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# A WONDERFUL IRIS

## at a Popular Price



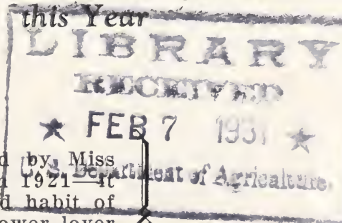
*Mother of Pearl*

THIS beautiful Iris is undoubtedly one of the world's best. In addition to its wonderful substance and delicate beauty, it is a most vigorous grower and prolific bloomer. The following description can not begin to do the flower justice—it must be seen to be appreciated.

### DESCRIPTION

The standards and falls are pale bluish lavender with a faint creamy undertone. This creamy undertone often assumes the luster and iridescence which we see in the beautiful lining of many of the sea shells which produce "Mother of Pearl." The plant is tall, a vigorous grower and a profuse bloomer. One admirer writes, "My Mother of Pearl Irises are by far the handsomest I have ever seen. Four and five blooms on tall graceful stalks." Another writes, "My Mother of Pearl is now blooming—one gorgeous stalk, forty inches tall, with five beautiful blooms on it. The coloring is exquisite."

You Should Add "Mother of Pearl" to Your Garden



The first plants of this wonderful Iris, originated by Miss Grace Sturtevant, were first placed on the market in 1921 and sold then at \$25.00 for a single root. Its splendid habit of increase has made it possible to offer it to every flower lover at a popular price.

50 cents each—Six Roots for \$2.50

Russell's Gardens

# SUNNY CREST GARDENS

IRIS SPECIALISTS

4710 Douglas Ave., Des Moines, Iowa



**M**ODERN Irises owe their increasing popularity to their ease of cultivation, their remarkable range of colors and the outstanding improvement of the newer varieties over the common "blue flags" of grandmother's day. They are hardy in almost any location, requiring very little care and attention. The varied colors of the different varieties readily adapt them to many beautiful garden arrangements. Complete planting instructions will accompany every shipment. The prices quoted include all transportation charges.

**AMBASSADEUR**

One of the world's best Irises. Outstanding in color, quality, and growing habit. See back cover page. \$1.00 each

**ANNA FARR**

Always a popular Iris. Its large white blooms of good quality and substance, with their artistically pencilled edges in pale blue, readily create admiration. \$1.00 each

**ARCHEVEQUE**

The outstanding red violet color of this Iris makes a distinctive planting in any garden. .25 each

**AZURE**

A strong vigorous Iris which produces a rich purple bloom of fair size and good quality. .50 each

**ARMENIAN**

The color combination of this Iris is very pleasing. The standards or upper petals are a rosy salmon-flesh color, while the falls or lower petals have light yellow markings on a red-violet ground. .25 each

**CLIO**

One of the best landscape Irises. Strong, hardy, vigorous grower. It produces a profusion of steel-blue blooms over a long blooming season. Its tall, vigorous growing habit and luxuriant foliage adapt it to mass and border plantings. .35 each

**CLUNY**

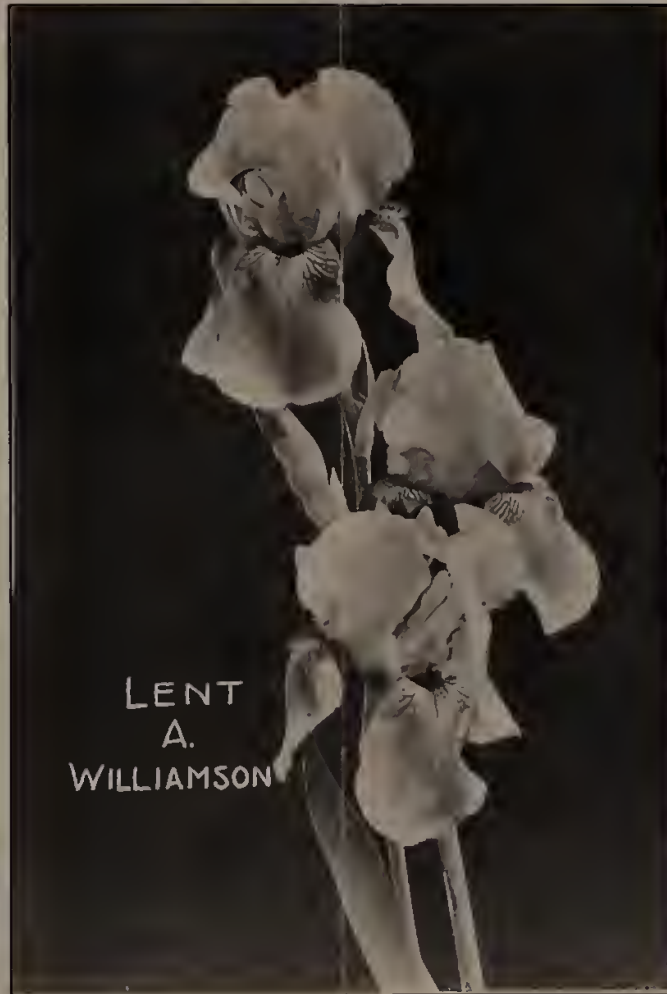
A tall Iris which produces light bluish-lavender blooms of good size. Has a splendid vigorous growing habit. .75 each

**COLONEL CANDELLOT**

One of the very few Irises approaching red in color. It is small in size but very outstanding in color. .50 each

**DREAM**

One of the most popular of the pink toned Irises. A most desirable variety. \$1.00 each



**LENT A. WILLIAMSON**

This Iris is always included in a group of the world's best. Its large blooms of lavender-violet and royal purple with a brilliant orange beard present a color combination that is both pleasing and striking. .75 each

**DALILA**

The white standards with their delicate tint of lilac coloring form an artistic contrast to the rich red-violet of the falls or lower petals. A very popular variety. .35 each

**JUNIATA**

A splendid Iris for border and mass planting. A tall vigorous grower, producing its large clear blue flowers in profusion. .25 each

**MA MIE**

A white Iris with a blue pencilled edge, similar to Anna Farr, but more vigorous in growth. .35 each

**MIRANDA**

A splendid garden Iris. Tall, vigorous grower, producing a profusion of rich violet-purple blooms on well branched stems. .75 each

**MOTHER OF PEARL**

The best known of the newer Irises. See front cover page. .50 each

**PARC DE NEUILLY**

An Iris well suited for mass plantings. Its rich purple blooms are most striking in mass effect. .35 each

**POCAHONTAS**

A tall vigorous Iris pure white, bordered pale violet. .35 each

**PROSPERO**

A tall Iris of exceptional merit. Its blooms are of splendid size of a most pleasing combination of pale lavender and deep violet-purple. It has a strong golden yellow beard. \$1.00

**QUAKER LADY**

The beautiful color combination of this Iris makes it one of the most pleasing varieties. The standards, smoky lavender tinged yellow, blend artistically with the blue and old gold coloring of the falls. .25 each

**ROSEWAY**

One of the few Irises giving a good rose tone color. A strong vigorous clump is very effective. .75 each

**RHEIN NIXE**

The striking contrast of the pure white standards of this Iris with the deep violet-blue falls is most pleasing. A tall vigorous grower and prolific bloomer. .25 each

**TECTORUM**

The celebrated roof Iris of Japan. It carries a well defined crest instead of a beard, which makes it a novelty in any planting. A pleasing shade of blue. .50 each

**TAMAR**

One of the tallest Irises. It has a pleasing color of rose-lilac, although the bloom is medium in size. .25 each

**WHITE QUEEN**

One of the most prolific bloomers in our collection. It gives a mass of clear white bloom over a long blooming season. \$1.00 each

# AMBASSADEUR . . . An Aristocrat

## Among Irises



This is a majestic Iris, majestic in its color, majestic in its substance, majestic in its size and majestic in its growing habit. It is one of the greatest Irises in the world, regardless of price. A variety you will be proud to show your friends and neighbors, and one that will merit a place in any flower show.

**This season's special  
An exceptional value  
\$1.00 each**

*Plants only offered for July  
and August delivery.*



### A Picture Ready for Framing

We think so much of this majestic Iris, that we have prepared a picture of it in full colors, 9" x 15", which we will gladly mail to your address for fifteen cents. These pictures are now ready for mailing, and we are confident you will be delighted with the life-sized reproduction of one of the world's best Irises.