

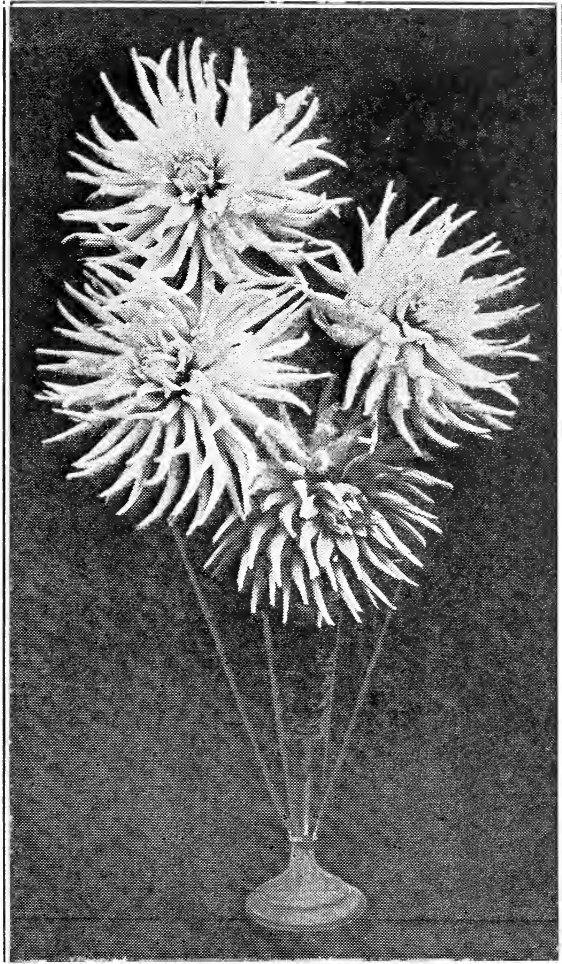
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“OUR DAHLIAS FROM PACIFIC
NORTHWEST
GROW BEST”

1927



ALPHONSINE—CACTUS

LEE'S DAHLIA GARDENS

5438 SOUTH YAKIMA AVENUE
Phone Madison 1243
Tacoma, Washington

INFORMATION

TEST GARDEN—Our own introductions and all new varieties from all parts of the world are planted the first year in our test garden and their habits carefully noted and only those of outstanding merits are listed in our catalogue, and many are discarded each year because their habits do not come up to our standard. Our planting stock is carefully inspected both before planting and while growing and any which does not look healthy is destroyed.

GUARANTEE—Our bulbs are strong and full of “pep” and we guarantee every bulb we sell to be true to name, and we will gladly replace any mistake; also guarantee each bulb to have live “eye” or sprout and if planted right and given proper care we are sure will grow. Please notify us at once if a shipment should arrive in unsatisfactory condition.

Full Cultural Directions are sent with each order.

ORDER EARLY—Orders are reserved in the rotation received and ordering early will avoid disappointment.

SUBSTITUTIONS—We do not substitute unless instructed to do so. Please give a few second choice, especially if ordering late.

SHIPPING—We send out all orders that are paid in full between April 15th and May 1st unless you specify a later date. Orders shipped before April 15th at purchaser’s risk.

TERMS—Cash with order. No order sent C. O. D. unless 50 per cent of purchase price accompanies order. A deposit of 25 per cent with the order will reserve the bulbs for you, and balance must be sent before shipment. Orders not held after May 1st unless paid in full, except by special arrangement.

POSTAGE—We pay postage on all retail orders of over \$1.00. Orders of less than \$1.00 add 10 cents postage. If you wish the bulbs insured add 5 cents for insurance.

WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS PLAINLY.

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GREETINGS

We appreciate your orders and wish to thank you for the many kind letters, telling us of your success achieved with our dahlia tubers; also thank those who so kindly recommended us to their friends.

We have had over 20 years' experience in growing and specializing in dahlias and we grow and send out the best tubers that can be grown.

"OUR DAHLIAS FROM PACIFIC NORTHWEST GROW BEST." Try them and be convinced.

We wish you all a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

J. W. and Mrs. J. W. LEE.

Dahlias of Superior Merit

In describing the types of Dahlias listed, the following abbreviations will be used: Cactus (Cac.); Hybrid Cactus (H. C.); American Cactus (A. C.); Decorative (Dec.); Peony (P.); Show (Sh.), and those with our name (Lee) following name of variety are our own introductions.

Those marked with star (*) are Pacific Northwest introductions.

AIBONITA (Dec.)—Very large flower, color a bright lavender pink shading to golden yellow at base of petals. Stems not very strong. Blooms profusely **\$1.25**

***ADAH POMEROY (Cac.) (Lee)**—A beautiful large flower with graceful incurving

petals; color a delightful shade of old rose, which is overlaid with a blend of warm tan at base of the petals. Has good habits and splendid stems. Extra good keeper when cut and has been a prize winner several times **\$2.00**

***ALANNAH (H. Dec.)**—Color a deep rose pink shading into picric yellow at base of curly reflex petals; profuse blooming and a splendid keeping cut flower on good stems **\$2.00**

ALEX WALDIE (Dec.)—Large flower on fairly good stems. Color delicate salmon pink with a blend of cream **\$0.75**

***ALPHONSINE (Cac.) (Lee)**—Good white cactus varieties are scarce, and we are proud to introduce this one. The bush grows tall and carries a profusion of lovely blooms on long, upright stems; perfect-form closed centers; color white with faint tinge of cream at center. Buds when opening tinged with mauve, which turns white as flower opens. A splendid dahlia and good cut flower **\$1.00**

***ALTA WHEELER (Dec.)**—This is a very large scarlet shading to orange; yellow at base of petals. The blooms are held aloft on strong stems 3 feet long. A very striking flower and very much admired in the gardens **\$5.00**

***ALVIN R. (Dec.) (Lee)**—An extra large deep flower with long, strong stem which holds its bloom aloft and looks you in the face. A rich, velvety Tyrian rose, a color



ALVIN R. (DEC.)

very much like the well-known "Daddy Butler" except that Alvin R. has a yellow halo at base of petals which makes a very striking flower. One of the best keepers when cut we have ever grown. In 1926 it won first prize for best 12 blooms of Pacific Northwest introduction at Pacific Northwest Growers Assn. Show, Tacoma, Wash. Also scored in Northwest Trial Garden, Puyallup, Wash., for both commercial and exhibition.....\$2.00

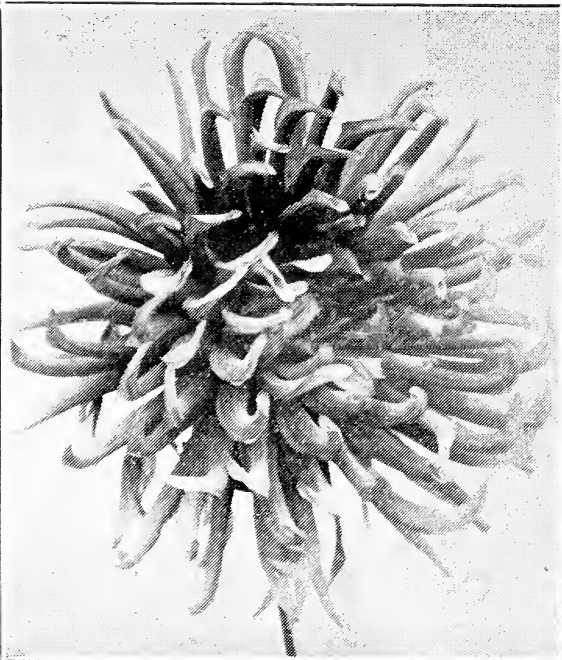
AMBER GLOW (Cac.)—A bright yellow, deepening to pale orange at the center. The petals are long, narrow and straight. An exhibition and cut-flower variety.....\$1.00

AMUN RA (Dec.)—A large flower, color copper and orange with a reflex of scarlet. Stems very good, and blooms profusely. Does not always have a perfect exhibition center. \$1.00

AUGUSTINUS (Dec.)—Large flowers with wavy petals. Color a rosy salmon overlaid with bright metallic lilac. Stems very long and strong, holding the bloom upright. A very satisfactory dahlia.....\$1.00

***ARCTIC (P.)**—Pure white; most perfect in form, immense size; nine inches or more in width, yet fluffy and graceful; very long and strong stems holding the flower well above the foliage.....\$0.75

ARTHUR TWITCHETT (A. C.)—Large blooms on good stems. Color a flesh white; very profuse bloomer. Good cut flower. \$1.00



ADA POMEROY (CACTUS)

BALLET GIRL (Cac.)—An attractive dahlia of very odd coloring. An extra large, deep flower, made up of a mass of narrow, incurved petals, which are pure orange, white with orange base and various combinations of these colors on same bush. Free flowering; stems pendant.....\$1.00

BEAUTY (P.)—New English Peony. A large bloom; color a deep rose pink. Stems very good and a good cut flower.....\$0.75

***BILLY MORGAN (P.) (Lee)**—One of the brightest in our garden; color scarlet red blending to deep yellow at base of petals and tipped pure white. Flowers of medium size on good upright stems and very free blooming. Bushes medium height; a good cut flower.....\$1.00

BLACK DIAMOND (Sh.)—Large flowers of deep maroon, nearly black; fine for cutting or garden decoration; good stems.....\$0.50

BOB PLEUSE (H. C.)—The color is dark crimson at base to half the length of petals, balance pure white, making a very showy flower. Blooms are large and stems are very strong and upright. Has won many prizes and is much admired wherever shown.....\$2.50

BONNIE G. (A. C.)—Pure, soft pink. Strong grower, producing its large blooms well above foliage in great profusion. With all lovers of pink dahlias this wonderful variety is bound to be a great favorite.....\$1.50

BORDER KING (Cac.)—Large scarlet on good stem and very free blooming.....\$0.75

BRIDAL VEIL (H. C.)—A good pure white, on good stems. Blooms profusely.....\$1.00

CAMBRIA (Eng. Dec.)—Rich pink, shading lighter to center; large, full flower on long, erect stems; free blooming; very good.....\$0.75

CALIFORNIA ENCHANTRESS (H. C.)—Large blooms of great substance and of a delightful shade of pale pink. Erect stems and a very profuse bloomer. Perfectly formed.....\$0.75

CARMENCITA (Dec.)—Clear yellow, distinctly penciled with bright scarlet. Very beautifully formed flower of immense size. Fine stems and a good keeper; compact habit and free bloomer.....\$1.00

***CARMONA (H. C.) (Lee)**—Fine, incurving petals, free blooming on splendid stems. Clear rosy carmine cerise; a striking color and large flower. Good keeper when cut.....\$2.00

***CARRIE MENZEL (P.) (Lee)**—A soft salmon pink; has good stems; profuse blooming and good keeper.....\$0.75

***CELIA E. HARRIS (H. C.) (Lee)**—Our 1924 introduction that won for us the silver cup for best pink H. C. or Dec. at Western Washington Fair, 1923, with many other splendid varieties in competition. A perfectly formed Hybrid Cactus and a beautiful shade of bright pink, having a slight tinge of mauve. The blooms are very large and full and the stems are perfect. An extra good dahlia in every way.....\$1.00

- ***CENTRALIA (Dec.) (Lee)**—Another of our introductions. Very large flower on extra long, strong stems, 24 inches and more in length. A splendid keeper as a cut flower. Color dark crimson blending to American Beauty red **\$2.50**
- CHAMPAGNE (Dec.)**—One of the largest dahlias grown. Color is rare and delightful; stem is strong and holds the massive flower absolutely upright, and the bushes are plentiful producers of blooms. Coloring is a dull golden champagne, varying to chamois... **\$1.50**
- CHARM (Marean Dec.)**—A very beautiful autumn coloring of yellow and burnt orange; good stems, and blooms freely..... **\$0.75**
- CIGARETTE (H. C.)**—Color creamy white, heavily edged orange, but no two flowers are exactly alike. Bloom is large and of good substance. Stems are of the best quality. Good for all purposes. Very much in demand during the garden season..... **\$2.00**
- ***CITY OF PORTLAND (P.)**—The blooms are often 8 and 9 inches in diameter, of very artistic form. Color is a clear, rich, deep yellow. An ideal cut flower, having long, strong stems and good keeping qualities. Strong, vigorous growing plants, producing flowers freely **\$0.75**
- CORAL (Cac.)**—A large flower of deep coral pink; petals very full and incurved; has splendid stems; good cut flower..... **\$0.50**
- DADDY BUTLER (H. C.)**—A rosy carmine or Tyrian rose, the reverse of petals a lighter tint. Has splendid stems; a very profuse bloomer, and fine cut flower, keeping extra well when cut..... **\$1.50**
- DAKOTA (Dec.)**—An eastern dahlia of splendid merit. Flame color; very large flower on perfect stem; vigorous grower; splendid for garden or exhibition..... **\$0.75**
- DICTATOR (Dec.)**—Lavender rose, suffused with fawn; very large chrysanthemum-like flowers on long, perfect stem; very beautiful **\$0.75**
- ***DOLLY MOORE (Dec.)**—A very bright orange and old gold; sometimes has blooms tipped with white, which are very beautiful. Large flowers on very good stems. Grows tall and is always full of lovely blooms... **\$2.00**
- EARLE WILLIAMS (Dec.)**—This is a giant flowering dahlia. The colors of brilliant crimson and white are well distributed. Plants are very free in bloom. This is one of the most attractive dahlias. Strong stems... **\$1.00**
- EDITH CARTER (Cac.)**—Yellow, heavily tipped bright carmine; very erect habit and stems. An old variety, but pretty and very good for cutting..... **\$0.50**
- EL CAMINO REAL (Dec.)**—Very large, deep rich crimson, on strong stems. Much admired **\$1.00**
- ***ELIZABETH WHITE (Dec.)**—A giant size, but a very graceful fluffy flower on good, long stem; the color is a soft buff suffused with soft coral and salmon pink; a very pleasing flower; very profuse blooming..... **\$4.00**
- ELSIE DREXLER (H. C.)**—A deep, velvety maroon bloom of huge size; on splendid long, strong stems **\$1.00**
- EMMA GROOT (Dec.)**—A new Holland variety that is very good. Color is a soft, deep lilac with deeper reverse. Flowers are large and borne on top of long, rigid stems..... **\$2.00**
- ENCHANTRESS (Holland Dec.)**—Color a silvery pink, being absolutely free from any lavender tint; long, narrow, graceful, wavy petals. A very dainty flower of medium size, on long stems..... **\$0.75**
- ETHEL (Cac.)**—Large, incurving petals; color soft pink blending to white center; good stems **\$0.50**
- ETHEL BURNHAM (H. C.)**—Color is a lovely shade of deep old rose; a profuse bloomer. Flowers are very large; stems fair **\$0.75**
- ETHEL M. (H. C.)**—One of the very largest blooms of great depth; on strong, erect stems; color a beautiful amaranth pink blending lighter at tips. Scored 88 in A. D. S. Trial Garden at Storrs, Conn..... **\$2.50**
- FRANCIS LOBDELL (H. C.)**—A large, mellow pink blending to white at center; very profuse blooming; stems are strong and erect but need disbudding for length; has been a prize winner many times in the East..... **\$1.00**
- F. W. FELLOWS (Cac.)**—Very large; bright orange; long, narrow petals; good stems..... **\$0.75**
- GEN. MILES (Sh.)**—An extremely large show dahlia and one that is always in demand. Color violet striped and speckled purple. Stems only fair..... **\$0.50**
- GEO. W. GERO (Sh.)**—A lovely, large, bright pink, perfectly quilled on extra good stems **\$0.50**
- GEORGE WALTERS (H. C.)**—Salmon pink suffused with gold in the center; is a wonderful bloomer; long, stout stems. Will always be in demand..... **\$0.75**
- GERTRUDE BRINTON (Dec.)**—Large, bright scarlet; has good, strong stems, and is very attractive **\$2.50**
- GIANT RUBY (Dec.)**—A beautiful vivid red, large flower with good stem; profuse blooming; a new Eastern dahlia..... **\$1.00**
- GLADYS BATES (A. C.)**—Immense, heavy blooms of soft tan color, tinted with rose; perfect stems and a profuse bloomer..... **\$1.00**
- ***GLADYS ELEANOR (H. C.) (Lee)**—A large flower on a perfect stem; a full, graceful bloom of clear canary yellow without any shading. Free blooming on medium height bush **\$2.00**
- GLORY DE LYON (Sh.)**—Large, pure white; round as a ball; strong stems..... **\$0.25**
- GLORY OF NY KERK (P.)**—Large, purple shaded maroon; full flower; on good stem **\$0.50**

ELIZABETH BOSTON (P.)—Enormous blooms of deep crimson, shading to old gold at the tips, and will hold its color the entire season. The center is surrounded with tiny, curly petals, which make this introduction perfect of its type. Stems are exceedingly long and cane-like. Tall growing and very free blooming\$1.50

GLORY OF NEW HAVEN (Dec.)—A soft, pinkish mauve, a color quite distinctive and beautiful. Long stemmed, large blooms; excellent for cutting.....\$0.75

GOLD MEDAL (Sh.)—Deep canary yellow striped and tipped red; very free blooming on good stems\$0.50

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY (Sh.)—Large, deep rich yellow; very strong, rigid stems\$0.50

GOLDEN WEST (H. C.)—One of the best varieties for cut flowers and is a good keeper. Color bright orange-buff; blooms held erect on good stems.....\$0.50

GRAND DUCHESS MARIE (Sh.)—Large, soft buff overlaid with orange, reverse shaded pink\$0.25

GREAT BRITAIN (Dec.)—Deep mauve or lilac; distinct form and large size; fine for cutting; good stems.....\$0.75

GRISETTE (H. C.)—Very large, deep flower of beautiful old gold with a light tint of pink; stems good; profuse blooming.....\$2.50

HUGH McNEAL (Cac.)—Lovely shade of lavender pink; very fine for cutting; good stems\$0.50

***H. W. WALKER (H. C.) (Lee)**—One of our own introductions; large; bright yellow; free blooming; fine stem.....\$0.50

INSULINDE (Holland Dec.)—One of the most wonderful yet introduced; extra large flower with broad, wavy petals and long, strong stems: brilliant golden orange color\$1.00

***IVORIE (P.)**—The waxy petals of great substance are long and pointed and curl and twist in such a manner as to almost cover the center; color is clear, glistening ivory, deepening to cream at base of petals and has a faint glow of buttercup yellow at center; an extra large, beautiful flower on strong, 18-inch stem\$3.50

JEAN CHAZOT (H. C.)—A very beautiful French dahlia; color autumn shades of golden bronze suffused with nasturtium red; splendid stems; profuse blooming, and good cut flower\$0.75

JERSEY'S BEACON (Dec.)—Very large blooms on splendid, strong stems. Color is a Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse, giving a two-tone effect. This is a very attractive dahlia and has won many prizes.....\$5.00

JERSEY'S BEAUTY (Dec.)—One of the most beautiful true pink dahlias we have ever grown; a clear pink, very large, of perfect form on long, erect stem; has won many gold medals and prizes, and we heartily recommend it\$2.00

JERSEY'S KING (Dec.)—A very unusual color, a Begonia rose; flowers are large and stems are good.....\$2.00

JERSEY'S SOVEREIGN (Dec.)—A new shade and hard to describe, but we think it a salmon orange; flowers of good size on good stems\$2.50

J. HERBERT ALEXANDER (Cac.)—Large; color salmon pink. A profuse bloomer. Stems only fair\$1.00

J. M. GOODRICH (Dec.)—A medium size bloom on good, strong stems. Color salmon pink lightly tipped with gold. Not a new variety, but a splendid cut flower for keeping\$0.50

JUDGE MAREAN (Dec.)—Color is a combination of salmon pink, red, orange, yellow and gold, in a blend that is very unusual. Free blooming and has long, strong stems\$1.00

***J. W. LEE (H. C.) (Lee)**—One of our own 1924 introductions. This is a magnificent dahlia of very large size. A strong grower, and profuse bloomer. The large, full, graceful blooms are held erect on good, strong stems. We find it hard to describe the color to do it justice, but as near as we can tell you it is a blending of soft scarlet on buff yellow, giving the flower the beautiful sunset shades, having a distinct halo of yellow at center. Much admired by all visitors at the gardens, and a dahlia that should be in every collection. We have good reports on it from all parts of the country. Scored in the Northwest Trial Garden, 1925, and won first prize,



J. W. LEE (HYBRID CACTUS)

- 1926, in Pacific Northwest Dahlia Growers Assn. Show for the best bloom of Pacific Northwest introduction entered by amateur or advanced amateur.....\$1.50
- KATHRYN DONGES (H. C.)**—Light sulphur yellow; a large flower on good stem; flower looks very much like Yellow King, but makes much nicer bulbs.....\$1.00
- KIKU (A. C.)**—Very large, beautiful bright yellow, petals incurving until blooms resemble chrysanthemums. Very profuse blooming. Stems good.....\$3.00
- KING OF SHOWS (Sh.)**—Deep butter yellow of a solid color throughout. Every petal is most perfectly quilled and uniquely formed. A mammoth flower; on long stems.....\$0.75
- KOH-I-NOOR (H. C.)**—Dark maroon red; a large, velvety bloom on good stem; profuse blooming.....\$2.00
- LADY BETTY (Dec.)**—This beautiful dahlia is an extra large, finely formed flower, produced freely all season on long, stiff, erect stems. A lovely, creamy white artistically suffused with pink, reminding one of a bush of pale pink peonies in full bloom.....\$1.00
- *LADY LOVE (H. C.) (Lee)**—A beautiful combination of buff and canary yellow tipped white; has good stems, large size and free blooming. It sometimes burns a little on edge of petals on the hottest days in hot climates.....\$2.00
- LADDIE (H. Sh.)**—Large flower of odd color, a blending of bronze and old rose. Has good stems and blooms profusely.....\$0.75
- LA FAVORITA (H. C.)**—Beautiful brilliant salmon, shading darker in the center and lighter at tips. Of perfect form and carried erect on extra strong stems; ideal cut flower.....\$0.75
- *LEHIL (Dec.) (Lee)**—A wonderful autumn color: an apricot orange overlaid with golden iridescent sheen; there is also a flush of old rose, more on the reverse of petals. Each petal has a pin line of gold around the edge. The blooms are very large, graceful and full and carried on long, strong, wiry stems. A generous bloomer on medium height bush. This beautiful flower has been greatly admired and praised in our garden.....\$1.50
- MABEL THATCHER (Dec.)**—Large flower of pale yellow; stems fair; blooms well....\$1.00
- *MacGREGOR (H. C.)**—Color is spectrum red, base of petals lemon yellow. Blooms are very large and carried on long, strong, upright stems. Profuse blooming, and good cut flower. Has won many prizes.....\$2.00
- MAD. LA BRUN (Cac.)**—Best purple cactus; large, incurving petals, and good stems..\$0.50
- *MARCELLA GILL (Dec.)**—A delightful clear, soft pink, a variety that is bound to become a great favorite with everyone, especially florists. A wonderfully free bloomer on long, individual stems that hold the blooms rigidly erect. Very perfectly formed and is second to none in keeping qualities when cut.....\$0.50
- MAID OF THE MIST (Dec.)**—Large, cream tipped and tinted with salmon pink. A beautiful bloom. Stems pendant.....\$1.50
- MARION CHRISTINE (Dec.)**—A light creamy yellow tipped rose; large flower on good stem.....\$1.00
- MARY DORR (Cac.)**—A very pleasing color of bright Tyrian pink and white. Has splendid stems, and blooms profusely. Blooms are medium size and good keepers for cutting.....\$0.75
- MARIPOSA (H. C.)**—A very large, graceful bloom with curly petals. Color is a lavender pink. Blooms very freely and has good stems.....\$2.50
- *MARMION (Dec.)**—One of the very largest dahlias grown. Color is pure golden yellow with bronze suffusion on reverse of petals and the deeper bronzy tone on the high, full center, and an outline of same shade around each petal enhances the beauty of the flower. Petals are long and wavy and eliminates any hint of coarseness. The long, cane-like stems hold the huge blooms erect. Scored 90 in Northwest Trial Garden. One of the big prize winners.....\$10.00
- MERCEDES (A. C.)**—Creamy yellow suffused with sunset pink; a large bloom on good stems. One of the earliest, and a free bloomer.....\$3.00
- MERIDIAN (English C.)**—Large, pale yellow bloom on good stem; profuse blooming....\$1.00
- METEOR (Sh.)**—Bright ruby red; large size; on good stems.....\$0.25
- MEYERBEER (P.)**—Dark crimson, suffused purple; one of the largest Peonies grown; strong stems.....\$0.75
- MILLIONAIRE (Dec.)**—One of the largest dahlias in existence, with short, stout stems. Color is light lavender, shading to white in center.....\$0.75
- MING (H. C.)**—Large; flaming orange; a very striking flower. Stems are good, and it blooms freely.....\$3.50
- MODEL (Cac.)**—Yellow ground, shading to lovely pink, tipped yellow; beautiful incurved form and fine stems.....\$0.75
- MRS. CARL SALBACH (Dec.)**—Immense blooms of a lavender pink color, on exceptionally strong stems; a perfect exhibition and cut-flower variety; one of the best.....\$0.75
- MRS. ELEANOR MARTIN (Dec.)**—An extra large flower on a long, strong, upright stem. Color is a blending of rose and rich mulberry; an unusual color and a very wonderful flower. Excellent for garden and exhibition.....\$3.50
- MRS. ETHEL F. T. SMITH (H. C.)**—Creamy white Hybrid Cactus shading to a lemon tint in the center. This is one of the largest dahlias. It is a profuse bloomer, and the flowers are held far above the foliage on strong stems.....\$0.75

- MRS. I. DE VER WARNER (Dec.)**—A charming deep mauve pink. Extra strong grower, producing its gigantic blossoms freely and rigidly erect on long, cane-like stems. A splendid variety **\$0.75**
- MRS. JIM McCANDLESS (P.)**—A large flower on good stems. Color is old gold with a blending of apricot..... **\$1.00**
- MRS. W. E. ESTES (H. C.)**—Large; pure white; a lovely, fluffy flower on good, strong stems. Blooms freely..... **\$0.75**
- MYRA VALENTINE (Dec.)**—Large; golden bronze suffused salmon; good stem, and free blooming **\$1.00**
- *NATURE'S MASTERPIECE (Dec.)**—A color that is hard to describe but is a blending of old rose, mulberry and metallic bronze; a rich combination and a very wonderful flower. Very large blooms on extra long, strong, upright stems. Scored 93 in the Northwest Trial Garden, 1925..... **\$10.00**
- *NESIKA (Dec.) (Lee)**—Large flowers on good stems; free blooming; color crushed strawberry with buff suffusion and blending toward center of soft crimson, making a beautiful flower and something new in color **\$3.00**
- *OTARGIC (Dec.)**—A Venetian yellow with a faint suffusion of clear, bright red at base of petals. Flower is large and stems are good **\$2.00**
- *PACIFIC SUNSET (P.)**—This is one of the largest Peony dahlias grown and color is a pleasing blend of golden yellow and soft salmon red; an ideal autumn shade and a free bloomer. It is also the most fragrant of any dahlia we have grown and always attracts great attention in the garden or on exhibit; stem good **\$2.50**
- PAPILLION (H. C.)**—A large, graceful flower, color old rose blending with salmon bronze. A beautiful flower on good, strong stems. Blooms freely..... **\$2.00**
- PARADISE (H. C.)**—Very large; color dull gold with suffusion of rose; stems good... **\$2.00**
- PATRICK O'MARA (Dec.)**—Awarded the American Dahlia Society's Gold Medal for best variety in 1920. The color is an unusually soft and pleasing shade of orange-buff. The large flowers are borne on long, strong stems held rigidly erect. One of the most lasting cut-flower dahlias..... **\$0.75**
- PIERRE GRISARD (Dec.)**—Color is currant red, a very unusual and beautiful color. Stems are splendid and blooms are very large. A fine dahlia **\$0.75**
- POLAR BEAR (Dec.)**—A good, pure white, on good, strong stems. Splendid for cut flowers, and very free blooming..... **\$0.50**
- PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA (Dec.)**—A large, red, that has splendid stems; blooms freely and is an extra good keeping cut flower dahlia **\$0.50**
- PRIDE OF WAYNE (Dec.)**—Color is a deep plum purple; flowers are large on good stems **\$1.00**
- RADIO (Dec.)**—A true giant size; color blood red and tipped yellow; a flower that attracts immediate attention. Flowers have great depth as well as width, and are held erect on strong stems..... **\$3.50**
- REGENT (A. C.)**—Large blooms, clear mauve pink; incurving petals; stems are good and it is a free bloomer..... **\$1.00**
- RHEINISCHER FROSHINN (Cac.)**—Not a new dahlia, but a very popular one with our customers. Color is white at base of petals, quickly blending to bright carmine rose. Petals incurved. Stems good, and it is free blooming **\$0.50**
- ROBERT TREAT (Dec.)**—American Beauty rose color; perfect formation and has splendid, strong, erect stems. One of the prize-winners of the East..... **\$2.50**
- ROSA BONHEUR (H. C.)**—A large, graceful bloom of beautiful shell pink blending to ivory white at center; free blooming and has splendid stems **\$2.50**
- ROSA NELL (Dec.)**—Color a clear, bright rose; flowers are very large, and stems are splendid. A very attractive dahlia..... **\$0.75**
- SAGAMORE (Dec.)**—Color a golden yellow shaded with amber at center; large blooms on splendid stems. One of the big prize-winners in the East..... **\$3.50**
- SEÑORITA (Dec.)**—One of the largest dahlias grown; a rich dark red, with good stems; a new one that will be a favorite.. **\$1.25**
- SEQUOIA GIGANTEA (Dec.)**—A large, deep yellow Decorative, noted for its vigor. Strong stems **\$0.75**
- SERENADE (H. C.)**—A large, old rose; very free blooming, and stems good..... **\$2.50**
- *SHIRLEY MAXINE (H. C.)**—Very beautiful rose pink, large blooms on good stems; very free blooming. Scored for both exhibition and commercial in Northwest Trial Garden, 1926 **\$1.00**
- SHUDOW'S LAVENDER (Dec.)**—Very large blooms on good, strong, upright stems. Color is a beautiful lavender. Has won many prizes **\$1.50**
- *SILVERY MOONLIGHT (H. C.) (Lee)**—Color white with petals edged bright yellow and soft orange. Some blooms come solid yellow, but all are beautiful. Petals are long and curly. Blooms large, on good stems.. **\$2.00**
- SILVERHILL PARK (English Cac.)**—It is massive in size, beautifully incurved in form and with perfect center; color is a glistening white; the plants are strong and stems are good **\$1.00**
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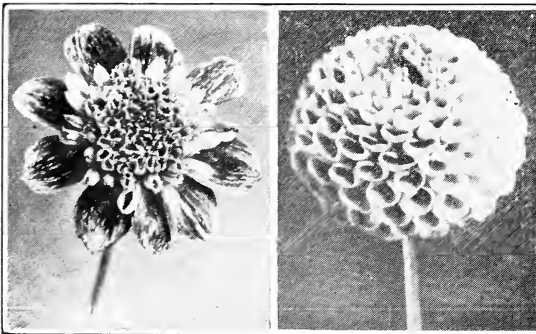
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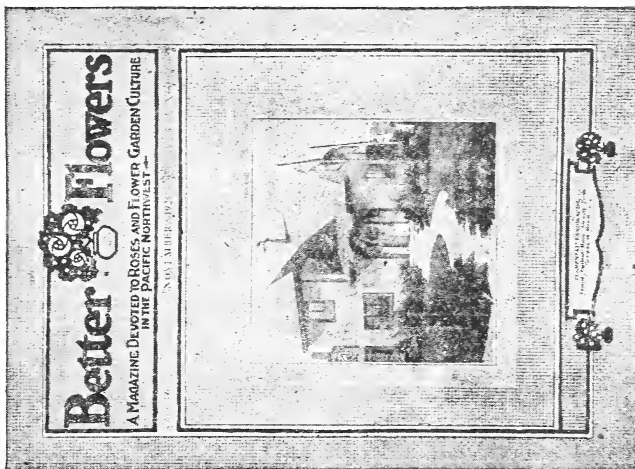


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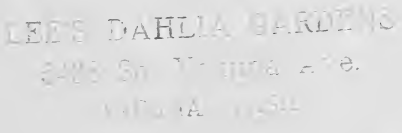
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DAHLIA CULTURE

Dahlias are easily grown, but, like other plants, do better when given proper care. Planting time varies according to localities and climatic conditions. In Tacoma and the country around Puget Sound, the best planting season is from April 15th to May 15th. In California the planting season extends from March until June. Mid-West and Eastern States from middle of May to in July. Never plant when soil is wet or soggy. And never plant until danger from frost is over.

For best results, plant in a sunny location out of reach of the roots of trees or shrubs.

Prepare the soil by spading deeply; and if the soil is not rich enough to raise a real good garden, spade in some well rotted barnyard manure, working it up well with the soil. When planting be careful that the fertilizer does not come in contact with the tuber as it might start decay.

If you cannot obtain the barnyard manure, use the sheep manure or bonemeal. Chicken manure can be used, but remember it is very strong.

If you do not wish to spade the manure in broadcast, place it in the bottom of the hole when you plant and work it up well with the soil, then cover with a little soil to keep the tubers from touching it.

A teacup full of the sheep manure or bonemeal is about right for each plant. If the soil is heavy clay, a little sand or coal ashes worked in will help to loosen it.

Dahlias will grow equally well in sandy or clay soil, but the clay soil requires more cultivation and the sandy soil more water and fertilizer. If your soil is rich, it is best to not put in any fertilizer when you plant, for if the soil is too rich the plants will grow rank and tall and have few blooms. And if needed it can be put on the ground any time.

Plant the tubers 3 feet apart in the rows, except the Pompons, which can be planted 1½ to 2 feet apart. Pompons should not be planted among the larger varieties, but make a nice border around the beds of the large varieties or in beds by themselves.

Drive a strong 5 or 6 foot stake in the hole when you plant the tubers, and place a tag with name of variety on the stake to preserve its identity. NEVER STAND THE TUBER ON END when planting; ALWAYS LAY IT DOWN FLAT, with eye or sprout up, and within 2 inches of the stake.

Should the sprout get broken off, another will come in its place.

Plant tuber about 6 inches deep, but only cover with 2 inches of pulverized soil, gradually filling up the hole to the level after plant is up and growing.

If many shoots start up, thin them out to one or two; one is better if you wish to raise exhibition blooms.

Cultivation is MOST IMPORTANT; as soon as plants are up, begin hoeing them once a week to keep the weeds out and the soil from forming a crust or baking. Do not water much until plants are in bud, unless very hot and dry. But after plants begin to bloom, water them about once a week and soak the ground very thoroughly so that the water will reach the roots. Always stir the soil the following day and this will help conserve the moisture. When the buds appear, stop hoeing and use a rake to stir the soil, or place a mulch or manure, straw or lawn clippings, etc., around them.

When plants are blooming, fertilizer in liquid or ordinary form, placed on the ground and watered in, is very beneficial in raising good blooms.

Care should be used that the fertilizer does not touch the stalks.

When plants are a foot to eighteen inches high, tie them to the stake loosely with soft rag string or binding twine.

If you do not want them to grow tall, pinch out the top when plant has 3 or 4 sets of leaves; this will cause them to send out several strong branches from the ground and makes a more bushy plant.

Larger flowers and longer stems are obtained by disbudding. Three buds usually form, and when center bud is as large as a green pea, remove the two smaller ones. If you wish to disbud heavier, you can remove the buds forming in the next set of leaves and so on down the limb, being sure that you leave the last sets, as these will be your next blooms. Of course the more buds you remove, you get larger but fewer blooms.

Cut off the faded blooms with as much stem as they have, for the old blooms and stems are taking strength from the new ones.

If you want blooms for exhibition at shows, start disbudding and fertilizing about 5 or 6 weeks before the exhibit; but of course a certain measure of success would be obtained in even less time.

When picking blooms for exhibit, we cut them with as long stems as possible, on the evening before the show and plunge the stems for 2 or 3 inches in water that is almost at the boiling point, leave about 30 seconds; use care that the steam does not hit the flowers; then plunge the stems deeply in cold water and put in a cool basement for the night. In the morning place them in boxes so they will not crush and sprinkle lightly with water and put on the box cover to keep the breeze from them, and they are ready for the trip to the exhibit.

When exhibiting for prizes, Cactus, Hybrid Cactus, Decorative, Show and Pompon should have perfectly closed centers. Peony, Collarettes and Singles should have open centers.

If plants are bothered with aphid or insect pests, spray with the Black Leaf 40—1 teaspoonful to a gallon of water—and dissolve whale oil soap in it to make a good lather.

When frost kills the plants in the fall, leave them stand a few days to cure if possible, then cut off the tops and dig up carefully so as to not break the necks of the tubers. Wash them clean with the hose and let them dry off a few hours in the sunshine, then store them in a cool, frost-proof place. Divide the tubers next spring at planting time and be sure to cut the tubers apart so they will have eyes. Never break them apart; always use a knife to separate them, as the eyes are always at the neck where the tuber joins the stalk. Dip the cuts in dry sulphur to heal them.

Sometimes a variety will fail to reproduce tubers. Save your old tuber, and if it has grown very large split it in half lengthwise so that each piece will have eyes; dip the cuts in dry sulphur and let them heal a few days before planting.

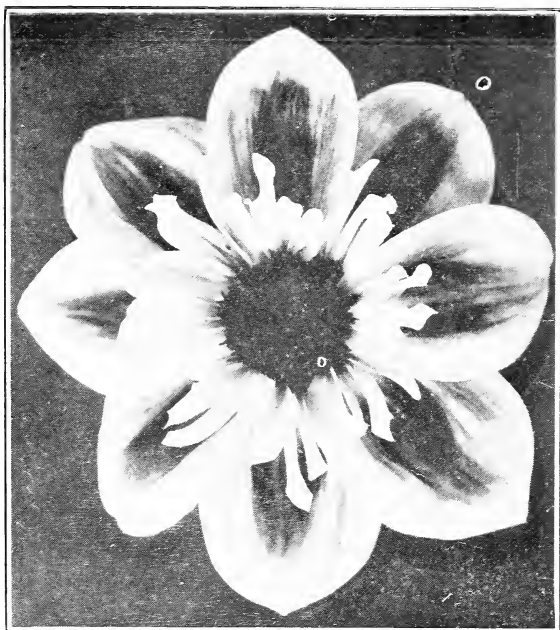
Plant only one tuber in a hill. And remember that a tuber as small as a peanut, with a good, live eye, is as good or better than a very large one, and some varieties only make small tubers, while others make large ones.

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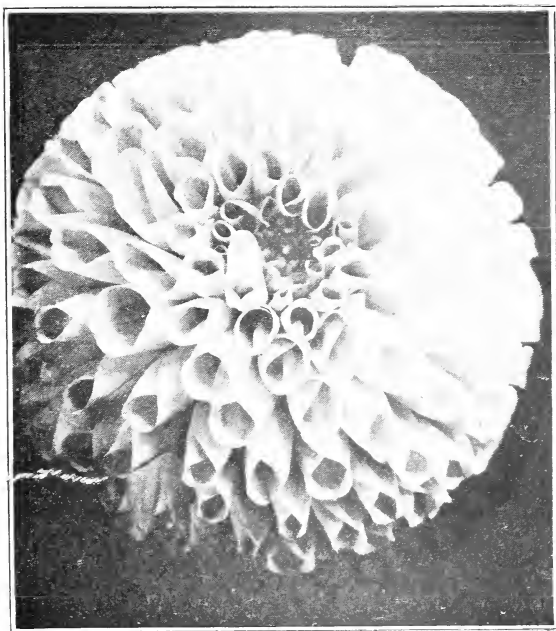
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