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# GLORIOUS GLADIOLUS

THE BEAUTIFUL SWORD LILIES  
OF AMERICAN GARDENS



THE CHOICEST VARIETIES GROWN BY

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# FOREWORD

## THE FLOWER

**BEAUTY** is the synonym for gladioli. There is no flower of our gardens which can outrival it in stateliness, grace and endless variety of colorings. Its colors range from the purest white through the deepest self-shades. There are mottled, speckled and blotched ones without end.

**VARIETIES** are extremely numerous. A selection of the best can be made only by those who have had years of experience. It is our policy to give our customers the benefit of our knowledge and to list only those varieties which have received the highest awards by gladioli experts all over the country. Many of the older, well-known kinds have been eliminated to give place to their successful rivals. Our endeavor is to keep abreast of the marvelous development which American growers, each year, are bringing about in this flower.

**CULTURE.** There is no flower easier to raise than the gladiolus. In the spring the clean, round bulb is placed in the ground and nature and an occasional watering takes care of the rest. Even the production of prize-winning spikes is a simple matter and full directions are given with all bulbs we send out.

## THE BULB

**PEDIGREE** is back of every fine variety; but, however worthy the kind may be, one cannot hope to get good flowers if the bulbs have not been raised under the proper conditions of soil and climate. The Puget Sound country has been pronounced by experts to be the best bulb section in the world, Holland not excluded; and we spare no expense to give our bulbs the proper growing conditions.

**GUARANTEE.** We guarantee to furnish bulbs of unusual vitality, large blooming size and absolutely true to name. We will rectify, only too gladly, any mistakes that might happen, and will replace any bulbs that are not true to name. It must be mutually understood, however, that beyond this we will not be held responsible.

**PRICES.** Our prices are the lowest consistent with the quality of bulbs we send out. We have long since learned that poor seeds and bulbs are expensive at any price; and it is our aim to deal with our customers as we would be dealt with.

**100 Bulbs at 7 times the dozen rate**

**TERMS.** Cash with order where immediate delivery is to be made. When goods are held for future delivery, a deposit of one-fourth the amount is asked.

**DELIVERY** is usually by parcel post prepaid free to any part of the United States. Mail orders receive our most careful attention.

# A CHOICE SELECTION OF NAMED VARIETIES

This is a list chosen from the hundreds of varieties we grow and offer for sale. It represents the best in the gladiolus world.

The names in parentheses are those of the originators.

Primulinus is a particularly graceful type in which one of the upper petals forms more or less of a hood over the stamens.

## PINK SHADES

		Each Dozen
AH (Kunderd). Pale apricot-pink and yellow, buds similar to an ophelia rose .....	.25	2.50
AMERICAN BEAUTY (Diener). American Beauty rose with creamy yellow throat. A wonderful bouquet of blooms all open at once .....	.50	5.00
ATREUS (Kunderd). Deep rose-pink of unusually attractive shade .....	.25	2.50
BREAK O'DAY (Bill). La France pink, of massive size, extra early bloomer. One of the finest of all glads .....	15.00	
CATHERINE COLEMAN (Coleman). A sensationally large and exceedingly fine flower. Coral pink .....	1.00	10.00
DOROTHY McKIBBIN (Kunderd). Early bloomer. Light pink overlaid with deep rose on the edge of petals. Daintily ruffled .....	.10	1.00
ELIZABETH TABOR (Hinkle). Rose pink on white ground with dark crimson blotch on lower petals. One of the earliest glads to bloom .....	.50	5.00
E. J. SHAYLOR (Kunderd). Early bloomer. Heavily ruffled. Deep rose pink.	.10	1.00
EVELYN KIRTLAND (Austin). Shell pink with deep rose pink throat ...	.10	1.00
GIANT NYMPH (Coleman). A giant flower. Light rose pink with creamy yellow throat .....	.35	3.50
JENNY LIND (Dr. Hoeg). Soft apricot pink with yellow throat. The most beautiful coloring of any variety ..	.30	3.00
LE MARECHAL FOCH (Van Duessen). Salmon. Early bloomer. Enormous blossoms. Light pink. A superior flower in every way to popular America .....	.05	.50
LOS ANGELES (Houdyshel). Shrimp pink with orange carmine throat. Bulbs throw a great number of side spikes .....	.75	7.50
MAIDEN'S BLUSH (Grullemans). Primulinus. Very early. Delicate soft shade of pink. Beautiful .....	.10	1.00
MARSHAL FOCH (Kunderd). Salmon pink. Large round, wide open blossoms. We highly recommend this as one of the best .....	.20	2.00
MONA LISA (Kunderd). Most beautiful pale lavender pink. Ruffled .....	.15	1.50

MRS. DR. NORTON (Kunderd). Cream and pink in a wonderful blending ..	.10	1.00
MRS. H. E. BOTHIN (Diener). Flesh salmon pink with flame scarlet center. A finer coloring on the order of Mrs. Frank Pendleton .....	.25	2.50
MRS. LEON DOUGLAS (Diener). Begonia rose, striped with scarlet. Magnificent spikes of mammoth flowers..	1.00	10.00
MRS. J. K. ARMSBY (Diener). Coral pink, penciled vermillion. Extremely large flowers and spike .....	1.00	10.00
MRS. NEWELL VANDERBILT (Diener). Heavily ruffled salmon pink mottled with crimson. Wonderful, large spikes .....	.50	5.00
MYRTLE (Kunderd). Delicate rose pink with lighter throat. A charming flower .....	.10	1.00
1910 ROSE (Kunderd). Large pure rose pink with a narrow white line on lower petals. A color suitable for all occasions .....	.10	1.00
PEACH ROSE (Kunderd). Brilliant rose pink, darker throat, strikingly beautiful .....	.25	2.50
PINK WONDER (Kemp). Bright light pink with yellow at base of lower petals. Rose feathering. Huge flowers. A wonderful gladiolus .....	.20	2.00
RICHARD DIENER (Diener). Unquestionably the most beautiful pink to be found in any flower. Blossoms large and flaring and most beautifully arranged on spike .....	.50	5.00
SHELL PINK (Kunderd). The largest primulinus to date. Brilliant soft pink, exceptionally beautiful .....	.25	2.50
SUNSET (Diener). Pale rose pink flaked with bright rose red, yellow throat. Large, beautifully formed blooms..	.25	2.50
TYCKO ZANG (Austin). Clear salmon pink, glistening. Flowers five inches in diameter .....	3.00	30.00
W. H. PHIPPS (Diener). La France pink overlaid with light rose salmon. Enormous flowers almost all open at once. Given highest rating over all other varieties by American Gladiolus Society .....	5.00	50.00
WILLIAM KENT (Diener). Creamy shell pink with golden ochre center. Considered the finest ruffled variety in existence .....	2.50	

## SALMON AND ORANGE SHADES

ALICE TIPLADY (Kunderd). Primulinus. Extra large orange-saffron, especially recommended .....	.10	1.00
ANGOLA (Kunderd). Primulinus. Beautiful salmon pink. Ruffled .....	.05	.50
BOBOLINK (Kunderd). Orange tinted yellow with daffodil yellow throat. Extremely rich and beautiful .....	.25	2.50

	Each Dozen	
<b>BUTTERFLY</b> (Burbank). Beautiful yellow-orange with a distinctive butterfly marking on lower petals . . . . .	.10	1.00
<b>BUTTERFLY</b> (Kunderd). Primulinus Salmon-yellow beautifully ruffled . .	.10	1.00
<b>D. J. WHITNEY</b> (Diener). Salmon feathered with rose-salmon. Giant flowers blooming early . . . . .	.50	5.00
<b>GLADDIE BOY</b> (Bill). Grenadine pink blending to straw yellow. One of the most brilliant and beautiful color combinations. Petals gracefully frilled. Many blossoms open at a time . . . . .	7.00	
<b>JACK LONDON</b> (Diener). Light salmon overlaid with orange . . . . .	.15	1.50
<b>JEWELL</b> (Zeestraten). Primulinus. Bright pink and gold in beautiful contrast . . . . .	.25	2.50
<b>KATHERINE S. HESS</b> (Diener). Orange-salmon, lighter shade in throat. Tall, massive spikes . . . . .	.25	2.50
<b>MAJESTIC</b> (Velthuys). Clear red-orange with white lines on lower petals. Wide open. Gorgeous . . . . .	.15	1.50
<b>MING TOY</b> (Kunderd). Primulinus. Large open bloom of buff and saffron . . . . .	.35	3.50
<b>MISS SPOKANE</b> (Kunderd). Huge, wide-open flowers of a deep orange-pink. Magnificent . . . . .	.25	2.50
<b>MYRA</b> (Kunderd). Giant-flowered primulinus. Deep salmon with rich throat. Very showy . . . . .	.10	1.00
<b>ODIN</b> (Heemskerk). Large, round, open blossom of salmon with small red blotch in throat . . . . .	.15	1.50
<b>ORANGE GLORY</b> (Kunderd). Large ruffled orange . . . . .	.15	1.50
<b>ORANGE QUEEN</b> . Large primulinus. The most beautiful orange prim. to date. Copper orange self color . .	.50	5.00
<b>POLA NEGRI</b> (Diener). Apricot with yellow lip. Rose and salmon on edges. Beautiful color combination . . . . .	.50	5.00
<b>PRIMUMELLA</b> (Kunderd). Primulinus. Ruffled. Orange saffron . . . . .	.15	1.50
<b>PRINCE OF WALES</b> (Van Zanten). Beautiful shade of salmon with yellow in throat. Especially recommended . . . . .	.10	1.00
<b>ROSALIA</b> (Kunderd). Primulinus. Orange and yellow. Much ruffled. Greatly attractive . . . . .	.25	2.50
<b>RUBINI</b> (Heemskerk). Large glistening orange with white eye . . . . .	.20	2.00
<b>SALMON BEAUTY</b> (Kunderd). Primulinus. Large deep-salmon with golden throat . . . . .	.10	1.00
<b>SHEILA</b> (Coleman). A new rich salmon. Huge flowers well placed on the spike . . . . .	.20	2.00

## RED SHADES

<b>ARABIA</b> (Hinkle). The blackest of all. Dark mahogany red of velvety sheen. Tall, massive spike . . . . .	1.00	10.00
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ARDEN (Kunderd). Primulinus. Large deep watermelon red, beautifully ruffled .....	.15	1.50
CAPELLA (Kunderd). Primulinus. Very large blooms of bright red .....	.15	1.50
CAPTAIN A. C. BAKER (Diener). Brilliant crimson .....	.05	.50
CHATEAU THIERRY (Vos). Large light scarlet of distinctive beauty. Striking butterfly blotch on lower petals .....	.15	1.50
CRIMSON GLOW (Betcher). Brilliant crimson with velvety sheen. Large and grand .....	.10	1.00
DIANA (Zeestraten). A new sensational red, one of the finest in cultivation..	.20	2.00
DR. F. E. BENNETT (Diener). Flame orange red. The grandest red in existence. Perfect spikes .....	3.00	
JOE COLEMAN (Kunderd). A beautiful ruffled red of perfect form .....	.10	1.00
NEOGA (Kunderd). Dark garnet. Half-ruffled. Very attractive .....	.10	1.00
PURPLE GLORY (Kunderd). Gigantic blooms of deep maroon red. A wonderful exhibition variety .....	.25	2.50
RED FIRE (Kunderd). Dazzling bright red appearing almost self-luminous	.35	3.50
SCARLANO (Kunderd). Brilliant orange-red. We consider this one of the finest .....	.20	2.00
SCARLET PRINCEPS (Kunderd). Round, wide-open blossoms of a beautiful soft scarlet. Highly recommended..	.15	1.50
SPLENDORRA (Kunderd). The most velvety gladiolus we have ever seen. Dark maroon. Ruffled .....	.20	2.00

## PURPLE AND LAVENDER SHADES

ADALINA PATTI (Keur). Dark violet with mottled throat. Buds almost black. Unusual .....	.50	5.00
ANNA EBERIUS (Diener). Velvety purple flaked deeper purple .....	.15	1.50
BLUE LILY (Kunderd). This contrasted with BOBOLINK makes the most beautiful combination imaginable Lavender-blue .....	.25	2.50
BYRON L. SMITH (Kunderd). Orchid lavender with yellow throat. Unsurpassed coloring .....	.15	1.50
COSTA RICA (Diener). Lavender tinged deeper on the edges. Ruffled. Beautifully formed spikes .....	.15	1.50
GERALDINE FARRAR (Diener). Pale lavender violet with deep violet spot on lip. Very vigorous .....	10.00	
HERADA (Austin). Pure mauve or deep lilac. Beautiful .....	.10	1.00
LOUISE (Wright). Bright lavender with maroon blotch. Large. Very pleasing	.15	1.50
MARY FENNEL (Kunderd). Light lavender tinged pink with yellow throat	.10	1.00



MRS. F. C. PETERS (Fisher). Beautiful rose lilac with crimson blotch bordered white on lower petals. Large..	.35	3.50
MURIEL (Pfitzer). Light lavender shading to white in throat, blotched with a deeper shade on lower lip. Sur- passingly beautiful .....	.20	2.00
REV. EWBANK (Velthuys). Light lavender or porcelain blue. Beautiful..	.20	2.00

## YELLOW SHADES

FLORA (Velthuys). Tall, light yellow..	.10	1.00
GOLD (Hceg). A true large-blossomed golden yellow gladiolus .....	.20	2.00
GOLDEN MEASURE (Kelway). The largest golden yellow gladiolus ....	.20	2.00
GOLDEN SWALLOW (Austin). Richest daffodil yellow on petals, swallow- like in formation. A new creation..	.50	5.00
GOLDEN WEDDING. Primulinus. Bright yellow overlaid salmon. Very artistic	.05	.50
GOLD DROP (Kunderd). Primulinus. Very large light yellow. Early ....	.15	1.50
MORNING GLORY (Vos). Light lemon yellow with small, beautiful splash of scarlet in throat .....	.15	1.50
POLLYANNA (Prestgard). Finely waved petals of beautiful golden yellow ..	.20	2.00
SOUVENIR (Yonkheer). Primulinus. New. A real deep golden yellow ....	.15	1.50
YELLOW TREASURE (Austin). Primu- linus, ruffled. Deepest golden yellow. Highest award by the American Gladiolus Society, 1923 .....	.25	2.50

## WHITE

ALBANIA (Kemp). Unquestionably one of the finest whites in cultivation ..	.25	2.50
ELF (Diener). Lemon yellow bud. Snow- white blossoms, lemon yellow tipped	.25	2.50
ELORA (Burbank). Unusually large ivory-white blooms with an attrac- tive throat of pink and cream .....	.25	2.50
EUROPA (Pfitzer). A fine pure white..	.15	1.50
L'IMMACULEE. Pure white. Lily form. Tall and stately .....	.15	1.50
MARY PICKFORD (Kunderd). Soft creamy white with sulphur yellow throat .....	.15	1.50
MR. H. A. HYDE (Diener). Large hand- somely built spikes of white flowers flaked pink .....	.50	5.00
THOTH (Kunderd). Large primulinus. White with cream throat. Very attractive .....	.15	1.50
SNOW GLORY (Kunderd). A flower of rare refinement. Pure white with delicate blue lines in throat. Ruffled	2.00	20.00
SWEETHEART (Kemp). Large primu- linus, very large creamy white flowers .....	.25	2.50
VENTURA (Kunderd). A pure ruffled white with colored throat .....	.25	2.50
WHITE CITY. An enormous white bloom of rare beauty. New .....	.25	2.50

## ODD SHADES

		Each Dozen
JOHN T. PIRIE (Kunderd). Mahogany brown with brown throat bordered yellow. Rare and attractive .....	.50	5.00
PRINCE OF INDIA. Ashes of roses with dark blue and smoky grey markings. Admired by everyone ..	.50	5.00
ROSE ASH (Diener). Ashes of roses, a color attracting a great deal of attention. Large stately spikes ....	.15	1.50
ROSS VALLEY (Diener). Ashes of roses with unusually attractive throat	.10	1.00

## MIXTURES

		Hundred Dozen
CHOICE MIXTURES OF ONLY FINE NAMED VARIETIES .....	.75	5.00
CHOICE MIXTURE OF PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS .....	.50	4.00
CHOICE MIXTURE OF NAMED VARIETIES AND SEEDLINGS .....		2.50

## COLLECTIONS

- 3 bulbs PRINCE OF WALES (salmon).
- 3 bulbs 1910 ROSE (rose pink).
- 3 bulbs BYRON L. SMITH (orchid lavender)
- 3 bulbs CRIMSON GLOW (brilliant crimson).

The above 12 bulbs, value \$1.35, sent prepaid for \$1.00.

- 3 bulbs JENNY LIND (pink and gold).
- 3 bulbs MRS. F. C. PETERS' (large lavender).
- 3 bulbs POLLYANNA (ruffled gold).
- 3 bulbs MISS SPOKANE (ruffled orange-pink).

The above 12 gladiolus aristocrats, value \$3.30, sent prepaid for \$3.00.

- 12 bulbs ALICE TIPLADY (saffron orange).
- 12 bulbs MAIDEN'S BLUSH (soft deep pink).
- 12 bulbs GOLDEN WEDDING (golden yellow).
- 12 bulbs ANGOLA (salmon buff).

The above 48 primulinus hybrids, value \$3.00, sent prepaid for \$2.50.



Bulb gardens on Lake Washington Boulevard near Medina. Visitors welcome.

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