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An Improved Tiger Lily

BURKE'S "MILE HIGH" LILY GARDENS
GARDNERVILLE, NEVADA

add: Mr. J.A. Millar, Box 44, Minden, Nevada
Burke's Lily Gardens

Burke's Improved Tiger Lily has triple overlapping, deeply recurved petals.

Spectacularly beautiful, sub-zero hardy, virus tolerant, botrytis immune, there is no other lily like it. They should be planted 40 to 50 feet away from susceptible and less-tolerant lilies.

To give best results they require a rich, well-drained soil and frequent, copious watering. Like most lilies, they will not tolerate "wet feet" and will not do well in a 'dobe or gumbo soil unless specially prepared and provided with drainage. They are heavy feeders, needing plenty of thoroughly decomposed manure and compost thoroughly mixed with the soil. Use of commercial fertilizer may prove beneficial in some soils.

Propagation bulblets form on stem between top of bulb and soil surface. These lilies will give best results as a permanent planting, removing bulblets by hand when too thick.

Black, seed-like bulbuls form in the leaf axils. Planted about one inch deep, these will make new plants, coming into bloom in 3 or 4 years.

Bulblets should be planted 2 to 3 inches deep, large bulbs and jumbos up to 6 inches deep.

When left in the ground undisturbed, these lilies should form a root ball more than a foot in diameter and the bulb will weigh up to 4 pounds when 4 or 5 years old.

Never cut stems while green. The blossoms may be harvested freely so long as the main stem is not cut. When stems are completely dry, cut off above ground or twist out of bulb.

Regular discount to trade

**Burke's
Triple Tiger Lilies**

Each	\$.70
Ten for	6.00
Twenty-five for	12.50
Select Jumbos, each	5.00

All prices prepaid.

Minimum order \$3.50.

To our Canadian customers:

Follow instructions at bottom of
order blank in the Lily folder.

Mr. Miller charged
1.00 for the bulbs - and
gave the bulbs to his
customers when they purchased
one plant.

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Gentlemen:

For many years the Library and the Agricultural Research Service of the United States Department of Agriculture have co-operated in building and maintaining a collection of the catalogs and other trade lists issued by nurserymen and seedsmen. Every catalog or list received is recorded and becomes a permanent part of the Library. The collection now numbers almost 91,000 items.

As a student's and research worker's collection, it is invaluable in investigations concerning the history, nomenclature, characteristics and distribution of varieties. It is also in constant use in answering inquiries as to where plant material may be obtained and regarding varieties being introduced to the trade. The collection as a whole is available to the public for reference use, and the information in it is made readily accessible by means of indexes.

In order that this collection may be kept up to date and as complete as possible, we wish to obtain all trade catalogs and lists of fruits, vegetables, and ornamentals as issued. Will you kindly send us your catalog, price lists or other similar material of the current year? It will also be appreciated if you will place our address, Bibliography Division, Library, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C., on your permanent mailing list to receive your annual catalog and other publications as issued.

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Very truly yours,

Foster E. Mohrhardt

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Director

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Mr Burke has retired. He is living in Southern Calif. He turned his bulb business over to Mr. Millar. However, Mr. Millar has ^{has} ^{devoted} little time

Perhaps this year he may take more interest in them.

