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## Special Offer of Darwin Tulips

The Darwin Tulips are splendid beyond description, but are comparatively unknown. When they do become generally known, they will be by far the most popular of all spring flowering bulbs. They are tall and stately, the flowers of great size and substance, lasting fully twice as long as other Tulips, and their coloring exquisitely beautiful, ranging from pure white to almost black, including the loveliest shades of pink. crimson, lilac, violet, and peculiar colors impossible to describe.

Best of all, they are a permanent addition to the garden, as they improve year after year instead of deteriorating as many spring flowering bulbs do. One of Mr. Elliott's clients, who had spent over $\$ 50,000$ in the making of one of the finest country places in Pennsylvania, said, after he saw a few thousand of the Tulips in bloom on his grounds that they compensated him for his total expenditure.

We want everybody who is not familiar with these glorious flowers to try them. and to try the best of them, and not the cheap mixtures; and, with this end in view, we are offering fifteen of the very choicest and distinct varieties and finest bulbs in collections at a reduced price. We are confident this is the best advertisement we can make for our business, and that it will enormously increase the sale of these Tulips in future, for people who do know buy them by the hundreds and thousands.

## Collections of Named Darwin Tulips

Positively no order will be accepted for these collections after June 1 , igi8.
Collection No. I. I each of 15 choice and tested varieties, $\mathrm{I}_{5}$ in all
. $\$ 0.60$
Collection No. 2. 3 each of 15 choice and tested varieties, 45 in all

1. 65

Collection No. 3. 6 each of 15 choice and tested
varieties, go in all ................................. 30
Collection No. 4. 12 each of 15 choice and tester varieties, 180 in all
6.10


These prices do not include delivery, but bulbs will be sent by parcel post when requested and postage charged at cost.

## Prepared Holland Fiber

## FOR GROWING BULBS IN VASES, BOWLS, JARDINIERES, ETC., WITHOUT DRAINAGE

By using this Fiber instead of potting soil, when growing bulbs indoors, no drainage is required in the receptacle in which the bulbs are planted. Consequently carpet, furniture, etc., will not be soiled by the Fiber or water coming through the base of the receptacle.

This Fiber is carefully prepared for us in Holland. is clean and free from any odor, and contains sufficient plant nutrition for the bulbs until they have bloomed.

Wonderful success has been obtained by planting in this Fiber such bulbs as Dutch and Roman Hyacinths: PaperWhite, Chinese and other Narcissi; Tulips, Freesias, Crocuses, etc.
Bulbs, are planted in similar manner as we direct for planting bulbs in soil. It is not desirable, however, to press the Fiber too firmly, otherwise the roots do not
penetrate freely, and the bulbs may push themselyes upward out of the Fiber. Once planted, they require but little attention. only they must be kept moist. but on no account must it be sodden or too wet. The Fiber should never be permitted to become dry; if so, the pores of the roots close up, and failure is likely to result. Until the bulbs have sprouted about one inch, they should be kept in a dark, cool but airy cellar, room or pantry, then brought to the light, preferably where cool, but above the freezing point.

Bulb Fiber can also be used advantageously for planting bulbs in pots, as the Fiber does not dry out so readily as soil.

Half-peck, 40 cents; peck, 65 cents; half-bushel, $\$ 1.10$; bushel, $\$ 2.00$.

## Special Offer of Superbum Lilies

We make an annual contract to have 25,000 bulbs of this grand Lily grown for us. This enables us to offer it at low prices, which makes it available for naturalizing in quantity. It is unquestionably one of the most satisfactory Lilies that can be planted either in the garden or in meadows, on the edge of woods or in any rough or wild parts of the grounds, where it will take care of itself without any attention whatever after planting. It will also thrive in wet or swampy places. It is a grand Lily, often growing over 8 feet high, and produces twenty to thirty beautiful orange-red flowers in July, when flowers are apt to be rather scarce.
Prices of extra selected bulbs, $\$ 1.50$ per doz., $\$ 2.60$ for $25, \$ 10.00$ per 100, $\$ 24.00$ for 250 .

## Prices of Lilies

These prices include all charges except freight or express charges from Pittsburgh. The measurements given refer to circumference of bulbs, but the Japanese evidently use an elastic tape, as the bulbs never quite come up to the measurements given. I give these sizes as they are gnerally used by the trade. We guarantee safe delivery in good condition of all varieties except Auratum when shipped by express. We repack all Auratum Lilies when received and ship nothing but perfectly sound bulbs, but can not guarantee results in any way, or even that they will arrive in good condition.


Auratum Lillee. This variety is shipped at risk of customer.

|  |  | Per | 100 |
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| Auratum. | 8 to 9 inches | \$1. 75 | \$12.00 |
| 9 to II | inches | 2.50 | 18.00 |
| II to I3 | inches | 3.50 | 25.00 |

Longiflorum. Ready in November. Has large, pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers like the Bermuda Easter Lily, but is perfectly hardy.
6 to 8 inches ....................... . 1.20
7 to 9 inches
1.75

Speciosum album. White. 7 to 9 inches $\$ 2.00$
9 to 11 inches ..................... 3.00
II to 13 inches
4.00

Speciosum Melpomene. Similar to Roseum or Rubrum ; more brilliant in color.
7 to 9 inches
\$1. 85 \$I3.00
9 to II inches
$2.50 \quad 18.00$

Speciosum rubrum or roseum.


The Speciosum varieties are exceedingly beautiful and desirable and perfectly hardy and reliable.

## Special Notice

Lily bulbs will be forwarded as they arrive. As a rule we can furnish Candidum and Harrisii from end of August on. Canadense, Elegans, Longiflorum, Superbum and Tenuifolium and all American-grown Lilies, from end of September on. The entire balance of Japanese and European Lilies in November and December.

All varieties of Japanese Lilies except Longiflorum are usually received in November. They are liable to delays of steamers, freight blockades, etc., and we advise the preparation of the Lily beds or borders early in autumn, covering them with 4 to 6 inches of manure, leaves or litter of any kind. This will keep them open and admit of the planting of the bulbs even ir not received until December. No Lilies will be shipped after the 1 st of December unless special instructions are received to ship later, but order will be held and shipped early in the spring.

## Other Japanese Lilies

Batemani. Bright apricot flowers in July..
$\begin{array}{lll}\$ 0.20 & \$ 2.00 & \$ 15.00\end{array}$
Brownii. Japanese bulbs. An extremely handsome hardy Lily, with large trumpetshaped flowers like those of Longiflorum or Bermuda Easter Lily; pure white inside, but the outer part of the petals is a beautiful purplish brown
$50 \quad 5.00$
36.00

Hansoni. A handsome variety, flowering in June. Has bright rich yellow flowers, one of the best Lilies in cultivation. Bulbs sometimes remain dormant after planting, but will come up vigorously the next season.
$50 \quad 5.00$
$5.00 \quad 36.00$
Henryi. A new Japanese Lily that has made a sensation in Europe. It has the same form and appearance as the Speciosum varieties, but the flowers are bright orangeyellow
Krameri. Distinct from all other Lilies. Large flowers of a soft, beautiful rose color. Very lovely but subject to Lily disease.
Leichtlini, Red. Orange-red, with crimson spots.
Leichtlini, Yellow. Neat and elegant habit; pure canaryyellow, with crimson spots
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 $.50 \quad 5.00$
36.00
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$.60 \quad 6.00 \quad 45.00$

Each Per doz. 100
yellow, with crimson spots. . 40 Li. $400{ }^{30.00}$. Krameri. It is unknown in this country, but in
Rubellum. This is a beautiful new Lily similar to Kramer England, where it has been fully tested, it is highly praised, and it seems likely to become as popular as the Speciosum varieties; subject to Lily disease

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\$ 0.25 & \$ 2.75 & \$ 20.00
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## European-Grown Lilies

## Early Spring Delivery. Orders received until August 1st. <br> Per doz. <br> ..... 100

Brownii. Dutch bulbs. An extremely handsome hardy Lily, with large trumpet-shaped flowers like those of Longiflorum or the Bermuda Easter Lily. Pure white inside, but outer part of the petals is beautiful purplish brown. This is a very choice Lily, but good bulbs of it are scarce..........each, 75 cts...
Candidum (Madonna or Annunciation Lily). This is the old-fashioned garden Lily, and one of the most beautiful. It should never be planted later than September 15. as it makes a fall growth.

Chalcedonicum (The Scarlet Turk's Cap Lily) ..........each, 85 cts... 8.50
Colchicum. Rich citron-yellow, spotted black...........each, 35 cts...
Croceum. Orange-red, spotted black; distinct
Excelsum. Another choice but scarce Lily. The stately form. beauty of color and delightful fragrance of this variety has made it a favorite wherever grown. It grows 4 to 6 feet high and produces six to twelve flowers of delicate light buff color, blooming in June and July. Each

60 cts..

## EUROPEAN-GROWN LILIES, continued

Per doz.
100

| Giganteum. A remarkable Lily, growing 12 to 14 feet high; it requires an expert gardener to bloom it. Large bulbs. Each ................................... $\$ 1.65 . . \$ 15.00$ | 00 | Thunbergianum Van Houttei. Very large; <br> scarlet-purple; very fine...................... . $\$ 3.50$ <br> Thunbergianum, Prince of Orange. Golden yellow | 100 $\$ 30.00$ 10.00 |
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| Marhan, Miss Wilmott. Orange and carmine, with purple spots. New and extra fine $\qquad$ each. $\$ 1.50$ |  | Tigrinum flore pleno (The Double Tiger Lily). <br> The only double Tiger Lily worth growing. <br> Tigrinum simplex (The well-known Single | 6.00 |
| Marhan, G. F. Wilson. . Light citron-yellow, with carmine points ..........each, $\$ 1.50$. |  | Tiger Lily.) Of the easiest culture and worthy of general planting on account of |  |
| Martagon (Turk's Cap Lily). Purple...... 2.00 | 15.00 | stately habit and fine effect in the landscape. . 85 | 6.00 |
| Martagon album. Pure white..each, \$0.85.. 9.50 |  | Tigrinum splendens (Improved Single Tiger Lily) | 6.00 |
| Martagon Dalmaticum. Blackish purple, each <br>  |  | Umbellatum erectum. Scarlet, brown spots.. 1.60 | 10.00 |
| Pardalinum. Golden orange, spotted with maroon-purple $1.50$ | 10.00 | Umbellatum grandiflorum. Orange, with brown spots ................................ 1.50 | 10.00 |
| Speciosum Schrymakersii. Beautiful rosy white, suffused and spotted with rosy crim- | 16.00 | Umbellatum incomparabile. Dark red, with brown spots ...................................... . . . 2.00 | 13.00 |
| son ....................................... 2.50 | 16.0 | latum, Fine | 9.00 |
| Thunbergianum (elegans) sanguinium. Dark crimson. The Thunbergianums are all of the easiest culture and bloom in June.... 2.00 | 15.00 | Wallichianum. A magnificent Lily. with immense white trumpet flowers, suffused with yellow; very scarce.............each, $\$ 3.50$. |  |

Thunbergianum Van Houttei. Very large; scarlet-purple; very fine...................... $\$ 3.50 \quad \$ 30.00$

Tigrinum flore pleno (The Double Tiger Lily). The only double Tiger Lily worth growing.
.85
6.00
Tigrinum simplex (The well-known Single Tiger Lily.) Of the easiest culture and worthy of general planting on account of stately habit and fine effect in the landscape. $\quad .85 \quad 6.00$
Tigrinum splendens (Improved Single Tiger
Lily) . ................................................. $85 \quad 6.00$
Umbellatum erectum. Scarlet, brown spots. . $1.60 \quad 10.00$
Umbellatum grandiflorum. Orange, with brown spots ................................... 1.50
10.00
Umbellatum incomparabile. Dark red, with brown spots ..................................... . . 2.00
13.00
Umbellatum, Fine Mixture. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1.25 \quad 9.00$
Wallichianum. A magnificent Lily. with immense white trumpet flowers, suffused with yellow; very scarce.............each, $\$ 3.50$..

## Native and American-Grown Lilies

## October and November Delivery



Lilium superbum.

Canadense flavum. Our dainty, beautiful native Lily. Graceful and charming yellow flowers
................................... $\$ 1.60$ \$11.00
Canadense rubrum. Red flowers............. . $1.75 \quad 13.00$
Canadense, Mixed . ............................... . . . . 1.50 10.00
Elegans . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1.50 \quad 10.00$
Elegans robustum. Crimson-black; fine..... $1.25 \quad 8.00$
Elegans, Fine Mixed. The Elegans Lilies bloom in June, are of easy culture, and very desirable
Philadelphicum. Native Lily. Orange-red,
black spots...................................$~$
1.50
10.00
Superbum. In a collection of best plants of all countries, our native Superbum Lily would deserve a first place. In deep, rich soil it often grows 8 feet high, with twenty to thirty flowers. It is of the easiest culture, and may be grown as a wild flower in any swampy or rough part of a place where the grass is not mown. We have seen it growing by the thousands in swamps and meadows, but it well repays the highest garden culture. Extra-selected bulbs
Tenuifolium. A beautiful graceful Lily with, crimson reflex flowers. One of the choicest Lilies. The most graceful and dainty Lily grown. Blooms in June.
Davuricum. This beautiful Lily comes from the home of L . tenuifolium in Siberia. It resembles a native Philadelphicum . It is of easy culture, grows two to three feet high, and blooms in umbels of three to five upright scarlet flowers, dotted black.
Note.-We have omitted California varieties of Lilies from our list. They are too difficult to grow in this climate.

NOTICE. All shipments are made at customer's risk. Our responsipility ceases when we deliver stock in good order to transportation companies.

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