and Its Culture

In addition to their great beauty, the Gladioli are becoming more popular on account of their ease of culture. The Gladiolus will thrive in almost any good garden soil, but seems at its best in soils that are more or less sandy.

Well-rotted cow or **sheep** manure are the best fertilizers to use on average soils; fresh manure should not be used unless it has been worked into the soil the fall before planting time. Well balanced fertilizers may be used to an advantage, if used as a top dressing and worked into the ground at planting time. Generally speaking, handle your soil for planting exactly the same as for vegetable growing.

Plant the bulbs about 4 inches deep, and about 6 inches apart in the row; the rows should be at least 18 inches apart, so as to make it convenient for cultivating. Give them plenty of cultivation, which will repay one well in the finer flowers secured through thorough cultivation.

The first planting may be made in the spring as soon as the ground is warm, and in good, workable condition. If a succession of blooms are desired throughout the summer, new plantings should be made about 10 days after the foliage of the previous planting shows

Prices Reasonable

through the ground, and additional plantings continued until the last week in June, which is about as late as it is safe to make the last planting in order to secure flowers before frost.

Contrary to the common belief, the flowers of the *Gladiolus* do not mix colors when different varieties are planted side by side.

If the flowers are intended for indoor use, the spike should be cut as soon as the first bud opens, the balance of the buds will open when placed in water almost to the tip of the stalk; a small part of the bottom of the stalk should be cut off each day and fresh water used; they will last a week or ten days when treated this way.

Care must be used when cutting the spike so as to leave as much foliage as possible on the plant. This is necessary if the bulb is intended to be saved, and planted another season. Most so-called "worn-out" bulbs are from plants from which too much foliage has been removed.

The bulbs may be lifted as soon as they show signs of turning brown, or have been hit by heavy frost. The tops may be removed at digging time, and the bulbs should be allowed to dry before storing away for the winter. Any cool, dry place that is suitable for keeping potatoes, will do well for bulbs.

1923-24 Price List

GLADIOLUS BULBS

America — Very large flowers of delicate lavender pink. Each, 5c.

Anna Eberius (Dieners)—This variety has created a sensation everywhere, with growers and amateurs alike. It will be one of the most grown varieties in the next few years; its colorings, growth and propagating is unexcelled. Dark velvet purple; throat a deeper shade; flowers of large size; spike 3 to 4 feet high; fine, long, well-set spikes. Each, 25c.

Alice Tiplady (Prim.)—A most beautiful orange saffron color; very large. Each, 20c.

Anamosa (Prim.)—Finest orange salmon; golden throat; very large; many open. Each, 15c.

Alhambra (Kunderds)—An exceedingly brilliant vermilion scarlet; very choice. Each, 20c.

Take a Ramble

Avalon (Kunderds)—A very fine blush white; very beautiful throat; magnificent grand ruffed. Each, 25c.

Bengal Tiger (Pratt)—King Tut in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. An Oriental, of rare beauty, hard to describe, but beautiful to behold; color a combination of red-flaked mauve, with yellow lines in lower petals. Each, \$1. (Prices of planting stock and bulblets on application.)

Butterfly—A recent introduction from California. Tango or orange red, breaking sharply to a brilliant velvety crimson throat, which is bordered with bright yellow. Each, 20c.

Bright Red—A beautiful bright red; solid color; large bloom and many open at a time. Very showy. Each, 15c.

Baltimore—A very beautiful salmon, with cream markings. Each, 10c.

Blackhawk (Kunderds)—The flower is open and large; cardinal red; nearly black center. Each, 10c.

Crimson Glow—Deep brilliant crimson, overlaid with darker shades; lower petals blotched with deep, velvety crimson; the flowers are immense and plentifully spread on the tall, graceful stem. A gorgeous beauty with a vigorous constitution and a good multiplier. Each, 20c.

Crescent Queen (Kunderds)—Very large, dark wine red; a beautiful variety of this color. Each, 20c.

Charlemange—A magnificent French variety; gorgeous large; wide open; sunrise red, flaked darker. Each, 15c.

Crackerjack—Large flower; rich, dark red, with a lighter throat. Each, 10c.

Deiners White (Deiner)—Milk white, with a faint touch of pink at throat; lower petals overlaid with pale orchid; flowers extra large. Each, 50c.

Dawn—Large coral-pink; very fine. Each, 15c.

Dixie (Kunderds)—One of the very deepest and richest, almost black red. Each, 10c.

E. J. Shaylor (Kunderds)—Tall, very strong plant and large blooms. A beautiful pure, deep rose pink; was awarded certificate of merit by Royal Horticulture Society of England, August 10, 1920. Very choice. Each, 20c.

E. G. Hill (Kunderds)—Tall strong plant; large, shown flower of finest salmon rose, with large and beautiful cream throat; extra. Each, 75c.

to Our Gardens

E. Kirtland (Austin)—Sparkling rosy pink; scarlet blotch in lower petals. Each, 15c.

Elizabeth Gerberding (Deiners)—Shell pink; heavily ruffled; shading into rose on the outer edges; the center pale canary and ruby; spikes large and full. Each, 10c.

Europa—Snow white, with many flowers open at one time. This is by far the best white variety. Each, 20c.

Frank J. Symmes (Deiner)—Salmon-rose pink, with red center; ruffed edges; flowers 4 inches in diameter; spikes 5 to 6 feet high. Each, 25c.

Glory of Holland—A new white, faintly tinted pink with blue antlers; large blossoms and graceful spike. Each, 5c.

Golden West—A fine exhibition variety; clear orange scarlet; the lower petals blazed with golden yellow and all edged and tipped with pale yellow; extra fine and showy. Each, 10c.

Gretchen Zang—Soft salmon pink, and deepening to salmon on lower petals. A beautiful cut flower variety. Each, 10c.

Golden Glory (Kunderds)—A large richly colored yellow, with beautiful throat; a fine ruffed yellow. Each, 75c.

Golden Measure—The one best yellow; large flowers of deep golden yellow, heretofore unknown in a large flowering Gladiolus. Several of these gorgeous flowers in bloom at once on a tall, strong stem, give a most magnificent effect. Each, 50c.

Herada—An enormous glistening mauve, color and wonderful for florists' work. The best variety in this shade. Each, 15c.

Halley—Very early; large flowers of bright salmon pink, on long, graceful spike. Each, 5c.

Ida Van (Kundred)—A most beautiful deep salmon red, or flaming orange pink. Each, 10c.

Joe Coleman (Kundred)—Very large and vigorous; rich red; fine. Each, 20c.

Jack London (Deiners)—Light salmon with brilliant orange flame stripes; golden yellow throat, with ruby striped in center; flowers 5 inches in diameter; spikes 5 to 6 feet high. Each, 25c.

King of Violets (Kelway)—A very beautiful violet blue. Each, 10c.

Visitors Welcome

Louise — A magnificent new lavender; very large, wide, open flowers, with dark wine penciling on lower petals; extra fine; very strong grower. Each, 30c.

Le Marechal Foch — A new Holland variety; very delicate pink, with enormous wide open flowers; very early; a good grower and heavy propagator. Each, 10c.

Lily Lehman — A lily, both in name and form; pure white, with flesh tinting as flower ages; very early and considered by many as the best white. Each, 5c.

Lilywhite (Kunderd)—A fine, pure snow-white Gladioli that florists have been looking for; good height; nice size bloom; 6 to 7 open at a time; very prolific. Each, 15c.

Loveliness — Exquisite, wide open flowers of palest cream, suffused with apricot. Very delicate coloring and greatly admired. Each, 10c.

Mary Pickford (Kunderds)—An extraordinary flower; spike of mossy, delicate creamy-white; throat of finest soft sulphur-yellow; stem and salix also white; worthy of a great name. Each, 20c.

Mary Fennel (Kunderds)—Deep lilac, shading paler, soft primrose yellow throat; extra. Each, 10c.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton (Kunderds)—Bright rose pink on a pure white background; a giant blotch of richest carmine red on lower pedals; no grander variety in existence; awarded highest honors of the American Gladiolus Society, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, and many others. Each, 10c.

Mrs. Wm. Kent (Deiners)—Light fawn to light ashes of roses; old rose in throat; sometimes lightly striped with rose pink; the color of this variety is so exquisite and so suitable for cut flowers that we predict that it will soon be grown in large quantities. It is a very rapid propagator; flowers are 6 inches in diameter. Each, 15c.

Mrs. Dr. Norton (Kunderds)—Finest cream and pink; the sensation among the newer Gladiolus shown at the American Gladiolus Society's show the last six seasons; everywhere awarded the highest honors. Each, 20c.

Mrs. Watt — Tall, stately American beauty, with a rich green foliage, which harmonizes perfectly with the glowing beauty of the flower. Each, 10c.

Mona Lisa (Kunderds)—Strong plant; many flowers open at a time; of palest soft rose pink, or blush white. A magnificent, almost pure, self-color. Each, 35c.

Come Often

Marshall Foch (Kundreds)—One of the sensations of the American Gladiolus Society's show, and wherever shown at big exhibitions; many giant flowers open at a time; color of finest salmon pink; almost self-color. Each, 35c.

Mr. Mark (Velthuys)—Tall, straight, medium blue; by far the best of this color. Each, 20c.

Orange Glory (Kundreds)—Grand orange colored, with beautiful lighter throat; very rich and striking color; beautiful and distinct. Each, 25c.

Oran (Kunderds)—Blush white with a little deeper than American rose, and white penciled throat. Each, 20c.

President Taft — A delicate pink, shaded darker on the edges with red blotch in the throat. A beautiful garden or cut flower variety. Each, 5c.

Pride of Goshen (Kundreds)—A giant of a salmon or flesh pink; flowers very large and petals elegantly waved; exceptionally tall and vigorous plant; general appearance imposing. Each, 15c.

Peace — A giant white, with small violet blotch in throat; very robust plant, and beautiful flower. Each, 10c.

Pink Perfection (Hopman)—Pure apple blossom pink; very large flowers, and many open at a time. A distinct variety of great beauty. Each, 10c.

Pride of Lancaster (Kunderds)—Brilliant orange salmon; rich, fiery, deeper orange throat; flowers are medium to large; one of the most pleasing varieties in the whole list. Each, 25c.

Rose Ash (Deiners)—Corinthian red, shaded to ashes of roses color on the outer edges; lower petals light yellow, speckled with ruby; flowers very large and well set on the spike. Very attractive. Each, 50c.

Rose Glory (Kunderds)—A very large and beautiful ruffed variety; purest rose pink color; deeper in the throat; extra fine. Each, 25c.

Red Canna — Very showy orange scarlet; the finest bedder of its color. Each, 20c.

Red Emperor — Very large flower of a bright scarlet color; here we reach the summit of the scarlets unto perfection. Each, 15c.

Red Armaryllas (Kunderds)—Brilliant blood red flowers of giant size, on medium height plant. Blooms formed like an Armaryllis; most gorgeous and showy

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red; was awarded first for best red at the American Florists' Convention and American Gladiolus Society show, Boston. Each, 15c.

Ruffed Glory (Kundreds)—Creamy apricot, with a tint of pink; with fine lines of red on lower petals; this is a very strong grower. Each, 10c.

Roanoke Prim (Kundreds)—A vigorous and large rich yellow prim. Each, 10c.

Splendorra (Kunderds)—Splendid; very dark wine black; a fine rich, distinct sort. Each, 20c.

Scarlano (Kunderds)—Light, bright orange red; fine spike and flower; finely ruffled. Each, 20c.

T. T. Kent (Deiner)—Rose pink, with ruby running through center of each petal; very vigorous in growth. This is one of our largest varieties; one of the heaviest propagators; flowers 6 to 8 inches in diameter; spikes 6 feet high; it has proven a favorite everywhere. Each, 25c.

Taconic (Coblentz)—Bright pink; flecked and striped with a delicate pink; lower petals blotched a deep crimson; edged with a thin yellow stripe. Each, 15c.

Violet Glory (Kunderds)—Massive flower; rich, self color; deep violet; deeper throat; medium ruffled; extra. Each, 30c.

White Giant (Van Meerbeek)—A fine pure, waxy white; spike strong; immense wide open flowers, of good substance. Each, 15c.

Wine King (Black)—A very beautiful purple wine color; medium height. Each, 10c.

Wilbrink (Hopman)—Lovely flesh pink with creamy blotch in lower petals; very beautiful. Each, 10c.

White Ivory (Kunderds)—Snow white; with beautiful red blotch on lower petals; extra choice. Each, 25c.

Youell's Favorite (Kunderds)—One of Henry Youell's (Secretary American Gladiolus Society) favorites among our ruffled varieties; large flower and plant; striking rosy lavender pink; conspicuous and fine. Each, 30c.

Choice Mixed — This mixture contains a great variety of colors; \$2.00 per 100; 25c per dozen — not prepaid.