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The SIMPSON IRIS GARDENS GLEBE ROAD $\quad: \quad$ LIVINGSTONE HEIGHTS

CHERRYDALE :: VIRGINIA

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& \text { PRICE LIST , } 1929 \\
& \text { GARDEN } \\
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& \text { BEARDED IRIS } \\
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& \text { MANY OF THE BEST } \\
& \text { OF BOTH THE OLD } \\
& \text { AND THE NEW } \\
& \text { VARIETIES }
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## INTRODUCTORY AND DESCRIPTIVE



With each recurring spring the urge that comes upon every garden owner is to get out-of-doors and dig and clean, and plant seeds and all the other things for which a garden was made. It is true of most of us, also, that while we are at it, we feel like doing all at once about four-fifths of the whole year's planting! So we find that many will wish to plant their Irises also at this time, and it is mainly for these that this spring Price List is issued. Personally, I am not very much in favor of planting them until after blooming, tho it is perfectly safe to do it in the spring,-so if you wish them, notify us to this effect and your orders will be filled promptly, weather permitting.

## SELECTION OF VARIETIES -

Personal tastes will always differ to some extent and it is well that they do, for otherwise where would the variety be that's called the 'spice of life'? However, when a large number of garden owners can agree on certain kinds, it is practically safe to call them the necessary or indispensable ones; and it is not strange that many that fall in this class are among the old or older Irises. For instance, and mentioning them in the order given by the Price List, we could not think of getting along without Fairy and Innocenza among the whites; Ma Mie and Parisiana among the plicatas; Rhein Nixe of the clean, contrasty bi-colors; Her Majesty, in the pink class; Parc Neuilly and Tamerlane among the purples; Princess Beatrice; Caterina and Lohengrin among the pale blues and lavenders; Alcazar, Arnols, Jacquesiana, Quaker Lady and Isoline, of the blends; and Aurea, Princess Victoria Louise and Loreley, of the yellow or yellow bi-color class. An Iris garden without most of these is hardly an honest-to-goodness garden.

If and when we have settled our consciences with a liberal planting of the foregoing, it is both natural and to-be-expected that some of the later introduced ones should ask for a recognition of their beauty and charm; among these are some outstanding ones like the entrancing Kashmir White; the elegant Edouard Michel; the red Seminole; Crusader and Lady Foster, among the blues; Lord of June and Melrose; L. A. Williamson, Shekinah and Afterglow.

Then, and if your pocketbook agrees to it, some of the newest ones, as beautiful as Irises can be, should become inhabitants of your garden. For instance, Dream, Imperator and Damozel; Montpelier, Simonne Vaissiere and Madame Gaudichau; Ballerine, a gem; Loetitia Michaud, Delicatissima, Odaroloc; the rich red-purples, Morning Splendor, Moa, Arlington, Senatobia, George Tribolet, Tenebrae; and the elegant blends, Ambassadeur, Asia, Madame Cheri and Prospero.

## PLANTING TIMES -

For middle and northern latitudes the best times are soon after blooming and during all of July and August, with early spring and September as second best. For real southern latitudes, soon after blooming, with July, August and September are the best, and with very early spring and October as second best.

## DISEASES AND PESTS -

The Iris has as few of these to injure it as any plant grown. There are some who regard the (soft) root rot as a serious disease, but do not believe this for if all plant troubles were as easily avoided or cured as this, the garden world would be very fortunate. Space forbids the details of the various remedies, and for these you are referred to the handbooks on the Iris described on back pages of this Price List. However, this can be said briefly: to avoid it, plant where your Irises will be well-drained and where they will get at least a half-day's sunshine (three-quarters of a day is about the ideal)-use no stable manure around or over them and plant them near or at the surface of the ground.

This is practically a sure preventive; but supposing that it is already in your garden (and it is to some extent in nearly every large garden in the country) use this method and remedy: cut out the rotted portion and also remove the soil that was around and close to this portion replacing with fresh, clean soil; rub a mixture of lime and sulphur (mixed in the proportion of half-and-half) over the cut surface and see that some of this powder is kept there the balance of the season. This is one of the most effective remedies, is very easily applied, and is what I use.

As to the borer, I simply give the rows and clumps a good cleaning early in the spring, removing all dead leaves and burning them; this has worked well with me and there has been almost no borer trouble in the Simpson Gardens. Others, having more trouble with the worm should consult the books above referred to for details regarding other and additional treatment.

As to aphis visits, these may appear to a slight extent on a part of your plantings once in four or five or six years. They do no damage, but anyway use a nicotine solution ("Black Leaf 40") to get rid of them.

Leaf Spot: the visitations of this seem to depend upon the kind of a season that is prevailing at the time; it makes some clumps somewhat unsightly but does no injury to the rhizomes. Most varieties are largely immune but some are not. If it worries you too much, cut off the affected portions of the leaves. One authority recommends spraying with a weak lime-sulphur solution and another with an ammoniacal-copper-sulphate solution. Do not confuse the leaf spot however, with spots or other blemishes which begin to appear prior to the natural decay of the leaf: a few varieties begin to lose their leaves much earlier than others, or about the last of summer, which loss seems necessary in order to give way to the new leaf growth which begins, in the case of these varieties, in early fall. Most varieties retain their leaves until heavy frosts appear, and some are almost evergreen the year round in the latitude of Washington.

## CULTURE AND FERTILIZING -

This is so simple in the case of the Iris that a few lines will tell the entire story. First, plant where the sun shines most of the day. Second, give good drainage. Third, use no stable manure unless you know how to use it which few of us do. And this is almost all there is to it!

Fertilize with bonemeal in the spring and once again in the summer; also apply a little lime in the fall and work it in, and your fertilizer problem is about solved. Other fertilizers that are good and useful, should you care to use them in place of the bonemeal, are: sheep manure; acid phosphate; wood ashes; pulverized peat: well-rotted compost from a compost pile.

As to soil, good garden loam tending to stiffness is best, tho the Iris will grow in either a light sandy loam or a stiff clay loam: if very sandy, add some clay; if very stiff with clay, add some sand or sifted coal ashes.

Beardless irises, such as the Sibericas, etc., like a richer soil than do the bearded ones, and they also thrive better in a damper soil; they are no great lovers of lime, and the yearly application of this can be omitted to some extent with them.

## VISITORS OF COURSE ARE INVITED DURING THE BLOOMING SEASON.

There are a great many more named varieties in the Gardens, on trial, than are given in this Price List, besides hundreds of seedlings. Some will eventually "make the grade" and be listed while others will not! Come and see which of these are worth while.
How to reach the Simpson Gardens by automobile: As a rule, make for Washington, D. C., and then cross the Potomac over the Key Bridge, at the south end of which you will be in Rosslyn; get on the Lee Highway here and drive west for three miles until the Glebe Road is crossed (at Lee or Livingstone Heights), at which crossing turn north and about 300 yards farther is the site of the gardens. However, if coming from the west or southwest, by way of Winchester (in the Shenandoah Valley), make for that city and from there drive through Millwood, Fairfax and Falls Church; at this latter town get on the Lee Highway and drive east for three miles until the Glebe Road is crossed, at which crossing turn northward as above mentioned; or, another route from the Valley is to turn to the right, or eastwards, at New Market, then proceed thru Luray and Warrenton to Falls Church, from which town drive as just mentioned. Briefly, the Gardens are three miles from Washington, at Livingstone Heights, corner Glebe Road and Livingstone Avenue.

## The Varieties

The entire list is divided broadly into certain color groups, and while with some varieties this is more or less difficult, the advantages of such a division are piainly manifest, even tho growers may differ a little here and there as to where a particular variety belongs.

The heights are in inches and are those of normal bloom stalks as found in the average garden.

Since this is a Price List rather than a catalog all detailed descriptions are necessarily omitted.

All the varieties here listed belong to the large class of "Tall Bearded Irises," so-called, tho a few of them are not tall. There are a few not in this class at the end of the list.

## White or White Effects

|  | One | Three | Six | Twelve |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ALBICANS (18 in.) | . 40 | . 60 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| ANNA FARR (30 in.) | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.00 | 3.50 |
| ELFIN WHITE (15 in.) .... | 1.00 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 8.00 |
| FAIRY (36 in.) | . 40 | . 65 | 1.20 | 2.10 |
| FENELLA (22 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| INNOCENZA (24 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| KASHMIR WHITE (32 in.) .... | . 60 | 1.50 | 2.75 | 5.00 |
| KASHMIRIANA * (16 in.) ....... | . 75 | 2.00 | 3.50 |  |
| LA NIEGE (16 in.) ...................... | . 40 | . 75 | 1.40 | 2.50 |
| MRS. H. DARWIN (18 in.) ............ | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| SOPHRONIA (24 in.) ...................... | 3.00 | 7.50 | 12.00 | 20.00 |

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## Frilled and Dotted Effects

|  | One | Three | Six | Twelve |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CALEBEE (24 in.) | . 60 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.00 |
| CAMELOT (42 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| CATALOSA (30 in.) | 1.00 | 2.75 | 5.00 |  |
| DAMOZEL (32 in.) | 1.25 | 3.50 | 6.50 | 11.00 |
| JEAN CHEVREAU (26 in.) | 1.00 | 2.50 | 4.00 | 7.00 |
| JUBILEE (22 in.) .......................... | 2.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 |  |
| MADAME CHEREAU (36 in.) ...... | . 40 | . 60 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| MADAME CHOBAUT (28 in.)..... | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| MA MIE (30 in.) ................................. | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| MONTPELIER (28 in.) ................... | 6.00 | 15.00 | 28.00 |  |
| PARISIANA (32 in.) ......................... | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| VICTORINE (27 in.) .......................... | . 40 | . 65 | 1.20 | 2.10 |

## White Standards and Darker Falls

| ANNE LESLIE (18 in.) | . 40 | . 90 | 1.60 | 3.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LYCAENA (34 in.) | . 75 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 7.00 |
| RHEIN NIXE (34 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.40 | 2.50 |

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## Pink and RedEffects

| CHATELET (28 in.) | . 80 | 2.25 | 4.00 | 7.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DREAM (34 in.) | . 75 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 7.00 |
| EDOUARD MICHEL (32 in.) ........ | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 4.00 |
| HER MAJESTY (22 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| IMPERATOR (36 in.) ........................ | 1.50 | 4.00 | 7.50 | 13.00 |
| MRS. ALLAN GRAY ( 24 in .) .......... | . 40 | . 65 | 1.20 | 2.10 |
| PAULINE (36 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| SEMINOLE (28 in.) .............................. | . 50 | 1.40 | 2.50 | 4.50 |
| WINDHAM (24 in.) ........................... | . 40 | . 90 | 1.50 | 2.75 |

## Blue or Purple

|  | One | Three | Six | Twelve |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AMAS (26 in.) | . 40 | . 60 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| ARCHEVEQUE (26 in.) ..................... | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| BARONET (32 in.) ............................. | . 40 | 1.10 | 2.00 | 3.50 |
| CRUSADER (34 in.) | . 60 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.50 |
| KOCHII (16 in.) | . 40 | . 65 | 1.20 | 2.10 |
| LADY FOSTER (36 in.) | . 60 | 1.50 | 2.50 | 4.50 |
| LOETITIA MICHAUD (40 in.) | 5.00 | 13.00 | 20.00 |  |
| MADAME GAUDICHAU (36 in.) | 1.00 | 2.75 | 5.00 | 9.00 |
| MELROSE (26 in.) | 1.00 | 2.50 | 4.50 | 9.00 |
| MONSIGNOR (26 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| PARC NEUILLY (24 in.) ................ | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| RICARDI FONCE ( 34 in .) ............... | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 4.00 |
| SIMONNE VAISSIERE (24 in.) .. | 1.50 | 4.00 | 7.50 | 13.00 |
| SWATARA (36 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.00 |
| TAMERLANE ( 30 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| TROJANA (34 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |

Lavender, Lilac and Violet

| ALBERT VICTOR (36 in.) | . 40 | . 65 | 1.20 | 2.10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BALLERINE (38 in.) | 1.00 | 2.75 | 4.75 | 9.00 |
| CATERINA, 1st size (40 in.)........... | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| CATERINA, 2d size | . 40 | . 90 | 1.50 | 2.50 |
| DELICATISSIMA (36 in.) | . 75 | 2.00 | 3.50 | 6.50 |
| FRITJOF (18 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| LEONIDAS (32 in.) | . 40 | . 60 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| LEWIS TROWBRIDGE (34 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| LOHENGRIN (32 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| LORD OF JUNE (34 in.) ................... | . 75 | 2.00 | 3.75 | 6.75 |
| MANDALAY (36 in.) ........................ | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| MADAMOISELLE SCHWARTZ (38 in.) | . 80 | 2.25 | 4.25 | 8.00 |
| MOTHER OF PEARL (40 in.)..... | . 50 | 1.40 | 2.65 | 4.75 |
| MYTH (32 in.) ..................................... | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| ODAROLOC (38 in.) ........................ | 2.75 | 7.50 | 14.00 |  |
| ORIFLAMME (26 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |


|  | One | Three | Six | Twelve |
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| PRINCESS BEATRICE, |  |  |  |  |
| 1st size (32 in.) | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 4.00 |
| 2d size | . 40 | 1.00 | 2.00 | 3.50 |
| QUEEN ALEXANDRA (22 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| QUEEN CATERINA (34 in.) ........ | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 4.00 |
| SINDJKHA (36 in.) ............................ | . 50 | 1.25 | 2.25 | 4.00 |
| STORM CLOUD (26 in.) ................ | . 40 | . 90 | 1.60 | 3.00 |

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Red-Purple or Violet-Purple Shades

| ARLINGTON (36 in.) | 2.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 | 16.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CARDINAL* (28 in.) | 10.00 | 28.00 | 50.00 |  |
| GEO. J. TRIBOLET (38 in.) | 3.00 | 8.00 | 15.00 | 28.00 |
| MAGNIFICA (38 in.) | 1.00 | 2.75 | 4.75 | 8.7 |
| MRS. HETTY MATSON ( 34 in .) | 1.50 | 4.00 | 7.50 | 13.0 |
| MOA * (42 in.) | 10.00 | 28.00 | 50.00 |  |
| MORNING SPLENDOR* (36 in.) | 2.75 | 8.00 | 15.00 | 28.00 |
| OPERA (28 in.) | . 75 | 2.00 | 3.75 |  |
| PIONEER (32 in.) | 4.00 | 10.00 | 18.00 |  |
| POWHATAN (34 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 |  |
| TENEBRAE (32 in.) | 4.00 | 10.0 | 8.0 |  |

Roots of varieties marked (*) are somewhat small this season.

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## Blended and Bronze Shades

| ALCAZAR (32 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AFTERGLOW (34 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| AMBASSADEUR (36 in.) ................. | . 90 | 2.50 | 4.50 | 8.50 |
| ASIA (36 in.) | 2.25 | 6.25 | 12.50 | 22.00 |
| ARNOLS (28 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| COL. CANDELOT ( 30 in .) ............... | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| DUSK (36 in.) | 2.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 |  |
| ELDORADO (26 in.) ........................... | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| GAMALIA (32 in.) .............................. | 4.00 | 11.00 | 20.00 |  |
| IRIS KING (26 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| ISOLINE (36 in.) .............................. | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |


|  | One | Three | Six | Twelve |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FLAMMENSCHWERT (26 in.)..... | . 80 | 2.10 | 3.75 | 6.75 |
| JACQUESIANA (36 in.) | . 40 | . 90 | 1.60 | 2.75 |
| L. A. WILLIAMSON (34 in.)........ | . 50 | 1.40 | 2.60 | 4.75 |
| LEVERRIER (38 in.) | 1.00 | 2.75 | 4.75 | 9.00 |
| MADAME CHERI (36 in.) | . 65 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 5.50 |
| PROSPERO (38 in.) | . 65 | 1.75 | 3.00 | 5.50 |
| PROSPER LAUGIER (30 in.)........ | . 40 | . 90 | 1.60 | 2.75 |
| QUAKER LADY (30 in.)................ | . 40 | . 90 | 1.60 | 2.50 |
| ROZANNA (28 in.) | 3.00 | 8.00 | 14.00 |  |
| SENATOBIA (32 in.) | 3.00 | 8.00 | 14.00 |  |
| SHERBERT (36 in.) ........................... | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| TIMUR (32 in.) | 2.00 | 5.00 | 9.00 |  |

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Yellow or Dominately Yellow

| AUREA (24 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.50 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DAWN (26 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.25 |
| DARIUS (20 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| EMPIRE (18 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.50 |
| FLAVESCENS (34 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| HELGE (14 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.50 |
| LORELEY (30 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.50 |
| MINNEHAHA (24 in.) | . 40 | 1.00 | 1.75 | 3.00 |
| OCHRACEA (26 in.) | 1.00 | 2.50 | 4.50 | 8.00 |
| PRINCESS VICTORIA <br> LOUISE (24 in.) | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| SHEKINAH (32 in.) .......................... | . 50 | 1.40 | 2.40 | 4.50 |
| SHERWIN WRIGHT (24 in.)........ | . 40 | . 75 | 1.25 | 2.25 |
| VIRGINIA MOORE (28 in.) ........ | . 50 | 1.30 | 2.40 | 4.50 |

## MISCELLANEOUS IRISES

## Siberica:

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& \text { Snow Queen, clumps ............................................................................................................................................................................................................................ } \\
& \text { 40c } \\
& \text { Blue King, clumps }
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Grey Prince, (a beautiful blue and grey Simpson seedling) clumps each \$1.25
Tectorum, blue each 25c Tectorum, alba (white) each \$1.25
The Sibericas are best planted very early in the spring or in September. Tectorum can be planted in early spring or any time after flowering, i. e., after July 1st. Neither of these species care specially for lime, and the Sibericas will thrive in a richer soil, with more moisture in it than the Bearded Irises.

The benefits derived from securing at least three roots of a variety are urged upon our customers, for in this way, by planting that number or more, together, the clump effect is quickly attained, and it is in clumps that the beauty of the Iris is best displayed.

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## THE SIMPSON SEEDLINGS

## A Brief Descriptive List

Arlington-Large blooms of rose-lavender standards and bright velvety crimson-purple falls. Strong grower and its bright color makes it conspicuous in any planting. Its nearest similar variety is Mrs. Hetty Matson, but it is superior to the latter in brightness, size, shape of bloom and growth. Generally admired by all who have seen it. $32-36$ ins. $\$ 2.00$.

Calebee-Lavender on a white ground with red-brown markings on the falls giving the blooms a decided light bronze effect. Medium size blooms and a good grower. 22-24 ins. 60c.

Elfin White-An improved Mrs. Darwin; slightly larger, but not too large, and much whiter with the whiteness of the well-known Frau Karl Druschki rose. 14-16 ins. \$1.00.

Gamalia-S. dark ageratum violet; F. rich, dark reddish-purple flushed amber at the base; style branches of the clearest amber. Standards open. Enormous bloom and probably one of the largest varieties in the world. H. M. Washington, 1924, by the national society. Moderate growth and sometimes takes two years to get established like most of the very large varieties. $30-34$ ins. \$4.00.

Melrose-A thoroughly reliable bloomer even in unusual and freaky seasons. A large bi-color, both S . and F . being shades of lavender and purple. Better texture than most Irises, showing no tendency to "flop" even under trying weather conditions. 26 ins. \$1.00.

Montpelier-S. suffused light purple-blue; F. strongly veined and stippled with a deeper color on a white back ground. There is more of the unusual, coupled with style and dignity in this Plicata than in any other that I have seen. A striking and beautiful bloom of exceptionally fine shape. Growth moderate. 28-30 ins. \$6.00.

Rozanna-A charming blend of pinkish-lilac, fawn and yellow suffusions, generally described as a lilac peaches-and-cream combination. Medium size blooms on 30 in. stalks. $\$ 3.00$.

Senatobia-S. dark violet; F. deep, dusky, black purple; large blooms of fine shape, and the darkest in my gardens, excepting perhaps Madame Gaudichau. Admired by all those who like dark colors. H. M. by the A. I. S., Washington, 1924. Growth moderate, $30-32$ ins. $\$ 3.00$.

Topazin-Both S. and F. a shade of coppery-yellow or buff-yellow; very unusual and attractive and rich in coloring. Its beauty grows on you and it is richer than any clear yellow that I have seen. Medium sized blooms on $24-26$ ins. stalks. H. M. by the A. I. S., Washington, 1926. Entire available stock controlled by Mrs. Louise K. Clabaugh, Somerset, Chevy Chase, M.d., from whom it may be secured.

In the descriptions above, " $F$ " is used for the "falls" or lower petals; "S" for the "standards" or upright petals. "H. M." means "Honorable Mention" by the American Iris Society and this is the highest award bestowed by the Society upon any seedling at any of the exhibitions.

## AN INTERESTING BOOK!

IRIS IN THE LITTLE GARDEN-by Ella Porter McKinney.
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## IRIS COLLECTIONS

No. 1-
For those beginning the fascinating culture of Irises a collection of the following twelve named varieties will be sent for $\$ 2.50$ (the values taken separately amount to $\$ 4.80$ ):-Fenella, Innocenza, Parisiana, Amas, Swatara, Madame Chereau, Tamerlane, Leonidas, Queen Alexandra, Arnols, Jacquesiana, Flavescens.

No. 2-
Another collection, differing from No. 1, of the following, will be sent for $\$ 3.00$ (taken separately the values amount to $\$ 4.80$ ):Ma Mie, Windham, Quaker Lady, Fairy, Anne Leslie, Rhein Nixe, Her Majesty, Albert Victor, Mandalay, Alcazar, Lohengrin, Empire.

No. 3-
This includes some of the very best of the low priced ones. Price $\$ 3.50$ (taken separately the values amount to $\$ 4.80$ ):-Afterglow, Caterina, Iris King, Princess Beatrice, Lewis Trowbridge, Eldorado, Baronet, Pauline, Rhein Nixe, Archeveque, Madame Chobaut, Myth.

No. 4-
Made up of some of the finest in the Price List. Price $\$ 6.00$ (taken separately the values amount to $\$ 7.75$ ):-Kashmir White, Dream, Edouard Michel, Ballerine, Crusader, Sindjkha, Delicatissima, Queen Caterina, Ambassadeur, Shekinah, Prospero, Virginia Moore.

No. 5-
Contains some of the finest in the Price List. Price $\$ 8.50$ (taken separately they amount to $\$ 10.45$ ):-Princess Beatrice, Kashmir White, Imperator, Dream, Lycaena, Damozel, M. Gaudichau, Melrose, Ballerine, Mother of Pearl, M. Schwartz, Ambassadeur.

No. 6-
Another collection containing some of the finest varieties. Price $\$ 9.00$ (taken separately they amount to $\$ 11.75$ ):-Arlington, Magnifica, Prospero, Flammenschwert, Mme. Cheri, L. A. Williamson, Ochracea, Shekinah, Caterina, Jean Chevreau, Sophronia, Lycaena.

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Orders of less than one dollar are respectfully declined.
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Five per cent discount on all orders of $\$ 10.00$ and up to $\$ 20.00$; ten per cent discount on orders of $\$ 20.00$ or over. These discounts do not include the collections described and listed on a preceding page.

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Orders from persons known to me will be accepted by telephone or telegraph. The phone is via Washington, D. C., "Clarendon 1832." Telegrams should be addressed, via Washington, to "H. P. Simpson, phone Clarendon 1832, Cherrydale, Va."

Shipping Times: In the spring from about March 20 to May 1; then comes a gap to cover the blooming period when no shipments are made. Summer or fall shipments begin about June 20 and continue until freezing weather. Spring planting is perfectly safe, though July, August and September are the best months for doing this.

Sizes of Rhizomes: They are as large as is possible to furnish for the prices asked, and satisfaction is absolutely guaranteed to all reasonable purchasers. However, some varieties naturally grow small rhizomes while others grow large ones, so please keep this in mind. If small, two are frequently sent for the price of one, but of course the rarity of the variety will govern this practice to some extent.

Prices: A minimum price of 40 c has been fixed for single roots; it has been found not possible to charge any less for them and make a profit on it. Note, however, in the case of the standard or older varieties, that the prices suffer a sharp reduction when quantities of three or more of the same variety are ordered. Considering the
quality of the stock sent out the prices are very reasonable: they could be lower if small roots were sent, but I am not doing business of this character-the Simpson Garden roots are of a superior quality, they are of the kind that discriminating garden owners like to receive and they are not to be classed with 'nubbins' nor the thumb-nail sizes. They have achieved a reputation wherever they have gone, and the intention is that this reputation must be maintained.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF THE SIMPSON GARDENS

The Gardens have not moved but the postal authorities now route our mail through Cherrydale, Va., in place of Rosslyn, Va., and are thereby giving us city delivery, i. e., two mails a day. Please note the full address as given elsewhere.


## HANDBOOKS ON THE IRIS

See also 'Iris in the Little Garden' mentioned on another page.

THE IRIS-by John C. Wister.

A treatise on the history, development and culture of the Iris for the amateur gardener, by the president of the American Iris Society.

122 pages; illustrated. Price $\$ 1.25$, postpaid.

This little book describes in a very clear way the simple requirements of this wonderful flower. The Appendix is of unusual value in that many recommended varieties are named not only in the great bearded class but in other classes; the 'Black List' given there is of the varieties recommended for discard by the national society and
 this is of value and interest to us all.

IRISES-by F. F. Rockwell.
With an introduction by R. S. Sturtevant, Editor, American Iris Society.

80 pages; 54 illustrations. Price $\$ 1.00$, postpaid.

A handy guide which will do much to bring success with Irises as well as to show new uses and effects possible with them. Describes the dwarf, early, German, Japanese, Siberian, water, crested, Spanish, English, Dutch and other types; tells the best soils; what fertilizers to use; how to plant; and what care is necessary. Tells how to propagate stock for your
 own use.

Either book given free with an order amounting to as much as $\$ 12.00$, provided the regular five per cent discount mentioned under 'Read Before Ordering' is not claimed, nor the 'Collections' included in totalling up.


[^0]:    * Of use to hybridizers or collectors only.

