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We are very pleased to present to you our first listing of exquisite miniature choice hardy bulbs for the rock garden and flower border, including corms and tubers. We have spared no labor in describing as clearly as is humanly possible, the cultural requirements of the different bulbs we are offering. They are written for your convenience. Please read them. You may find the exact information concerning the cultivation of certain bulbous plants that have taxed your ability in the past, or that have failed to grow to your expectations. We hope that you will derive as much pleasure in reviewing these notes on the different species and varieties as we ourselves have had in describing them to you.

We are indebted for a good deal of this information to Mr. Jean Thibodeau, who has for the past two years, worked and checked on the descriptions contained in this catalogue. Mr. Thibodeau has devoted his entire life to the study of miniature material and has astonishing success with the material described. We are proud to add him to our staff.

To grow hardy bulbs with success, does not necessitate a wide knowledge of them, once their general requirements, which are very few, are understood. The most essential requirement, is proper drainage of the ground in which they are planted. Failure to adhere to this principle, most always leads to disaster. This can be confirmed by observing that all bulbs in general, grown in their native habitat are in well drained ground. Most of the bulbs we are offering are presumably to be grown in rock garden soil where the drainage is unusually good.

A little bone meal, mixed well below the bulbs, is the only safe fertilizer to be used at planting time. We recommend no other fertilizer be used at any time.

We are very desirous that you succeed with the bulbs we are offering. We have noted the planting depth, and have made special notes where required. This should help the amateur a great deal.

## GUARANTEE — REMITTANCE — SHIPPING CONDITIONS

We guarantee our bulbs to be of a very fine quality, true to name and in excellent condition when dispatched, but, like every other nurseryman, we cannot guarantee or assume responsibility for the flowering results, which are beyond our control. In order to give an unconditional guarantee, it would be necessary to greatly increase the price which would be an imposition to most buyers.

A cordial invitation is extended to anyone who wishes to review our stock.

### Condition of Sale — Substitution

Although we have ample stock on hand at the beginning of the season, it is not unlikely that one or more items will be sold out later on. Unless advised to the contrary, we will substitute to match color, size as near as possible. It will be of like or more value.

Terms are cash with order. Please send check or money order. No order for less than \$3.00 will be accepted. Please add 10% to order to cover express charges. All claims for error must be reported on receipt of goods, and will be promptly rectified.

Unpack and open bags immediately. Plant as soon as possible.

## ALLIUM (FLOWERING GARLICS)

Do not let the name deceive you. Very few emit the famous scent unless their foliage is bruised. They like a sunny situation. We cannot recommend them too highly. They are good perennials for the adornment of the flower border. The small varieties are the finest for the rock garden. Plant four inches deep, three to four inches apart.

### Allium Azurem

A very charming species from the Altai Mountains, where so many beautiful bulbous plants are native. The flower umbels are produced on 24 inch stems. As its name denotes, they are of a charming sky blue color. Plant in groups of six or more in the flower border. It also makes a charming accent in the rock garden.

\$ .50 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

### Allium Moly

Known as the golden garlic. The umbels are of a brilliant golden yellow, and are produced on 12 inch stems. Due to its short stature, there is no finer bulbous yellow flowering plant for the rock garden. They are stunning naturalized. They are a dash of yellow to the flower garden.

\$ .50 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

### A. Ostrowskianum

A very charming species and one of our favorites among the flowering garlics. The umbels are a beautiful deep rose. They are six inches tall. June and July flowering. This exquisite miniature variety is a must for a rock garden, for the front of your border and the front of a foundation planting where its dwarfness will show to advantage.

\$ .50 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

## BRODIAEA

This is a delightful California flowering bulb. It is fairly hardy in the East. They are best planted in late fall. Select a sunny situation. They require a good sandy soil. They are well worth the trouble to prepare a special place for them. Plant four inches deep, three to four inches apart in groups. After the ground has frozen an inch or two, cover with salt hay, straw or cranberry cover. Remove cover in early spring.

### B. Congesta

This variety produces small umbels of beautiful bluish lilac flowers. It is a charming and delightful dwarf, 12 inches tall.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### B. Grandiflora

This charming variety is without an equal in the rock garden, being only six inches tall. They are effective in groups in the sunny flower border. Flowers are a delightful bright blue. Flowers in June and July.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### B. Laxa

This variety produces large umbels of deep purple blue flowers on 12 inch stems. It is very decorative and splendid for cut flowers. Flowers in June and July.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

## CAMASSIA ESCULENTA

This beautiful race of bulbous American plants are planted far too little. The long graceful spikes of starry flowers of a good rich blue form a striking and arresting sight; planted in groups of twelve or more. The spikes attain a height of two to two and a half feet. They are stunning in the flower border. Can be used as a special accent in the rock garden planted in groups of six. They prefer a moist ground during their growing season. They should be left undisturbed. Plant six inches deep, six to eight inches apart and always in clumps.

\$1.10 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

### Miniature Narcissi

These miniature narcissi are delightful subjects for the rock garden. Little use of them is being made today, although many species and hybrids are available. The smaller bulbs should be planted four to five inches deep and one inch apart. The larger bulbs, six inches deep, and three to four inches apart. They all like moisture, not stagnant, during their growing season.

### N. Bulbocodium

The hoop petticoat narcissus, has an exquisite miniature yellow cone shaped trumpet. The petals are small. Rush like foliages. It is as beautiful as it is quaint. Six inches tall. Plant in a moist position in groups of a dozen or more.

\$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

#### **N. Cyclamineus**

This specie is unique and one of the daintiest of all the miniatures. The flowers are golden yellow throughout, of great substance. It varies slightly in size. The trumpet is usually about one inch long and has a small serrated rim. Its name is derived from the fact that its petals are completely reflected back like a cyclamen. Plant in drifts and in moist location. A little shade is desirable as it prolongs the life of the flower. In good condition will last from two to three weeks. It is a very early bloomer. We are fortunate in being able to offer this fascinating little golden jewel at the attractive price.

**\$1.80 per doz. \$13.00 per 100**

#### **N. Beryl (Cyclamineus hybrid)**

A charming little hybrid bearing graceful, drooping flowers, primrose yellow with slightly reflexing, perianth and small globular bright orange cup shading to gold; ideal for the rock garden and pots, height 8 inches. Early bloomer of good substance.

**\$2.25 per doz. \$16.00 per 100**

#### **N. Trevithian**

Two or more sweetly scented flowers are produced on one stem. Broad overlapping petals of pale yellow with a slightly deeper crown. Height 16 to 18 inches. Ideal for foundation planting and flower borders. May flowering.

**\$1.40 per doz. \$10.50 per 100**

#### **N. Triandrus Albus (Angels' Tears)**

This exquisite nymph is one of the most desirable of the miniatures. Flower is pure creamy white and are produced two to three per stem. The petals reflex and show the cup which is globe shaped, and like a tear. For best effect they should be planted in quantity. This is a must for the rock garden, being four to five inches in height. Mid-May flowering. Like a moist situation, well drained with gritty soil.

**\$1.00 per doz. \$7.50 per 100**

#### **N. Triandrus Thalia (The Orchid Narcissus)**

This delightful triandrus hybrid bears two to three flowers per stem similar to one of its parent's triandrus calathinus but larger in all its parts. The flowers are glistening white and of good substance. Good constitution, great increaser. Stunning in groups in the foundation planting. Excellent for the rock garden. 10 to 12 inches. May flowering.

**\$2.10 per doz. \$16.00 per 100**

#### **N. Jonquilla Simplex**

This is the most deliciously scented daffodil. Great quantities of them are grown in France for perfume extraction. It is a true specie and should not be confused with the Campenelle group. The flowers are produced three to four per stem. Bright yellow throughout. 9 inches tall. Can be used to advantage in the front portion of a sunny border and especially in the rock garden.

**\$.75 per doz. \$5.00 per 100**

#### **N. Jonquilla flore pleno**

A beautiful and dainty double of the above, similarly scented and can be used as the above.

**\$.80 per doz. \$5.50 per 100**

#### **N. Odorus Rugulosus**

This variety produces grass-like foliage, flowers in clusters. Bright yellow and sweet scented, perfuming the air for a great distance. 8 to 10 inches in height. Mid-May flowering.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

#### **N. Odorus Rugulosus flore pleno**

This double form has all the qualities of the preceding. The scent is stronger. Excellent for foundation planting, flower border, rock garden.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

#### **N. W. P. Milner**

This exquisite small, sulphur yellow trumpet daffodil has more than proved its worthiness, being in cultivation well over 50 years. We cannot recommend it too highly. 8 inches tall. Late April, early May flowering.

\$1.20 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

### **SPECIUS TULIPS (BOTANICAL)**

These delightful colorful small bulbs are a great asset to the perennial border, in front of foundation plantings, in front of dull walls, and for the rock garden. Their flowering season extends from April to June. In most cases, they are found on mountainsides in full sun which ripens their bulbs during summer. For best results, plant in full sun, in a well drained soil. They intensely dislike a soggy, wet soil. Plant smaller bulbs of this species, six inches deep and three to four inches apart. They are most effective in clumps of six to twelve. Kaufmanniana, Fosteriana and other large bulbs, are best eight inches deep and four to six inches apart. We are offering a splendid collection to choose from.

#### **Batalini**

A very choice and remarkable species, somewhat like Linifolia, but its color, when fully opened, is butter yellow. On sunless days, the closed bud has fascinating charm. It is similar to a rosebud. It is six inches tall, very desirable, and a must for the rock garden. Scarce.

\$1.85 per doz. \$14.00 per 100

#### **Biflora**

The miniature of the species. Two to three flowers on a branching stem. Flowers are creamy white, shaded on the outside with light rose purple and a touch of green. A smaller edition of Turkestanica. Eight to nine inches tall, very early flowering.

\$.75 per doz. \$7.50 per 100

#### **Chrysantha**

Another desirable little mite, lemon yellow flowers, rosy pink and brown shading on the outside petals. Eight inches tall. We recommend this dainty species. Plant in drifts of a dozen or more.

\$.65 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

#### **Clusiana (The Lady Tulip)**

A very charming species which deserves to be more freely planted. It gives a dainty, ladylike effect and it blossoms several weeks later than the Kaufmanniana group. The flowers are white, outside petals are cherry red. In dull weather, and in the evening, it features a delightful white bud with rose stripes. Eight to ten inches tall. We have secured a large quantity and can offer it at a very low price.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

### **Cornuta Stanopetala (Acuminata)**

The petals of the blossoms are fantastically pointed and twisted, sometimes as much as three inches long. The color ranges from pale yellow into shades of scarlet. Twelve to fourteen inches tall.

\$1.10 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

### **Eichleri Excelsa**

A great improvement over Eichleri. Larger in all its parts, a recent introduction. It is a beautiful and easily grown species. The flowers are scarlet crimson red with a yellow and well defined black center. Twelve to fourteen inches tall.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.25 per 100

### **Kolpakowskiana**

One of the most delightful and exquisite species, its name is its only blemish. We cannot recommend it too highly for the rock garden. When fully opened, it is a light golden yellow. The outside petals are shaded rose and cherry red. Six inches tall, quite rare. We offer this enchanting variety for the low price of

\$1.25 per doz. \$8.50 per 100

### **Linifolia**

Here we have one of the most dazzling, glowing scarlets of the species. The flowers are bowl or cup shaped with a black center. Foliage is very narrow. Planted near yellow Batalini, it creates a wonderful effect. Height six to eight inches.

\$1.40 per doz. \$11.00 per 100

### **Marjoletti**

This species is taller than the average, being eighteen inches in height. Can be used as an accent for the rock garden. Flowers are creamy white, edges of the petals are shaded rosy red.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

### **Persica**

Due to its lateness in flowering, almost the last one, it is one of the most desirable for the rock garden. It is only five inches tall. Flowers are pure golden yellow when fully opened, outside petals are orange bronze. It is slightly fragrant. Full sun exposure for this Persica. We offer this exquisite nymph at

\$1.70 per doz. \$12.00 per 100

### **Saxatillis**

This beautiful species produces one to three flowers on a branching stem. Flowers are a delicate lilac with a yellow center. This Grecian beauty must be planted in the highest and sunniest spot in the rock garden. Demands a gritty, porous soil, and dislikes being disturbed. 12 inches tall. Scarce

\$1.00 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

### **Turkestanica**

It is larger in all parts than Biflora, to which it is closely allied. Several flowers on a branching stem, creamy white with outside petals shaded pale rosy bronze with a touch of light green. It is an early bloomer. Long lasting. Eight to ten inches tall.

\$.80 per doz. \$6.00 per 100



### **Fosteriana Cantate**

Where one would desire a brilliant tulip, but not as tall as Red Emperor, this beautiful novelty is highly desirable for the rock garden being only 14 inches tall. Color is vermilion red with a black center, accentuated with a yellow outline, and enhanced by the beauty of bright green glossy leaves. It is breathtaking in the foundation planting, forcefully showing in the flower border.

**\$1.75 per doz. \$12.50 per 100**

### **Fosteriana Princeps**

An excellent species for the rock garden. It is the shortest of the Fosteriana group. Height 12 inches. Exceptionally brilliant, vermilion scarlet red. A must.

**\$1.35 per doz. \$10.00 per 100**

### **Fosteriana Red Emperor**

This beautiful novelty is very desirable for the foundation, brilliant accent for the front of the flower border, brilliant note in the rock garden. It should be in all tulip collections. It is one of the tallest and largest of all tulip species, being 18 to 20 inches tall. The flowers are gigantic. Color, vivid scarlet, large black eye, accentuated by a yellow rim.

**\$1.35 per doz. \$10.00 per 100**

### **Kaufmanniana Caesar Frank**

This variety is one of the Greigii hybrids. Flowers magnificent shade of chrome yellow with a margin of rich orange red on the outer petal. It is very spectacular with its striped brownish foliage, inherited from its parent, Greigii. 8 inches tall. We have secured a fine stock of this very choice variety.

**\$2.50 per doz. \$17.00 per 100**

### **Kaufmanniana Gaiety**

In this variety we have an adorable nymph, four inches tall. Flowers nesting on the foliage, are quite large, creamy white with an orange base and with an outside red stripe. This is a must for the rock garden. It is scarce. We have a good supply of top sized bulbs.

**\$1.65 per doz. \$12.00 per 100**

### **Kaufmanniana Vivaldi**

This desirable small tulip is of Greigii parentage. Flowers are pale cream yellow shaded red on the outside petals with a well defined crimson eye in the center. The foliage is deep green with delightful brown spots.

**\$1.65 per doz. \$12.00 per 100**

### **Praestans Fusilier**

This recent introduction produces four to six flowers per stem. Color is brilliant orange scarlet, foliage is dark green. 8 inches tall. It is delightful planted in clumps in the foundation, flower border and rock garden. We offer them at the low price of

**\$1.10 per doz. \$8.00 per 100**

### **Sylvestris (Florentine Odorata)**

This species is sometimes found wild from England to the Mediterranean. It is often called the nodding, sweet scented tulip. The nodding bud at maturity turns upward and opens its golden goblet releasing its sweet fragrance. The petals are slightly curved at the tips. 18 inches tall. April and May flowering. To be successful with this tulip, do not disturb. It will naturalize itself and flower year after year.

**\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100**

### **Tarda (Dasystemon)**

The petals of this golden yellow buttercup tulip are edged in creamy white and are produced in great quantity on branching stems. A clump opening in the full sun is a delightful sight. It should be in every rock garden. 6 inches tall.

\$1.10 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

### **Erythronium (Dog Tooth Violet)**

This is a very interesting genus of bulbous plants, flowering in the spring, they adapt themselves readily for naturalizing. They are at home at the edge of a woodland, shady spots in a rock garden or that part of the shady border that always looked poor in the spring. Plant two inches deep, and three inches apart. Likes soil that contains leaf mold. *Plant at once, do not delay for one day.*

#### **E. Dens-canis Albus**

This variety produces creamy white flowers with chocolate zoned center. Richly mottled foliage. Height four to six inches.

\$.50 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

#### **E. Dens-canis Purpureus**

This charming variety has purple-violet colored flowers and mottled leaves. Shows to best advantage when planted with the above variety.

\$.50 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

#### **E. Dens-canis Roseus**

In this variety we have deep rose colored flowers over beautiful bronze mottled leaves. A mixture of this and the white is enchanting.

\$.50 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### **Puschkinia Libanotica**

A delightful early spring miniature flowering bulb. Flowers are pale porcelain blue and striped with a deeper blue. Produce two to three flowering stems with several flowers on each one. Planted in conjunction with crocus in the border, they produce a magnificent effect. They are seen best in the rock garden where they can be viewed at close range.

\$.35 per doz. \$2.25 per 100

### **Puschkinia Libanotica Alba**

This exquisite white form of the preceding is quite rare in cultivation and is very seldom offered. Flowers are produced in the same manner as its counterpart. When grown together they are an excellent combination. Plant three inches deep, and one inch apart, in groups of a dozen or more. We are very fortunate in having been able to secure a good supply of this alluring form.

\$.45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

### **Chionodoxa (Glory of the Snow)**

These are the harbingers of spring. They should be used in great quantities in the front of the flower border, at the edge of foundation plantings, and in drifts in the rock garden. Plant three inches deep and an inch or two apart. They will increase rapidly, and you will enjoy them year after year.

#### **C. Gigantea (Grandiflora)**

This is the most delightful and largest of the group. The flowers are produced three to four on a stem that is three to four inches tall. Beautiful light blue color with slight variation in shades.

\$.45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

**C. Luciliae**

The flowers of this variety are sky blue in its purest form and are produced in good quantity on three inch stems.      **\$.35 per doz. \$2.25 per 100**

**C. Luciliae Alba**

If you have not seen this, this is a must. It is exquisite pure white form of the above.      **\$.50 per doz. \$3.50 per 100**

**C. Luciliae Rosea**

In this charming variety we have a desirable pink, early flowering and rare bulb. You'll like this.      **\$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**C. Sardensis**

In this species, we have the brightest and most intense blue, almost gentian color. This variety is slightly earlier than the others, and produces many flowers per stem.      **\$.35 per doz. \$2.25 per 100**

**CROCUS**

Crocus are the jewels of the early spring. Most all the colors found in precious stones are represented in this genus. There is white, silver, amethyst, violet, ruby, lilac, butter yellow, golden yellow, pencil striped varieties. Being early flowering, they are the most visited by the honeybees, who feed on the pollen. Plant in the sunny border, in clumps of twelve or more, for the Dutch variety. The species we recommend most highly for the rock garden. They require a sandy loam. Plant three inches deep, two to three inches apart.

**Dutch Crocus**

**C. Purpurea Grandiflora**

A magnificent variety producing large, well formed flowers of a fine, deep purple color. Used for general planting, excellent for pot culture in cool greenhouses. Top sized bulbs, producing four flowers or more.

**\$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**Smaller bulbs .40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100**

**C. Mont Blanc**

Large, pure white variety of long standing.

**Top sized bulbs \$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**Smaller bulbs .40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100**

**C. Yellow Mammoth**

A splendid large flowering golden yellow crocus. Very prolific. Use in flower border or for naturalizing with Mont Blanc.

**Top sized bulbs \$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**Smaller bulbs .40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100**

**C. Sir Walter Scott**

This old standby, striped variety, produces an abundance of whitish grey, striped violet flowers.

**Top sized bulbs \$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**Smaller bulbs .40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100**

**Crocus Species**

**C. Chrysanthus Snow Bunting**

An excellent white form, raised by Mr. E. A. Bowles, outer petals are creamy white feathered with pale indigo blue. Inner petals are white with a golden throat and a conspicuous scarlet stigmata. Very free flowering. Plant in drifts with Chionodoxa Luciliae or Rosea.

**\$.45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100**

### C. *Tomasinianus*

This species is one of the earliest to flower. Graceful and slender. Pale sapphire-lavender, shaded on the outside petals silver gray. It flowers freely and increases rapidly. Very fine for naturalizing with *Chionodoxa Luciliae Alba*.

\$ .45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

### *Fritillaria Meleagris*

If you have had disappointment with this genus, do not despair. If you follow the instructions given, you should be rewarded by beautiful chequered flowers. They are well worth the little care they demand. Plant in lightly shaded places, they dislike the mid-day sun. Plant four inches deep, in loamy leaf mold, three to four inches apart. Color is rosy purple, chequered darker sometimes with greenish color. The bell shaped flowers are usually produced two or three per stem.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### *Fritillaria Meleagris Alba*

The Queen of the May flowering bulbs. Color is white, chequered light greenish pink.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### *Galanthus Elwesii* (Snowdrop)

By far the most beautiful and largest of the snowdrops. Flowers are globe shaped, pure snow white, produced on a 6 inch stem. Leaves are greyish green, larger than any other variety. A native of Asia Minor, should be planted where it will receive more sun than other varieties. Once planted, it should not be disturbed. A must for the rock garden. Can also be used to good advantage in clumps in the flower border. We have on hand a good supply of this rarity.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

### *Galanthus Nivalis flore pleno*

This is a quaint and desirable form of the common snowdrop. It is a miniature. Plant in groups or naturalize in woodland, the rock garden or the border.

\$ .75 per doz. \$5.00 per 100

### *Muscari Botryoides* (Grape Hyacinth)

This variety has long been sold and can be naturalized in many old gardens. A single bulb will produce two to three spikes of flowers. Color light blue. Easy culture. When used in groups with *Triandrus Thalia* a lovely effect is produced.

\$ .40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100

### *Muscari Botryoides Album*

This charming white variety should be planted more liberally. It is exquisite and dainty. Flowers are set close to the stem and are handsome planted with the blue variety. Plant three inches deep, one and a half to two inches apart.

\$ .60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100

## SCILLA CAMPANULATA

This race of bulbous plants is very charming. May and June flowering. Known as the wood hyacinth. They are extremely hardy. They naturalize themselves freely and easily, increasing year by year. They are not too particular as to their location, doing equally well in a sunny, semi-shade and quite full shade condition. They are magnificent planted in drifts in semi-shade. They enhance flower borders. They fill a definite need under shrubs, in the background of a rock garden. Plant four inches deep, three to five inches apart, and always in clumps or drifts. Use all three colors.

\$ .45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100

**S. Campanulata Coerulea**

A very desirable blue form 10 to 12 inches tall. Planted with late blooming daffodils of the same height, an unusually lovely picture is created.

**\$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**S. Campanulata Rosea**

This quaint, soft pink form is always in great demand. 10 to 12 inches tall.

**\$.60 per doz. \$4.00 per 100**

**S. Campanulata Alba Maxima**

Lovely snow white form having good erect habit. 10 to 12 inches tall.

**\$.45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100**

**S. Siberica Spring Beauty**

This form is a great improvement over the common variety. It is very bright blue, flowers are produced larger and on taller stems, and in great quantity. Increases very rapidly. May flowering. 4 inches tall.

**\$.75 per doz. \$5.00 per 100**

**S. Siberica Alba**

White form of the preceding and even more delightful. Plant together with the sky blue and in drifts.

**\$.45 per doz. \$3.00 per 100**

**ERANTHIS HYEMALIS (Winter Aconite)**

Produces deep buttercup yellow flowers over bronze cut foliage. 3 to 4 inches tall. They should be planted in moist and particularly shaded areas. They are extremely effective associated with Scilla Siberica Spring Beauty or Chionodoxa. They flower very early. Important—Bulbs should be planted upon receipt because these bulbs lose their vitality quickly.

**\$.40 per doz. \$2.50 per 100**

**FALL FLOWERING BULBS**

**Colchicum**

Unless these bulbs are ordered by September 15, it would be advisable to wait a year. After that date, they make fairly rapid growth and will begin flowering in transit. If, however, you are within driving distance of our nurseries, the small variety that we offer is particularly exquisite. They also go under the name of Meadow Saffrons, but it is an error to call them autumn crocus. The Colchicums have no relation other than flowering about the same time. They belong to the lily family, while the fall crocus belong to the iris family. They are quite often offered in Metropolitan newspapers under all sorts of weird names such as Mysteria, etc., called the Wonder Bulb. It is true that you can stand the bulb on the window sill and it will quickly come into bloom without water or soil. This of course wrecks the bulb. For best results, plant outdoors where they will receive at least three to four hours of sunshine. They appreciate a good, well drained soil. Cover the tops of the bulbs with two to three inches of soil. Place them three to four inches apart. Plant in groups of six or more.

**C. Autumnale Minor**

This is the miniature of the colchicums. Flowers are produced in quick succession and are a fascinating rosy purple. They are appropriate in the rock garden, front of border or in the foundation.

**\$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100**

## AUTUMN CROCUS

The autumn crocus are delightful flowering bulbs. They should be planted as early as they can be secured. Late August and early September is the best time to plant them. They will flower without being planted, the same as the Colchicums, but if you value them as garden plants, this practice weakens them. They are exquisite planted in groups or drifts of twelve or more. Cover corms three inches deep, two inches apart, in the full sun.

### C. Zonatus

Very showy species of delightful rose lilac color with an orange zone at the base.

**\$.60 per doz. \$3.50 per 100**

### C. Speciosus Albus

Lovely pure white variety with very conspicuous scarlet stigmata. One of the best of the white forms.

**\$.60 per doz. \$3.50 per 100**

Whereas we specialize in everything that is miniature, dwarf trees, shrubs, rock plants and Alpines, we have a few Foxtail Lilies which are anything but dwarf. We have a few of these strikingly beautiful, stately and remarkable plants from Central Asia which flower in June and July. Known as Eremuris, they are the monarch of flowering bulbous plants. None can equal their aristocratic splendor. Their towering spikes on well established plants, reach five to ten feet in height, with a flowering portion of two to three feet of starry flowers. They bloom from the bottom up. Full cultural requirements are given with each order. Supply of these is very limited.

### Eremuris Bungei

Beautiful, clear lemon yellow star shaped flowers are produced on gigantic spikes of five feet in height on established plants, remain in flower for a full month. Their foliage is a glorious green, very narrow and up to two feet long.

**\$2.00 each**

### E. Himalaicus

This variety will produce a spike up to seven feet on a well established plant. It is covered with white starry flowers on a good two feet of the stem. The leaves are pale green and very abundant.

**\$2.50 each**

### E. Robustus

This is the reigning monarch of the race, surpassing them all in height. A well established plant several years old, is capable of sending its towering spikes eight to ten feet high. It is robust, with the full meaning of the word. Flowers are rosy pink and if you should suddenly come upon three of these giants in the back of the flower border, the effect will be one of breathtaking beauty, and will create a mental picture you will long remember.

**\$2.00 each**

These last three bulbs are examples of the many items to be found in a special list that we send upon request to connoisseurs. If you are interested, we will mail it to you. We feel that some of the bulbs offered in this group require special attention and special loving.

We end with the three Eremuris feeling that the amateur should derive tremendous pleasure and enjoyment with any one or a number of combinations of the items that we have offered.