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# KELSEY NURSERY SERVICE

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## The Truth about Tulips in War-time

Due to shortages, there is great confusion in price and size. Many firms do not state size at all, merely "large flowering", "Jumbo" and such vague specifications. One centimetre in circumference (about 1/8 inch diameter) may seem a trifle but it affects price about 20% or more ! And has an equal effect upon the flower-as in the photo on the next page.

We are offering two sizes between 4 and 5 inches in circumference:- (1) The largest available in quantity, 11 to 12 centimetres full measure. (2) The next size lower--the smallest good flowering bulb--10 to 11 centimetres. Since many "bargain" offers are based on still smaller than these we suggest you insist on a guarantee of size before comparing price. Our prices are well in line for the same sizes.

### British-American Bulbs this Autumn

With Holland supplies cut off, English growers are again shipping to America their entire supply-usually insufficient for themselves. These fine, healthy bulbs, together with the products of our own bulb farms of the better sort, provide the supply upon which our list is based. Quality is little if any below the finest Holland-grown Tulips. Many conservative gardeners wedded to "Dutch Bulbs" were agreeably surprised last spring.

The alliance of English and American growers cannot produce a tenth of the former Dutch supply. Therefore there will not be enough to go 'round. Order now !

## Kelsey Nursery Service

PS: Our Autumn Price-list of evergreens, trees and shrubs will be mailed as usual about September 1st.



## ORDER TULIPS NOW All varieties are at 50 at 100 rate: Minimum order 50 Tulip Bulbs the same low Prices

10 to 11 11 to 12 centimetres centimetres

per 100 all one kind per 100 several kinds

\$6.00 \$7.00

7.00 (not less than 10 of one kind)

### Darwin Julips

Extra strong vigorous stems and large showy blooms. The showiest tulips. (SPECIAL MIXTURE 10-11 cm. bulbs all (colors, 100 for \$4.95 100 minimum.

BARONNE DE LA TONNAYE Bright rose with blush margins

Clear pink, flushed salmon. Inside much desper. Blue base.

EUROPE

Scarlet red. Good size blooms. GIANT

Reddish purple, shaded violet. White base Enormous flower, tall stem. GLOW

Glowing crimson bloom.

HARRY VEITCH

Dark red-brown with blue base. KING HAROLD

Deep ox-blood red; purple-black base. MRS.KRELAGE

Lilac rose with paler edges.

MRS. POTTER PALMER

Glowing purple. Good strong color. PHILLIPPE DE COMINES

Velvety dark purple.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH Lovely, clear, deep pink with white base. PROFESSOR RAUWENHOFF

Large cherry-red, scarlet inside. Bright blue base.

REV.H.EWBANK

Shaded mauve. Superb with yellow tulips. THE SULTAN

Dark maroon, almost black. Popular.

WILLIAM COPELAND Lilac rose. A few days earlier.

WILLIAM PITT Dark crimson; white base starred blue.

### Single Early Tulips

Bloom two weeks before the Darwins. Gay, dainty and brilliant.

Brilliant scarlet with yellow center. BRILLIANT STAR

Large crimson-scarlet.

Large pale primrose-yellow.

Large golden-yellow. FRED MOORE

Deep, ruddy apricot, edged orange.

Pale yellow with thin red edge. Bright, deep pink. Good substance. WHITE SWAN

Large pure white. Strong stems.

### Cottage Tulips

Long slender sturdy stems. Smaller than most Darwins, but last year after year in the flower border.

8.50

SPECIAL MIXTURE 10-11 cm. bulbs all ( colors, 100 for \$4.95 100 minimum.

Deep gold, pencilled orange. BOUTON D'OR

Showy yellow, striking black anthers. BRIGHTNESS

Bright scarlet with white center. CALEDONIA

Orange-scarlet with black center. ELLEN WILMOTT

Soft yellow, fragrant. Large flowers. GESNERIANA LUTEA

Pure golden yellow. GESNERIANA MAJOR

Crimson with striking black center. GOLDEN CROWN Yellow with red line edging petals.

GRENADIER Dazzling orange with yellow base.

INGLESCOMBE PINK Bright salmon-pink with blue base.

As tall as most Darwins. INGLESCOMBE YELLOW Large glossy canary-yellow. Also tall. LA MERVEILLE

Orange-scarlet. Fragrant.

Long pointed white; thin pink edge. Luminous crimson-scarlet. Tall stem.

## Triumph Tulips

Bloom between earlies and Darwins.

Purple mauve, paler edge. Rosy red with orange edge. Sturdy.

Breeder Tulips

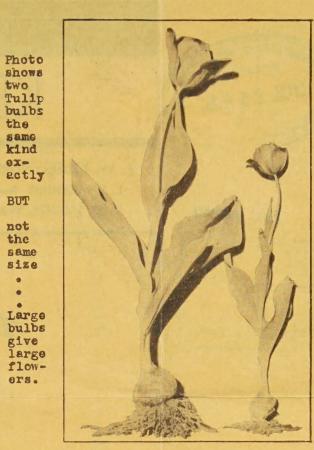
The most artistic of tulips. Sombre odd color tones.

Buff within, center bright lemon; outside purplish-fawn. Large bloom. PRINCE OF ORANGE Terra-cotta, orange edge. Base yellow

streaked green. Large . Good substance.

### Parrot Tulips

Glowing crimson cup with petals beautifully fringed. Tall stem.



### Grape Hyacinths - Muscari

Dainty flowers open with the Crocus and the drifts of blue are immense-

### Wood Hyacinths - Scilla

Thrive in bare shady places, under evergreen trees, where few other plants will thrive. Fine naturalizing subjects or in rock gardens.
(25) (100)

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CAMPANULATA WHITE	. \$2.00	\$7.00
CAMPANULATA BLUE	. 1.75	6.50
NUTANS (Scots Bluebell)		6.00
NUTANS ALBA (White)	. 2.00	7.00
SIBERICA (Squill)	. 2.00	7.00

### Lilies for Fall Planting

Here are easy-to-grow kinds for thrill next summer. All are available by or before early November and suitable for autumn planting. 10 or 25 or

	more	more
CANDIDUM (Madonna Lily)	\$2.50	
CANDIDUM (Madonna Lily) Fragrant, pure white	25¢	20¢
FORMOSANUM	23¢	18¢
HENRYI	30€	28¢
Orange in August. Tall. REGALE Large fragrant ivory.	25¢	23⊄
Shaded pink, based yellow. TENUIFOLIUM	184	14¢
Scarlet in June. Small.	100	777
TIGRINUM flora plena Native Tiger Lily, but double flowers.	20¢	17¢
TIGRINUM splendens Familiar orange and black	16¢	13¢
but larger, brighter. UMBELLATUM ERECTUM Reddish tones in July	20¢	16¢

## NARCISSUS Our Prices are for Double-nose Bulbs

Minimum order 10 narcissus bulbs of one kind. 50 at 100 rates.

## Short Trumpet Narcissus

Strong double-nose bulbs ....\$0.80 7.00

INCOMPARABILIS (Medium cup)

All yellow. Dainty. BERNARDINO

Creamy, edges orange stained. Fluted.

GLORIA MUNDI All yellow, red stain on cup.

Orange crown and cream perianth. Extra large yellow cup; primrose petals.

#### BARRI (Short cup)

AT.BATROS Lemon cup on white perianth. BLOOD ORANGE

Orange cup on lemon-yellow perianth.

Tall plant. Spreading perianth of yellow. Cup darker yellow, scarlet edged.

perianth with yellow cup; red edged.

Red cup on a creamy perianth. Freeflowering, tall, late. Pure white

LEEDSI (White with white or primrose)

EVANGELINE

Starry, white perianth. Lemon crown. MRS.LANGTRY

Primrose crown on creamy perianth. QUEEN OF THE NORTH Fluted lemon cup on broad white perianth. Substantial flower.

Nice yellow on white bloom.

#### POETICUS (Small flat crowns. Fragrant)

GLORY OF LISSE

HORACE

Red-rimmed cup on white perianth. Red cup on white. Large flower.

White star-shaped perianth. Cup is yellow, red-rimmed. Free-blooming. RECURVUS (Pheasant's Eye) Pure white recurving petals. Cup edged

scarlet. Sweet scented.

## Long Trumpets "Daffodils"

Strong double-nose bulbs ....\$1.20 10.00

CHRISTMAS GLORY

Trumpet and perianth both yellow. Early.

Yellow trumpet, primrose perianth. EMPRESS Creamy petals; canary-yellow trumpet.

GOLDEN SPUR All yellow. Vigorous. Popular.

GLORY OF SASSENHEIM Golden trumpet on white periantn.

Gold throughout. Large. Vigorous.

### Mixed by Classes

Fine assortments containing many expensive kinds, all double-nose bulbs.

	(100)
INCOMPARABILIS	\$ 5.00
BARRI	5.00
LEEDSI	
TRUMPET TYPES ONLY	6.50

## Narcissus Naturalizing Mixture

The greatest garden value is obtained by not confining Narcissus to the garden at all! Let them run along your driveway, in the meadow, under fences and around and among shrub groups.

They are prolific bloomers and last with no care at all for six to eight years where first placed. No special cultural specifications.

However not all varieties will thus take care of themselves. It is important that only the right kinds are in such a mixture. We offer the following very special assortment of all kinds suitable -trumpets and small cups both. These are round-nose bulbs, not double-nose. exactly right for the purpose:

100 for \$3.00

(1000, no less, for \$22.50)

## We can quote Many Other Varieties not listed here

## Spring Crocus

The Dutch Crocus is the showlest of all the really early flowers in spring. Not too plentiful, but enough for the early orders anyway. Mixtures only, no named kinds because of uncertainty of supply.

BLUES AND PURPLES	••••	\$ 2.00	\$7.00	
WHITESYELLOWS	••••	2.00	7.00	
STRIPED KINDS	••••	2.00	7.00	

## Snowdrops - Galanthus

Bloom right after the Crocus.Remain a life-time in faithful bloom.

GALANTHUS NIVALIS .....\$ 2.00 (100 or more at 7½ cents each)

### Autumn Colchicum

AUTUMNALE MAJOR											(25)
BORNMULLERI	•	•	•	•	•	• •	I	•		•	\$12.50
DOLLINGODDELLT											12.00

Kelsey Nursery Service 50 Church Street, New York, N. Y. Established 1878

TERMS: Prices net, transportation at cost unless specially included in listed price.

DISCOUNTS: Large quantities will be quoted on request.

CLAIMS: Must be reported within 10 days. In no case are we responsible for more than original amount of invoice.

## THIS IS YOUR COPY OF OUR Bulb Price-list

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICU

Plant Industry

U.S.Dept of Agriculture, Washington,

## Everblooming Iris

#### Three Best Everbloomers

Jean Siret—New Yellow dwarf, that begins early in spring with other miniatures and continues all spring. Then sporadically all summer they burst into bloom anew. When September comes, they begin a second long flowering season, being showy until late frost in Novem-ber. (Postpaid 25c each.)

Souvenir de Lt. Chauvagnac-The same extraordinary blooming characteristics as Siret, but a rich violet and pleasantly fragrant. (Postpaid 40c each.)

Golden Cataract—Rich golden yellow. Grand. (Postpaid 60c.)

#### OTHER EVERBLOOMING IRIS

2 (one kind) for 30c 10 (one kind) for \$1.20

Postpaid

Autumn King. Typical lavender-blue bic-good form. 36 in.

Autumn Surprise. All blue.

Eleanor Roosevelt. A deep red-violet, solid color.

.30

.40

.50

#### Bloom in Fall as Well as Spring!

#### Bargains in Old-Fashioned "German" Iris

(Many originally sold from \$5.00 to \$25.00 each.) 2 for 30c (one kind); 10 (one kind) \$1.20; (Postpaid).

Alice Horsfall—Red-purple.
Aphrodite—Lilac-pink.
Baldwin—Solid violet.
Cinnabar—Violet; marcon.
Coronation—Good yellow.
Chrysoro—Early yellow.
Dr. Chas. Mayo—Pink tones.
Euphony—Ruffled copper.
Geo. P. Baker—Tall yellow.
Gleam—Tall soft blue.
Helios—Large yellow.
Hermene—Soft rose pink.
Indian Chief—Red-purple.
King Tut—Red-brown.
Magenta—Solid purple.

Midgard—Yellow; pink.
Morning Dove—Grey;blue.
Morning Splendor—Purple.
Nebraska—Late yellow.
Princess Beatrice—Lavender.
Princess Osra—White, dotted.
Rene Cayeux—White; violet.
Rheingauperie—Orchid-pink.
Selene—Extra large white.
Simone Vassiers—Large blue.
Snow White—Large white.
Spark—Early fiery red.
Taj Mahal—Fine white.
Thuratus—Solid purple.
Vesper Gold—Yellow tones.

MINIATURES (PUMILA)
Early and tiny. 2 for 35c, (post1), 10 for \$1.25 of any one kind:
violacea. (purple); Fairy (Sky); Orange Queen; The Bride

JAPANESE IRIS ixed, but all named, showy varieties (not labelled) 12 for \$2.25, postpaid. IRIS CRISTA (Dwarf)

8 inches high, Light Blue in May. 25c each, postpaid.

#### IRIS SIBERICA

3 foot plants, bloom in June, Emperor (violet); Perry's Blue (blue); Snow Queen (white). 25c each, postpaid.

## Six Solid Weeks of Peony Blooms

NEW YORK

The second bloom-

ing, which lasts

about a month in the

autumn, is produced

by the new root, off-

shoots formed in sum-

mer. Hence a little watering, cultivating and fertilizing in

summer increases the

fall show. Winter pro-

tection is good to prevent sun from striking the plants

during thaws.

#### Plant in September

Size-(No. eyes) 2-3 | 3-5 | 5-8 WHITES Festiva Maxima Mid-May \$.30 \$.20 \$.40 9.3 Large white Soule de Niege Late May .20 .40 8.0 Red edges Kelway's Glorious Early June 1.00 1.25 1.40 9.8 Fragrant, cream Mid-June .30 .40 .20 8.7 Blush-white Solange

9.7 Coffee & cream

	Nui	mber o	eyes	Number eyes					
PINKS	2-3	3-5	5-8	REDS	2-3	3-5	5-8		
Mons. Jules Elie 9.2 Large, dark	\$.20	\$.30	\$.40	Richard Carvel 8.8 Bright crim.	\$.40	\$.50	\$.60		
Eugene Verdier 8.3 Hydr'gea-pink	.20	.30	.40	Mary Brand 8.7 Deep, silky red	.40	.50	.60		
Therese 9.8 world's best pk.	.40	.50	.60	Karl Rosenfield   8.8 Dark crimson	.30	.40	.50		
BaronessSchroeder 9.0 Flesh-pink	.40	.50		Mme. Gaudichau 8.2 Dark crimson	.50	.60	.70		
Albert Crousse 8.6 Salmon-pink	.20	.30		Felix Crousse 8.4 Brilliant red	.20	.30	.40		

No order 5 Peonies.

Late June

Add 25¢ fer postage etc. on order less than \$2.00