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# SEEDS

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## SNAPDRAGONS

(Originator's Packets)

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## STOCK

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## SWEET PEAS



**BULBS - PLANTS - CUTTINGS**  
and **SUPPLIES**

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**1950**  
**Wholesale Catalogue**

# SNAPDRAGONS

## *Outstanding Selections*

"All Snapdragon Seed Sold in Originator's Packets"

### **MARGARET**

(Yoder)

A clean growing Ivory White—lengthy spikes.

**Trade Packet \$2.00**

### **CHRISTINA**

Light pink hybrid. Color deeper than

Mary Ellen.

**Trade Packet \$3.00**

### **MARY ELLEN**

A very popular clear pink—early.

**Trade Packet \$2.50**

### **PEGGY SCHUMANN**

Good clear creamy pink.

**Trade Packet \$2.00**

### **CHRISTMAS CHEER**

Bright Rose Pink for early flowering.

**Trade Packet \$3.00**

### **DORGAS JANE**

A brilliant silvery rose pink.

2000 Seeds

**Trade Packet \$2.50**

**½ Trade Packet \$1.50**

### **GOLD RUSH**

New early hybrid yellow. Golden yellow florets.

**Trade Packet \$3.00**

### **ROCKWOOD HYBRID PINK**

A very pleasing color.

**Trade Packet \$2.50**

Quantity prices will be allowed — with a cash discount for cash with order. All seed is mailed free to any point in the United States.

NOTICE.—We do not warrant in any way, expressed or implied the contents or the description, quality, productiveness, or any other matter of any seeds, bulbs or plants sold by us, and we will not be in any way responsible for the crop. If the purchaser does not accept these terms, the merchandise must be returned at once, and no sale is made thereof. All advance orders accepted subject to crop failure and any other causes beyond our control. ALL CLAIMS MUST BE MADE 5 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF GOODS.

GEO. K. GROFF (Madeline H. Steffy, Proprietor)

**"Prices subject to change without notice"**

# SNAPDRAGONS

*For Greenhouse Forcing*

*"All Snapdragon Seed Sold in Originator's Packets"*

## PINK and ROSE SHADES

	Price Per Tr. Pkt.
Better Times, early Amer. Beauty rose color	\$2.00
Cheviot Maid, a deep rose-pink	1.00
Christina, new light pink hybrid	3.00
Christmas Cheer, originator's seed-early, productive rose-pink	3.00
Delworth Supreme—early deep rose pink	1.00
Dorcas Jane, brilliant rose-pink hybrid, 1000 seeds	1.50
Dorcas Jane, brilliant rose-pink hybrid, 2000 seeds	2.50
Gilbert's Pink Supreme Queen, good dark pink	1.50
La France, beautiful silvery pink	1.50
Light Pink Peggy Schumann, early	2.00
Mary Ellen, hybrid, light clear pink, popular	2.50
Maryland Pink, light pastel pink, early	3.00
New Cincinnati, large flowered light pink	1.00
Peggy Schumann, medium deep pink	2.00
Rockwood Pink Supreme—a good color and producer, early	2.50
Schaffroth's Pink, bright rose-pink	2.00
Rockwood Early Hybrid Pink, good pastel shade	2.50
Rose Queen, deep rose	1.00
St. Louis Pink, flesh pink	1.50
Yoder's No. 33, medium pink	1.50

## YELLOW

Carol Jean, no wild growth	2.00
Ethel, good producer, early	1.50
Frances Schlegel—new, King Alfred color	2.00
Gilbert's Yellow, all season variety	2.00
Goldie, deep early yellow	1.50
Goldrush, new hybrid yellow	3.00
Klondyke Supreme, deep yellow	1.50
Patricia—new hybrid yellow long spiked, early	3.00
Rockwood Yellow, good quality	2.00
Sara Lou, bright yellow	2.00
Schlegel's Early Yellow—new	2.00
Witterstaetter's Yellow—new, large florets, spring variety	2.50
Yellow Wonder Improved, early	1.50

## RED

	Price Per Tr. Pkt.
Crimson Queen, deep crimson early	2.00
Shisler's Red, wine red, very early	2.00
Schumann's Velvet Red	2.00

## LAVENDER SHADES

Bertha Baur, early orchid	1.50
Lavender Rose, excellent color, late	2.00
Rockwood Winter Lavender	2.00
Schumann's Lavender, good lavender	2.00
Windmill's Lilac, early	1.50

## BRONZE SHADES

Afterglow, deep golden bronze	1.00
Barbara—new hybrid bronze, pink throat, bronze lips	3.00
Beulah, Talisman bronze	2.50
Bronze Christmas Cheer	2.00
Bronze Peggy Schumann, early	2.00
Gilbert's Bronze Beauty, good color	1.50
Glorious, deep reddish copper	1.50
Earlier Glorious, very true and uniform	1.50
Lady Dorothy, copper red	3.00
Salmon Gold, softer than Glorious	1.50
Talisman, all double bronze, early	2.00

## WHITE

Crystal White—new pure white for late flowering	3.00
Feist's White	2.00
Gilbert's White, new, good white	2.00
Junglewood White, dazzling white, mid-winter	2.00
Koester's White, slightly ruffled, early	1.50
Lucky Strike Improved, early white	1.50
Madeline, pure white, early	2.00
Margaret, ivory white, good producer	2.00
Rockwood Early White, early & good grower	2.00
Schaffroth's White	2.00
Schlegel's White, pure white	1.50
Schumann's White—new, all characteristics of Schuman	3.00
Snow White, early	1.50
Westover's Early Fringed White, good strain	1.50
White Marion, large strong clear white	1.50
White Wonder	1.50
Yuletide, pure paper white, early	2.00

# SWEET PEAS

## EARLY OR WINTER FLOWERING

### Information for Greenhouse Crops of Early Flowering Sweet Peas

If Sown:	Will Flower
July.....	October to January
August.....	December to February
September.....	February to April
November.....	March to May
December.....	April to June

**PINK:**

- Apollo, light salmon cerise.
- American Beauty, American Beauty rose.
- Attraction, long stemmed salmon rose.
- Ball Rose Improved, cerise pink.
- Ball Salmon, coral pink.
- Boon, deep coral pink.
- Cavalcade, rich golden cerise.
- Hiawatha, large flowered rose self.
- Jeanne Mamitsch, rich pink.
- Josie, excellent producer.
- Laddie Improved, long stemmed rose-pink.
- Majestic Rose, deep brilliant rose-pink.
- Sequoia, golden cerise.
- Titania, brighter than Josie.

**BLUE:**

- Ball Blue Supreme.
- Blue Bonnet, good clear blue.
- Florist Blue, large blue.
- Mrs. Herbert Hoover, clear blue.
- Princess Blue, light blue.
- Tahoe, good dark blue for spring.
- Zvolanek, navy blue.

**LAVENDER:**

- Harmony, clear lavender.
- Michigan, large lavender.
- Triumph, long stemmed.
- Twilight, large blooms, long stems.

**RED:**

- Grenadier, dazzling scarlet.
- Pride, deep even cerise.
- Red Bird, good scarlet.
- Sparks, brilliant orange scarlet.

**WHITE:**

- Ball White, large white.
- Burpee White, mammoth flowered.
- Groff White Beauty, long stems.
- Hope Improved, black seeded.
- Snow Queen, pure white.
- White Harmony, black seeded.

**ORANGE:**

- Ball Orange Improved, deep orange.
- Fiesta, brilliant orange cerise.
- Treasure Island, sparkling shades of orange.
- Valencia, sunproof orange.

Varieties not listed can be supplied—on request.

Prices: 1/2 oz.—30c; 1 oz.—50c; 1/4 lb.—\$1.50; 1 lb.—\$5.00

## LATE OR SUMMER FLOWERING SWEET PEAS

White	Orange
Pink	Red
Lavender	Blue

1 oz.—25c; 1/4 lb.—90c; 1 lb.—\$2.75

*Sweet Peas (continued)***SPRING FLOWERING**

(Cuthbertson)

Seed should be sown November 1st, to bloom April.

**Carol**, clear pink.**Coline**, sunproof scarlet.**Danny**, navy blue.**David**, bright crimson.**Evelyn**, salmon cream pink.**Frank G.**, strong lavender.**Hazel**, light blue.**Janet**, large black-seeded white.**Jessie**, wavy satin mauve.**Katie**, rose cream pink.**Lois**, rose pink.**Marion**, extra long stemmed cream pink.**Tommy**, clear medium blue. $\frac{1}{2}$  oz.—35c; 1 oz.—55c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb.—\$1.65**AMERICAN GROWN AND IMPORTED BULBS****Fall and Spring Planting**

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**FIELD GROWN CARNATIONS**

We can supply your needs in Field Grown Carnations for the 1950 Season; clean well branched Field Grown Stock July and later.

**Note:** Write for prices and further information on Bulbs and Carnations.

# MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS

## AGERATUM

- Blue Ball Improved, dwarf and compact.  
Tr. pkt. 35c; 1/4 oz. \$1.25; 1 oz. \$4.00
- Blue Cap, rich blue, very compact.  
Tr. pkt. 30c; 1/4 oz. \$1.00; 1 oz. \$3.50
- Blue Perfection, dark blue.  
Tr. pkt. 20c; 1/4 oz. 50c; 1 oz. \$1.50
- Midget Blue, very dwarf, delicate foliage.  
Tr. pkt. 40c; 1/4 oz. \$1.75; 1 oz. \$5.50

## ALYSSIUM

- Bouquet (Carpet of Snow), good dwarf variety.  
Tr. pkt. 25c; 1/4 oz. 75c; 1 oz. \$2.50
- Snow Cloth, plants are flat and a mass of flowers.  
Tr. pkt. 25c; 1/4 oz. 75c; 1 oz. \$2.25
- Violet Queen, dwarf compact, rich shade of violet.  
Tr. pkt. 25c; 1/4 oz. 40c; 1 oz. \$1.25

## CALCEOLARIAS

- Gilbert's Strains:
  - Multiflora Nana, red                      Multiflora, yellow
  - Multiflora Nana, mixed
  - Trade Packets, \$1.00 each
- Regular Strain:
  - Multiflora Nana, mixed
  - Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/64 oz. \$4.25; 1/32 oz. \$8.00
- Miscellaneous Strain:
  - Dwarf Tigred and Spotted
  - Trade Packets \$1.00 each

## CALENDULA

- Ball Gold, long stemmed, large deep golden yellow.
- Ball Lemon Queen, deep lemon yellow, brown eye, popular.
- Ball Masterpiece, long stemmed, orange flower, dark center.
- Ball Long Orange Improved, bright orange, light eye, long stem.
- Sensation (Campfire Improved), brilliant orange with scarlet sheen.  
Tr. pkt. 40c; 1/4 oz. 60c; 1 oz. \$2.00; 1/4 lb. \$6.00

## CANDYTUFT

- Giant Hyacinth Flowered White, superior strain growing 1 1/2 feet high, excellent strain.  
Tr. pkt. 20c; 1 oz. 80c; 1/4 lb. \$2.75; 1 lb. \$8.00

## CENTAUREA CYANUS (Cornflower)

- Blue Boy, excellent for cutting.
- Red Boy, deep red.
- Pinkie, deep pink.
- White  
Tr. pkt. 15c; 1 oz. 45c; 1/4 lb. \$1.45; 1 lb. \$4.50

## CINERARIA

- Berlin Market, mixed colors, full bouquets of medium sized flowers.  
Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/64 oz. \$1.75; 1/32 oz. \$3.00
- Cremer Improved Prize Strain (originator packets), small foliage, tremendous heads of flowers in bright colors.  
Tr. pkt. \$1.50; 1/64 oz. \$2.25; 1/32 oz. \$4.00
- Siter Rainbow Strain (originator packets), large range of colors in finer pastel shades.  
Trade packets \$2.00 each.
- Multiflora Nana Mixture, small flowers, very dwarf.  
Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/32 oz. \$3.00
- Multiflora Nana, gold center.  
Trade packet \$1.00 each.

## CYCLAMEN (Imported Strain)

	Per 100	Per 1000
Baardse Wonder, salmon with white border .....	\$2.20	\$20.00
Carmine Salmoneum, fiery salmon....	2.20	18.00
Perle of Zehlendorf, dark salmon....	2.10	18.00
Pure White .....	1.75	16.00
Rose of Marienthal, soft rose with carmine eye .....	1.75	16.00
Rose of Zehlendorf, light salmon.....	2.10	18.00
Bonfire, bright salmon scarlet.....	2.25	20.00
Rose of Aalsmeer, pure rose.....	1.75	16.00

(250 seeds of a variety @ 1000 rate).

## DELPHINIUM

- Giant Pacific Hybrids:
  - Blue Bird, clear medium blue, white bee.
  - Cameliard, pure lavender self, white bee.
  - Galahad, enormous clear white, white bee.
  - Guinevere, light pink lavender self, white bee.
  - King Arthur, brilliant royal violet, large white bee.
  - Summer Skies Series, clearest light blue, white bee.
  - Tr. pkt. \$1.25; 1/8 oz. \$2.50; 1/4 oz. \$4.00; 1 oz. \$14.00
- Finest Mixture, well balanced mixture of Pacific Giants.  
Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/8 oz. \$2.00; 1/4 oz. \$3.50 1 oz. \$12.00
- Miscellaneous Types:
  - Blackmore & Langdon Hybrids, good strain.  
Tr. pkt. 50c; 1/4 oz. \$1.00; 1 oz. \$3.00



*Miscellaneous Seeds (continued)***DELPHINIUM (Continued)**

**Belladonna Improved** (Cliveden Beauty), turquoise blue.

Tr. pkt. 35c; 1/4 oz. \$1.00; 1 oz. \$3.00

**Bellamosum Improved**, large deep blue.

Tr. pkt. 35c; 1/4 oz. \$1.00; 1 oz. \$3.00

**Lamartine**, deep bright marine blue, good cut flower habit.

Tr. pkt. 50c; 1/4 oz. \$1.50; 1 oz. \$4.75

**DAHLIAS**

**Unwin Dwarf Hybrid Ideal Bedding Mixture**, early flowering semi-double, 18 in., a wide range of colors.

Tr. pkt. 50c; 1 oz. \$2.50

**DIDISCUS**

**Coerulea**, (blue laceflower).

Tr. pkt. 25c; 1 oz. \$1.00

**GYPSOPHILA (Baby's Breath) Annual**

**Covent Garden Strain**, pure white.

1 oz. 25c; 1/4 lb. 75c; 1 lb. \$2.25

**London Market Improved**, taller and later than Covent.

1 oz. 25c; 1/4 lb. 75c; 1 lb. \$2.25

**KALANCHOE**

**Tom Thumb**, ideal for pot plants.

Tr. pkt. \$1.50; 1/64 oz. \$5.00; 1/32 oz. \$9.00

**LARKSPUR****(Giant Imperial or Base-Branching)**

**Blue Bell**, clear mid-blue.

**Brilliant Rose (New)**, deep salmon rose, with brilliant carmine.

**Dazzler**, rich scarlet.

**Gloria Improved**, deep salmon rose.

**Lilac King**, rich lilac, full double.

**Miss California**, deep rose on salmon.

**Pink King**, soft shade of salmon rose.

**Sweet Lavender**, lavender color.

**White King**, best white.

**Finest Mixed**, named varieties.

Tr. pkt. 25c; 1 oz. \$1.10; 4 oz. \$3.60;

1 lb. \$11.00

(**Super Majestic**), rose pink, bright rose, deep salmon pink, lavender, medium white, large flowered.

Tr. pkt. 35c; 1 oz. \$1.50; 1 lb. \$15.00

**Royal Rose**—Regal Strain, rich rose.

Tr. pkt. 50c; 1/2 oz. \$1.50; 1 oz. \$2.75

**PANSIES**

**Englemann's Giant Mixture** (originator seed), dark and light shades, huge flowers compact and early flowering.

1/4 oz. \$4.25; 1/2 oz. \$7.50; 1 oz. \$14.00

**Roggli Swiss Giant Improved Mixed**

Tr. pkt. 75c; 1/8 oz. \$1.25; 1/4 oz. \$2.25

1 oz. \$8.00

**Maple Leaf Giants**, large flowering strain.

Tr. pkt. 75c; 1/8 oz. \$1.75; 1/4 oz. \$2.75

1 oz. \$9.00

**Greenhouse Winter Pansy**, tall long-stemmed, giant flowers.

Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/16 oz. \$2.00; 1/8 oz. \$3.50

**Steele's Butterfly Hybrids**—Excellent colors.

1/16 oz. 3.00; 1/8 oz. \$5.75; 1/4 oz. \$9.00

1 oz. \$35.00

**Jumbo Mixed**—1/16 oz. \$1.75; 1/8 oz. \$3.00;

1/4 oz. \$5.00; 1 oz. \$16.00

**PHLOX**

**Groff's Special Dwarf Mixture**, (limited supply). We think our strain is one of the best. Write for price.

**PRIMULA OBCONICA**

**Fasbender's Red**, deep crimson red.

**Mohnstein's Atrosanguinea**, dark blood red.

**Mueller's Berlin Rose**, soft medium rose.

**White**

Tr. pkt. \$1.25; 1/64 oz. \$2.25; 1/32 oz. \$4.25

**STOCK****NON BRANCHING**

**Apricot**, large flowered creamy buff.

**Dark Blue**

**Gardenia**, shimmering white.

**Ball White No. 16**

**Rose Pink**, clear rose pink.

**Ruby**, crimson red.

**Silver Lilac**, lilac lavender.

**Yellow Wonder**, rich creamy yellow.

Tr. pkt. \$1.00; 1/4 oz. \$2.50; 1 oz. \$9.00

**Royal Purple**

Tr. pkt. \$1.25; 1/4 oz. \$3.00; 1 oz. \$10.00

**GIANTS OF CALIFORNIA**—Branching

**Pacific**, blue.

**Red Woods**, blood red.

**Yosemite**, rose pink.

**Tahoe**, lavender.

**Santa Maria**, white.

**Santa Barbara**, chamois.

Tr. pkt. 35c; 1/4 oz. \$1.25; 1 oz. \$4.50

## SUNDRIES

**ELECTRA**—Fertilizer—5-10-3 Organic ..... 100 lbs.— \$6.75  
**HORMODIN No. 1** ..... 1 lb. Tin— 3.00  
**ROOTONE**—a plant Hormone powder for rooting cuttings..... 2 oz.—\$1.00; 1 lb.— 5.00  
**PLANTHION**—Wettable, 15% (For outdoor use only). Good control on Cyclamen mite on Delphinium, and also good for Red Spiders..... 4 lbs.— \$4.75  
**SOILENE**—For soil insects, roaches, Symphyllids, Sowbugs, Springtails, Cutworms, Thrips in soil, Millipedes, etc. .... 50 lbs.—\$16.00; 100 lbs.—\$30.00; 500 lbs.—\$125.00  
**SNAROL** ..... 2½ lb. Box— .75  
**VITA BANDS-40**:—Packed 1000 to a case. Sold in units of 1000.

Sizes	Price Per 1000	Sizes	Price Per 1000
1¾ x 1¾ x 2½.....	\$4.90	2½ x 2½ x 3.....	\$6.95
2 x 2 x 2½.....	5.40	3 x 3 x 3.....	8.10
2 x 2 x 3 .....	5.90		

### ● PRESERVATIVES ●

**CUPRINOL GREEN** — This wood preservative can be used to protect your frames, seed boxes, benches, flats and stakes....1 gal. can—\$3.45; 5 gal. can @ \$3.85 gal.; 50 gal. @ \$3.10 gal.  
**CUPRINOL FOR DIPPING**—.....5 gal. can—\$11.75; 50 gallon drum—\$110.00  
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**FLORALIFE "B"**: Floralife insures more life and beauty for your cut flowers — no need to change water or to re-cut stems.  
 250 quart (10 lbs.) drum..... \$4.00      500 quart (20 lbs.) drum..... 7.50  
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**FLORALIFE PACKETS** with your own 3 line imprint.  
 500 imprinted packets—2 qt. size—factory filled \$25.00  
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 Unfilled, imprinted envelopes for hand-filling \$10.00 per 1000.

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 1 lb. cans—\$3.00; case of 8 1-lb. cans—\$20.25  
**D. N. SULPHUR DUST No. 10**—Effective as a dust for Red Spider, Thrip and Rust on Carnations. .... 10 lbs.—\$3.50; 50 lbs.—\$12.50  
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 50 lbs.— 8.00      500 lbs.— 70.00      2000 lbs.— 250.00  
**DU PONT SPREADER STICKER**—Combined spreader and sticker.  
 Pint—\$.90      1 gallon—\$6.25      5 gallons—\$30.00  
**BENZO-FUME PRESSURE FUMIGATORS**—  
 1 case (12½-lb. cans)—\$3.20; 1 case (12 1-lb. cans)—\$5.50  
**HYPOZENE 70** ..... 5 lbs.—\$11.00; 10 lbs.—\$20.00  
**NICO-FUME LIQUID** ..... 1 gal. (8 lbs.)—\$12.55; 5 gal. (40 lbs.)—\$54.40  
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 1 case (12 ½-lb. cans)—\$4.60; 1 case (12 1-lb. cans)—\$7.95  
**TO-NA-CIDE**—Patent No. 1941055  
 5 lbs.—\$1.25; 25 lbs.—\$5.00; 50 lbs.—\$9.00; 100 lbs.—\$17.00  
 With 2% DDT ..... 25 lbs.—\$5.50; 50 lbs.—\$9.50; 100 lbs.—\$17.50  
**VAPOTONE**—The new Red Spider spray of Hexaethyl Tetra-Phosphate.  
 1 gallon—\$12.00

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