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Armstrong Roses

Mirandy—the 1945 All-America Winner

Important Rose Facts

Armstrong Roses Grow Anywhere. For more than 50 years planters all over the United States have found that Armstrong Rose Bushes are the best that can be planted. They are budded on rootstocks which do well under most climatic and soil conditions found in this country.

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We Pay Shipping Costs. We prepay, at our expense, all shipping charges on bare rooted roses when shipped by mail, express or freight, no matter where you live in the United States. We reserve the right to use our judgment as to method of shipment.

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The fine roses described on these two pages are all Armstrong originations, created in the Armstrong Research Department, one of the foremost plant breeding projects in the world. Our hybridists make thousands of rose crosses, produce many new seedlings, and through painstaking selection procure a few glorious new rose varieties, more beautiful in form and color than anything yet grown. We are very proud of these new Armstrong Roses because we know that they are among the finest in the world today and are sure to provide you with much pleasure and enjoyment in your own garden. The beautiful Charlotte Armstrong, which has become famous the country over, is the outstanding Armstrong origination and one of the most beautiful of all roses.

Charlotte Armstrong Queen of Them All

Charlotte Armstrong. 2819. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) The finest rose grown or sold by the Armstrong Nurseries in our 56 years of rose growing, and winner of every important prize and award for new roses. It won the All-America Rose Award in 1941, the year of its introduction, and, in our opinion, is the finest All-America Rose Winner.

Thousands of pleased planters throughout the country have told us how much they enjoy all the lovely long, streamlined buds and perfect open blooms of Charlotte Armstrong. It is a rose amazingly beautiful in all stages, from the long, slender, rich carmine buds through the magnificent, brilliantly colored spectrum-red flowers, to the still lovely full-blown blooms of rich cerise. These color terms mean very little—you have to see the flowers to visualize their amazing richness. The long-stemmed blooms are produced in great quantities throughout the season and are ideal for cutting. It is a pleasure to have a variety like this in the garden which grows prodigiously without coddling and never stops blooming throughout the whole season. Reports from cold climates indicate that it is harder than most roses, too. From Maine to California, it has been a great success. Plant Pat. No. 455. \$1.50 each.

Mirandy—1945 All-America Winner

Mirandy. 2925. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) This gorgeous, fragrant Armstrong rose creation won the All-America Rose competition for 1945 and has taken its place with the finest red roses of the world. The big, ovoid buds, often long pointed, are deep, rich, dark red, with black shadings, opening to a lovely Chrysanthemum Red. As the flower ages it becomes a gorgeous soft violet, which enhances its beauty. It eventually becomes a huge, full bloom (50 petals) which lasts a long while.

Mirandy is usually at its best in warm weather. The plant is strong, free-branching, with heavy stout stems and broad, dark green, heavy-textured foliage. Many say that its wonderful, penetrating damask perfume is the finest rose fragrance they have ever inhaled. From all over the country come many glowing, enthusiastic reports on Mirandy. Only in cool, foggy areas, such as San Francisco and Portland, do the flowers not always open perfectly. Plant Pat. No. 632. \$2.00 each.

Sweet Sixteen (illustrated at left) will give you dozens of the most daintily colored, beautifully formed rose buds for cutting that you can imagine. Delicate shades of pink, rose and gold.

Debonair (illustrated at right) is one of the finest new yellow roses of recent years. It has a clear, bright yellow color, beautifully formed buds and a delightful oldtime rose fragrance.

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The Finest Grown

Debonair

Debonair. 2841. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) The tightly rolled bud is a rich Mimosa Yellow in color, opening to a many-petaled, high-centered bloom of Primrose Yellow. Delightful old-time Marechal Neil fragrance. The plant of Debonair is one of the most handsome to be found in roses, with an abundance of broad, dark green, semi-glossy, mildew-resistant leaves. Produces great quantities of beautiful yellow buds. Plant Pat. No. 677. \$2.00 ea.

China Doll

China Doll. 2820. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) Imagine a dwarf, bushy, 18-inch rose plant carrying 200 to 400 perfect pink roses at one time, each flower 1 to 2 inches across. The great, rounded flower clusters cover the plant, and as one crop goes by another comes on almost at once. The color is a bright cheerful China Rose. Almost thornless, with glossy, mildew-resistant foliage. Makes a wonderful low border. Plant Pat. No. 678. \$2.00 each.

Fiesta Colors

Fiesta. 2863. Dazzling is the only word that describes this remarkable rose. Has stripes and flecks of bright yellow on a background of rich vermillion. The flowers make a great show on the plant, as well as providing most unusual cut flowers. Slightly fragrant. Plant Pat. No. 389. \$1.50 each.

Melody

Melody. 2923. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) Perfect in form from the time it unfolds its deep rose-pink bud until it drops the last lovely Dawn Pink petal of the open bloom. The flower is full and many-petaled, each petal daintily ruffled, and edged with Porcelain Rose. A mild, sweet fragrance. It is one of the first roses to bloom in the spring. \$1.50 each.

Charlotte Armstrong

Finest Rose Perfume

Miss Clipper. 2927. (Armstrong Research Dept., W. E. Lammerts.) Scientific tests show that Miss Clipper has the finest rose fragrance. The long, slender buds and lovely cupped flowers of pale salmon-pink shaded orange and yellow are good for the eyes, and that intoxicating fragrance is good for the lungs. A tall, slender grower, with long stems. Plant Pat. No. 522. \$1.50 each.

Show Girl

Show Girl. 2967. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) Amazingly long, lovely pink buds characterize this new Armstrong rose. We think it is one of the finest pink roses for cutting because the long buds are borne on equally long stems, and the heavy textured petals make them last a long time. The color is a rich deep phlox-pink (sometimes almost a carmine). You'll find it to be one of the strongest plants in the rose garden, upright, and branching freely, producing lots of those perfect buds. Just enough fragrance to give it character. Plant Pat. No. 646. \$2.00 each.

Sweet Sixteen

Sweet Sixteen. 2979. (Armstrong Research Dept., by W. E. Lammerts.) Long, slender buds in delicate shades of light pink with tints of rose and a dash of gold. The long tight buds, half unrolled blooms and the large-petaled flowers are magnificent in their perfection of form. Their soft rose-petal complexion, rich daintiness of color, and sweet fragrance make them delightful cut flowers. Especially fine in cool weather regions. Plant Pat. No. 631. \$1.50 each.

The Chief

The Chief. 2985. (Armstrong origination, by W. E. Lammerts.) Gigantic, extremely long buds of deep rose to flame, changing to a beautiful shade of orange-pink as the flowers age. They have a rich fruity fragrance. 1940 All-America Rose Selection. Plant Pat. No. 456. \$1.50 each.

Show Girl has magnificent long buds

All-America Collection

From the leading All-America Winners of the past few years, we have made up a special collection. They are the cream of the world's new roses.

Peace. (1946 All-America.) Giant yellow.

Mirandy. (1945 All-America.) Dark red.

Katherine T. Marshall. (1944 All-America.) Glowing pink.

Grande Duchesse Charlotte. (1943 All-America.) Rich brick-red, with fruity fragrance.

Charlotte Armstrong. (1941 All-America Winner.) Long red buds. The finest of all.

Special All-America Rose Collection, one each of the above five All-America Roses for \$8.00. Ask for Collection No. 5. Add 20c sales tax on California shipments.

Armstrong Big 10

A well-balanced 10-plant rose garden, every plant a strong grower, including only tested varieties, surest to succeed. You'll find no finer group of roses anywhere in the world than these. Three recent All-America Winners are included. We've chosen the varieties to give you a wide range of the most beautiful colors, and every rose included gives plenty of beautiful, long-stemmed buds for cutting.

1. **Charlotte Armstrong.** The No. 1 rose of them all, with long, slender, carmine buds and magnificent open flowers of brilliant cerise-pink.

2. **Debonair.** Perfectly formed buds and flowers of Mimosa Yellow. Beautifully foliaged, producing dozens of fine yellow buds.

3. **Etoile de Hollande.** Brilliant non-fading red. One of the most fragrant of all roses. No garden is complete without it.

4. **Girona.** Lovely tones of pink, carmine and yellow. Exceedingly fragrant. No two flowers alike and every one a beauty.

5. **Heart's Desire.** Big, beautifully formed red buds with one of the finest perfumes in roses. Big, strong growing plant.

6. **Lowell Thomas.** Long, tightly furled buds of rich golden yellow. Large, robust plant with heavy stout stems. Mild fragrance.

7. **Mme. Henri Guillot.** Gorgeous velvety raspberry-pink, with luxuriant glossy foliage. A perfect rose from beginning to end.

8. **Mrs. E. P. Thom.** Beautiful buds and flowers of bright canary-yellow without other tints. A fine yellow for cutting.

9. **Picture.** Lovely buds and flowers of warm pink. Our favorite pink rose, and many other people's favorite, too.

10. **Show Girl.** Some of the largest, most perfect deep pink rose buds in existence. One of the newest in this collection and one of the finest of all.

You can't give anyone (even yourself) a finer gift than a lovely rose garden that will live on year after year. We will send the "Big 10" anywhere in the country to arrive at any time between December 15 and May 15. Each sturdy bush will be properly pruned for planting, and complete instructions for planting and care will be included. Just say "Please send the 'Big 10' (or Rose Offer No. 10)" and you'll get one of each variety above for only \$12.50. Add 31c sales tax on California shipments. We pay the postage to any point in the United States.

Armstrong Bush Roses

The Best Standard Kinds from Everywhere

There are thousands of rose varieties, and new kinds are introduced every year, but we work toward growing and offering you only the best of them. Every rose we list has been test grown under a variety of conditions, and we know them to be good. It is just a question of choosing the color and type you like best. New Armstrong introductions are described on the preceding pages. Ten of our outstanding rose varieties are included in the Armstrong Big 10, described in detail on page 3.

Autumn Colors

Autumn. 2809. The handsome buds of superb burnt-orange open into deliciously fragrant flowers, shaded russet and bronzy red, over golden yellow. Each glossy, heavily foliaged plant will give you a long succession of flowers in the glowing colors of a typical Down East autumn. It has no peer in the multi-colors. \$1.00 ea.

Giant Orange Buds

California. 2813. The unusual orange color found in the giant, beautifully shaped buds of this rose will thrill you. Each delicately scented flower has about seventeen huge petals in striking ruddy orange toned with saffron-yellow. From a distance, it looks to be pure California gold. Along the coast and in the cooler sections it reaches its magnificent and colorful best. 1940 All-America. Plant Pat. No. 449. \$1.50 each.

Charlotte Armstrong. 2819. Finest rose of them all, blood-red and cerise-pink. See page 2. \$1.50 each.

China Doll. 2820. New cluster-flowered baby pink Polyantha. See page 3. \$2.00 each.

Cecile Brunner

Cecile Brunner. 2817. The dainty rose-pink salmon-shaded bud clusters of this Baby Rose were a favorite of Grandmother's and it still fills a niche which no other rose can occupy. A strong grower, it needs no special coaxing, and from the very first of the season to the last, it is always in bloom. \$1.25 each.

You'll Like Chris Stone

Christopher Stone. 2821. It has continued to grow in popularity each season and now ranks as one of the very finest red Roses. Glowing, brilliant crimson-scarlet, with deeper, dusky shadings as the flower ages, it never has a trace of blue and does not fade in the hottest sun. While its buds usually lack perfection of form, the open blooms have long-lasting substance, a delightfully spicy fragrance and an unequalled richness of color. Fully blown, they are as beautiful as any red rose you will ever find. It outblossoms most red roses, too. \$1.25 ea.

Etoile de Hollande, fragrant dependable red

A Brilliant Bi-Color

Condesa de Sastago. 2825. A bright bi-color unsurpassed in brilliancy. The large cup-shaped flowers are glowing orange-scarlet on the inside of the petals and intensely bright yellow on the outside. They are carried on a tall, robust plant which produces them in a fragrant succession. \$1.00 each.

Favorite Dark Red

Crimson Glory. 2833. It has everything that a good rose needs, and rates high among reds. The beautiful, flaring, urn-shaped buds always open into a vivid flower of crimson with black and maroon shadings. Light is reflected from the petals as from rich velvet. It grows vigorously, low and spreading. Plant Pat. No. 105. \$1.50 each.

Countess Vandal has wonderful buds for cutting.

Countess Vandal

Countess Vandal. 2831. The Countess carries her long, tapering buds of salmon-pink, richly shaded with copper and gold tones, on long husky stems regardless of weather. It is one of the best roses for cutting because it is perfect in bud or flower, and keeps so well. The Countess increases her popularity each year and is now leading star of the salmon-pink roses. Plant Pat. No. 38. \$1.50 each.

Dainty Bess

Dainty Bess. 2837. Delicately charming, this rose is the most popular single. The dainty five-petalled flowers are warm pink overlaid with suntan, centered with wine-red stamens. The husky bush blooms continuously and the flowers, when cut, will last for days. \$1.25 each.

Debonair. 2841. Primrose-yellow. See page 3. \$2.00 each.

For Your Bud Vase

Eclipse. 2849. The outstanding characteristic of this splendid rose is the streamlined bud of pale yellow, often more than two inches long. The tall, strong bush keeps them coming along, and almost every morning you can pick a bouquet of these exquisite buds on long stems. Plant Pat. No. 172. \$1.50 each.

A Glorious Red

Etoile de Hollande 2859. This magnificent red rose is rated at the top by many. The perfect buds open beautifully and cleanly into glorious flowers with incomparable fragrance, and each holds its brilliant color to the end. The bush is strong and healthy. A rose that actually has no serious fault. \$1.25 each.

Floradora

Floradora. 2865. Call it cinnabar-red, or orange-scarlet — whichever sounds the most attractive to you. Each miniature bud, in sprays of from 6 to 12, is exquisitely formed and opens to a fully double flower looking like a dainty little camellia. Perfect for corsages. Plant Pat. pending. \$1.50 each.

Fiesta. 2863. Unique stripes of yellow on vermillion. See page 3. Plant Pat. No. 389. \$1.50 each.

Old Frau Karl

Frau Karl Druschki. 2867. (Hybrid Perpetual.) Pure white, with immense long buds and very double flowers, wax-like in texture. Hardy everywhere, with long upright growth up to 6 feet. Put it where it has plenty of room to grow. \$1.25 each.

Fred Edmunds

Fred Edmunds. 2869. This new orange-colored rose won a Pacific Coast All-America Regional Award (1944). In our opinion, it's the best orange-colored rose yet developed. Startlingly vivid in the bud, it slowly changes to a softer apricot-orange shade as the flowers age. Fragrant, and borne on a vigorous, glossy-foliaged plant. Probably best in cooler sections. Plant Pat. pending. \$2.00 each.

Girona

Girona. 2871. This outstanding multicolor comes from Spain and is one of our favorites. The fully double flowers are exquisitely formed in lovely tones of pink, soft carmine and yellow, varying in intensity with the weather. You'll marvel that so much rose fragrance can be contained in a single flower. \$1.25 each.

Golden Rapture

Golden Rapture. 2877. This rose will produce the most perfectly formed bright yellow buds you've ever seen—not pale yellow but glowing shining yellow, rich and unfading. Its clean, clear color and perfection of form make it popular with everyone who sees it. One of the best of the bright yellows. \$1.25 each.

Grande Duchesse

Grande Duchesse Charlotte. 2879. The interesting buds are a rich claret changing to Begonia Rose as the flowers age. They vary in form but are always beautiful because of that rich color exclusively their own. The fragrance is like that of ripe fruit. A 1943 All-America Winner. Plant Pat. pending. \$1.50 each.

Heart's Desire

Heart's Desire. 2883. The 1942 All-America Winner. Its long, pointed buds of bright luminous unshaded red are magnificent. They are always long stemmed and keep longer than most roses after they are cut. Its powerful, intoxicating fragrance is such that a few blooms will perfume an entire room. The plants are tall, vigorous and free-branching. Plant Pat. No. 501. \$1.50 each.

Horace McFarland

Horace McFarland. 2891. One of the three 1945 All-America Rose Winners, and a good "solid" rose in every respect. The long-pointed, orange-pink buds are beautifully formed, and the big, fully double, long-lasting flowers open to deep apricot-pink shaded with salmon and coral-pink. Plant Pat. pending. \$2.00 each.

Irish Fireflame

Irish Fireflame. 2895. Buds are richly colored, deep orange splashed with crimson, opening to a large, single flower of satiny old gold. The tall, willowy plant produces a profusion of the dainty flowers, fine for cutting. \$1.25 each.

Katherine Marshall

Katherine T. Marshall. 2905. Named after the wife of General George C. Marshall, it is a lovely bloom of warm, glowing, clear pink. The few petals are big and heavy-textured, forming a magnificent bud and half-open bloom. Rich fruity fragrance and the most luxuriant, biggest and handsomest foliage of any of the new roses. Plant Pat. No. 607. \$2.00 each.

A Favorite White

K. A. Victoria. 2903. Pure ivory white, producing quantities of beautiful buds and full flowers. For 40 years it has been considered one of the best white roses, and it is particularly liked in California because it blooms so freely and continuously regardless of the weather. \$1.25 each.

Lowell Thomas

Lowell Thomas. 2909. Its long, tightly furled buds are a clean golden yellow, deep and glowing. The mildly fragrant, large flowers open slowly to a uniform lighter yellow snade and the large, robust plant keeps throwing out new flowers with bushy long stems. Reports indicate that it does well in all areas and in hot or cool weather. Plant Pat. No. 595. \$2.00 ea.

Lovely Little Lulu

Lulu. 2911. You will always have plenty of dainty buds with Lulu. We're enthusiastic about it and our friends are too because of the profusion of lovely, long, slender buds of coral-apricot. There is not a rose bud more exquisitely formed than those of Lulu. \$1.25 each.

A Red Talisman

Mary Hart. 2915. This striking red sport of Talisman has the same exquisitely formed buds except that they are maroon, opening to richly fragrant flowers of velvety blood-red with an amber overglow. The color varies with the weather, and it is at its best in cooler sections. Plant Pat. No. 8. \$1.50 each.

Mary Margaret

Mary Margaret McBride. 2917. The 1943 All-America Winner. Lovely long, flaring buds and many-petalled flowers in a rich yet delicate coral-pink color, are beautifully accented with a shimmering golden tone at the base of the petals. Each flower is perfect. Plant Pat. No. 537. \$1.50 ea.

Melody. 2923. A new deep pink. See page 3. \$1.50 each.

Perfection in Ivory

McGredy's Ivory. 2919. Each bud is creamy ivory-white, turning to clear white as it opens. The perfection, grace and purity of the buds just about take your breath away, and you'll delight in the delicate damask fragrance. \$1.25 each.

Mirandy. 2925. 1945 All-America Winner. Red. See page 2. \$2.00 each.

Miss Clipper. 2927. Most fragrant pink. See page 3. \$1.50 each.

Mme. Chiang

Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek. 2929. Named for China's First Lady, it was All-America Winner in 1944. Without question, it is one of the finest light yellow roses of all time. The giant, perfectly formed, long buds of soft primrose-yellow open to great many-petalled flowers of creamy ivory; spicily lemon-scented. Plant Pat. pending. \$2.00 each.

Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek

One of the Best

Mme. Henri Guillof. 2931. As the beautiful tight bud unfolds its 25 large, crisp, heavy-textured petals of brilliant satiny raspberry-pink, the bloom becomes lovelier in every succeeding stage, and the great full-blown flower is a thing of splendor. This one belongs near the top of your list. Plant Pat. No. 337. \$1.50 each.

Mrs. Pierre S. duPont. 2939. A bushy, 2-foot plant thickly covered with luxuriant, glossy green foliage, surmounted with many stiff-stemmed, medium-sized, golden yellow buds, heavy with fragrance. A solid performer in the garden. \$1.25 each.

Most Popular Yellow

Mrs. Erskine P. Thom. 2937. Yellow roses come and go but Mrs. Thom continues pleasing gardeners and out-selling newer yellows each year. The reason is apparent when you see the beautiful, well-shaped buds of brilliant clear canary-yellow, and the lavish way in which the vigorous bush produces them. Morning after morning you can cut quantities of beautiful buds on sturdy, long stems. \$1.00 each.

Mrs. Sam McGredy

Mrs. Sam McGredy. 2941. This wonderful rose is beautifully colored copper-orange, flushed with Lincoln Red. There is no color in roses like it. The buds are long-pointed, high-centered and double with a sweet fragrance, and the low growing bush has the most beautiful bronzy green, glossy foliage of all. See also the new climbing sport on page 7. \$1.50 each.

Heart's Desire (at right), long budded and fragrant.

Eclipse (at left), the "Streamlined Rose."

Armstrong Bush Roses

Shades of Night

Night. 2943. One of the darkest of all roses, deep crimson shaded black and maroon. The buds and flowers are well shaped, quite double, and have a spicy clove and cinnamon fragrance that will captivate you. It's the best of the deep dark reds, and like most dark flowers, it's best in cool weather. See also the new climbing sport, page 7. \$1.25 each.

Numa Fay. 2944. We think it one of the best light pink roses in existence because of the form and gorgeous color of the bloom. The large flower is a soft orange-salmon in the bud, opening to a delightful peach-pink or pale salmon, and each is full, high-centered and lovely. \$1.50 each.

Odine

Odine. 2945. We've picked some of the most beautiful long-pointed, snowy white buds imaginable from this new rose. Perfect white rose buds are scarce, and these you'll agree are just about perfect. Just a hint of ivory in cool weather, otherwise immaculately white. Sweetly fragrant, too. \$2.00 each.

Peace. 2947. 1946 All-America Winner. Yellow, cream and apple blossom. See back cover. \$2.50 each.

Piccaninny. 2948. A medium sized single rose with five crisp, overlapping petals in a rich deep dark red color with maroon shadings. The flowers are delightfully redolent of the rich spicy scent of cinnamon, and are continuously borne on long stems on the tall, willowy, free-branching plant. The foliage is glossy, too. \$2.00 each.

Picture

Picture. 2949. The big, husky plant is continuously bursting with bloom and neither our color plate or any adjectives can possibly do justice to the warm, rich salmon-pink tones of the perfectly-formed buds and long-lasting flowers. When you've seen those bright cheerful pink buds for yourself, you'll know what we mean. \$1.25 ea.

Pinocchio

Pinocchio. 2951. Great clusters of beautiful Baby Roses in the brightest, cheeriest, daintiest shades of salmon, flushed with gold. Every little bud in the cluster is a perfect garden rose in miniature. Marvelous for boutonnieres, corsages or bouquets. Plant Pat. No. 484. \$1.50 each.

The Radiance Roses

Radiance. 2957. Under all conditions of soil or climate, this vigorous, hardy, disease-resistant variety will probably produce more fine roses than any other. Give it plenty of room and be prepared to pick plenty of long-stemmed, silvery-pink, deliciously fragrant flowers. It will not disappoint you. \$1.00 each.

Red Radiance. 2961. Exactly the same as its sister, Radiance, except that the flower is a rich cerise-red. \$1.00 each.

Rubaiyat. 2964. Large deep pink or cerise. See back cover. \$2.00 each.

Poinsettia

Poinsettia. 2953. A gorgeous red, unexcelled for sheer dazzling brilliancy. The well-shaped, high-centered buds are made up of satiny petals in such a vivid shade of red that they seem to glow from within. Long-stemmed beauties are borne continuously, but the color and form of the fall flowers will be best of all. \$1.25 each.

President Hoover

President Herbert Hoover. 2955. No rose planting is complete without this wonderful multicolor, combining shades of cerise-pink, flame, scarlet, and yellow. The long buds open slowly into a magnificent, deliciously fragrant flower, heavy yet beautifully formed, on the huskiest, longest stems imaginable. Give it plenty of room—it's big and grand. \$1.00 each.

Showy Saturnia

Saturnia. 2965. If you live along the coast, plant this variety for brilliance of color that will dazzle you. The glorious, long-budded, long-petalled flowers of brilliant cardinal-red, salmon, yellow and copper are exceedingly fragrant, too. Plant Pat. No. 349. \$1.50 each.

Show Girl. 2967. Long, lovely pink buds. See page 3. \$2.00 each.

Signora

Signora. 2971. You seldom see it without some long-stemmed exceedingly attractive buds and flowers, every one perfect no matter what the weather. The color is usually a most intense shade of scarlet-orange with other lighter shades of tangerine and cerise. Plant Pat. No. 201. \$1.50 each.

Mme. Henri Guilloi has many perfect buds

Talisman

Talisman. 2981. This brilliant rose is a favorite with florists because it is one of the loveliest cut flowers grown. The exquisitely formed, orange-scarlet and golden yellow buds, long-stemmed and richly fragrant, are easily grown and should be a part of every rose garden. \$1.00 each.

Snowbird. 2974. We think it one of the loveliest white roses grown. Many long, beautifully shaped, flaring white buds open into snowy, high-centered blooms, crowded with small petals. Perfect in all stages. Very fragrant. \$1.50 each.

Sweet Sixteen. 2979. Perfection in pink. See page 3. \$1.50 each.

Red Hoover

Texas Centennial. 2983. Like President Hoover, it is large and robust, with the same long, sturdy stems except that the magnificently formed, large buds and flowers are a glowing carmine-red, becoming blood-red in cooler weather. See also the new Climbing Texas Centennial on page 7. Plant Pat. No. 162. \$1.50 each.

The Chief. 2985. Fragrant, flame-colored. See page 3. \$1.50 each.

Biggest of All

The Doctor. 2987. Enormous, silvery pink, large-petalled blooms, so big they hardly seem real, 6 inches across, with the buds in proportion. Exceedingly rich full-bodied fragrance. One of these big, beautifully proportioned, richly colored, sweetly perfumed flowers is really an event in the garden. \$1.50 each.

Girona is a beautiful multi-color.

Lowell Thomas, the fine All-America yellow. (At left.)

Armstrong Climbing Roses

Gigantic Pink Blooms

Belle of Portugal. 3005. No rose will grow more vigorously and it literally covers itself with blossoms from January to May. The amazing salmon-pink buds are gigantic, often 3 or 4 inches in length. \$1.25 each.

Billy Boiler. 3007. Beautifully shaped, deliciously fragrant blooms of deep red with blackish shadings. They will not fade in the hottest sun. \$1.50 each.

Captain Thomas. 3009. This magnificent climber has myriads of single, creamy yellow flowers almost every week of the spring, summer and fall. Its handsome, glossy foliage is a beautiful covering for a fence or wall, practically mildew-proof, and in California, evergreen. Plant Pat. No. 393. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Cecile Brunner. 3015. It has long been a favorite with its great quantities of perfect, miniature pink buds on a densely foliated, vigorous plant. You can cut the dainty buds practically any time, for it blooms almost perpetually. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Chris Stone

Climbing Christopher Stone. 3017. Those great big, velvety intensely bright red flowers, with wavy petals and delicious perfume, that are typical of Christopher Stone, can now be had on a climbing plant. This gorgeous red climber makes a dazzling spring display. Plant Pat. pending. \$2.00 each.

Climbing Dainty Bess. 3021. Almost any spring day you can cut an armful of dainty, single, amber-pink flowers, with wine-red stamens, long-stemmed and long-lasting. There will be plenty left because the large plant is covered with lovely blooms. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Etoile de Hollande. 3023. Produces some of the finest big red buds and open flowers that we have ever seen on any rose, and the blooms are larger and on longer stems than the bush Etoile de Hollande. It possesses the same delicate fragrance, and we rate it as the finest red climbing rose. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Golden Dawn. 3025. The big, sunflower-yellow, fully double flowers of Golden Dawn are exceedingly popular and this vigorous climbing sport will produce quantities of the fine large blooms. We think it is the best climbing rose in light yellow shades. Plant Pat. No. 243. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Golden Rapture. 3027. Armstrong-originated, the climbing form of this glorious shining yellow rose will give you some of the most beautifully formed buds and open flowers in roses. blooms. We think it is the best climbing buds on long stem literally make a bouquet of sunshine. Plant Pat. No. 508. \$1.50 each.

Orange-Vermilion

Climbing Hinrich Gaede. 3031. The profusion of flaming orange-vermilion blossoms gives the bush the appearance of being on fire. Pat. No. 244. \$1.50 each.

Climbing K A. Victoria. 3033. The large, high-centered, double flowers are always beautiful. Strong growing, heavily flowered. \$1.25 each.

Climbing Mary Hari. 3035. The perfect buds of the Talisman Rose in a velvety blood-red shade. Climbs vigorously, with long-stemmed, beautifully formed, fragrant buds. \$1.50 each.

Climbing McGredy's Ivory. 3037. The perfect ivory-white buds are deliciously fragrant and open to big, showy flowers. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Mrs. Sam McGredy. 3039. The most beautiful, glossy, bronzy green foliage in Roseland, together with beautifully formed, coppery orange buds and flowers. Plant Pat. No. 394. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Night. 3041. This vigorous climber, with its large velvety richly fragrant flowers of deep crimson shaded black and maroon, puts on a beautiful show. Plant Pat. No. 439. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Picture. 3043. You'll get hundreds of beautiful, long-stemmed, perfectly formed buds, each flower a perfect picture. Clear rose-pink with warm salmon undertones. Enchantingly fragrant. Plant Pat. No. 524. \$2.00 each.

Climbing President Herbert Hoover. 3045. The famous President Hoover, with its pink, red, yellow and buff flowers, as a climber grows phenomenally. Every bloom perfect. \$1.25 each.

Climbing Talisman

Climbing Talisman. 3047. It is difficult to imagine anything more striking than a fence or trellis covered with the lovely red and gold flowers of the much admired Talisman. \$1.25 each.

Climbing Texas Centennial. 3049. The long, brick-red buds with their big, red open flowers are larger, more lovely and borne on longer stems than on the bush form. Plant Pat. No. 565. \$1.50 each.

Climbing Ville de Paris. 3051. A popular, clear bright yellow which stays shiningly unfaded as the flowers age. Its glossy, large, handsome foliage makes an attractive background for the brilliant yellow flowers. \$1.50 each.

Gay Mood. 3053. Just seeing those rich deep coral-flame colored buds and flowers covering the 6-foot plant will put you in a gay mood. It keeps right on blooming, spring and summer. \$1.50 each.

Gold of Ophir. 3054. In spring masses of old gold and apricot flowers literally cover the plant. \$2.00 each.

Talisman is available not only as a richly colored climber but as a bush rose.

Spanish Beauty

Mme. Gregoire Staechelin. 3061. For exquisite beauty of color and form, this pink rose from Spain is unexcelled. Long-pointed, delicate pink buds, shaded with carmine, open into a semi-double flower with wavy petals and a delightful fragrance. \$1.50 each.

Marechal Neil. 3057. This superb old lemon-yellow Noisette with its large, globular, delightfully scented blooms is still popular even though it was introduced in 1864. Exceedingly vigorous and profuse in bloom, it has an alluring old-fashioned charm. \$2.00 each.

Mermaid. 3059. Use it as a climber on wall or fence, as a pillar rose, or just as a big rambling bush. Has glossy, evergreen foliage and in season will be covered with exquisite, large, single flowers of pale, sulphury yellow, gold centered. \$1.25 each.

Paul's Scarlet. 3063. Double flowers of intense vivid scarlet appear in clusters of from 3 to 20 literally covering the plant from top to bottom. They make a gorgeous mass of spring color. \$1.25 each.

Rose Anne. 3065. A moderate grower. The flowers are a beautiful soft orange-apricot, and the 18-inch stems make it one of the finest climbing roses for cutting. \$1.50 each.

Sungold. 3067. Many lovely, long slender golden, yellow buds with a hint of lemon, opening to full, double flowers which hold shape and color well under all conditions. \$2.00 each.

Picture, our most popular pink climber.

Armstrong Tree Roses

Standard or Tree-shaped Roses have the desired variety budded into the top of a straight, heavy stalk, thus forming a bushy, flowering head about 36 inches above the ground. Grown in this manner, many varieties produce more and even better flowers than on the ordinary bush. Tree Roses are shipped anywhere without soil from December through April. We pay transportation costs in the United States.

Price: \$4.50 each, \$40.00 per 10 (except Rubaiyat, which is \$5.00 each, \$45.00 per 10.)

Charlotte Armstrong. 2501. Blood-red to cerise. Our finest rose.

Christopher Stone. 2503. Scarlet.

Countess Vandal. 2507. Salmon-pink.

Crimson Glory. 2509. Crimson.

Debonair. 2510. New primrose yellow with perfect fragrant buds.

Eclipse. 2511. Plenty of long, slender, yellow buds.

Girona. 2513. Red-pink and yellow.

Heart's Desire. 2515. Fragrant red.

K. A. Victoria. 2519. White.

Katherine T. Marshall. 2520. Pink.

Mirandy. 2523. New dark red. Fragrant All-America Winner.

Mme. Henri Guillot. 2527. A perfect rose, velvety raspberry pink.

Mrs. E. P. Thom. 2529. Yellow.

Peace. 2533. Yellow tinted pink.

Picture. 2535. Sparkling pink.

President Hoover. 2541. Cerise, flame scarlet and yellow.

Rubaiyat. 2544. 1947 All-America Winner. Striking large cerise.

Show Girl. 2545. New deep rose-pink. Exquisite bud and flower.

Talisman. 2547. Scarlet and gold.

Texas Centennial. 2549. Rose-red.

Anemone Monarch de Caen

Calla Lilies

In cool, shady spots they quickly establish permanent clumps. The Yellow Calla is one of the best flowers to bring sunshine into a shady spot, and all kinds make handsome foreground foliage and excellent cut flowers.

Large White Calla (*Calla aethiopica*). The popular large flowered pure white variety. The blooms appear on long stems and are surrounded with big handsome, glossy foliage. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.35; 100 for \$15.35

Golden Yellow Calla (*Calla elliottiana*). The showy flowers are a rich golden yellow while the large bright green leaves are marked with silver. Large blooming size bulbs. Illustrated page 9. 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.00; 100 for \$19.75.

Dwarf Pink Calla

Pink Calla (*Calla rehmanni*). A dainty dwarf Calla with petite flowers shaded from frosty pink to cerise. It only grows about 12 inches high and makes a most interesting pot plant. Planted in a shady spot in your garden it is certain to arouse enthusiastic comments. 50c each; 3 for \$1.30; 12 for \$4.10.

Baby Gladiolus

These are the dainty, graceful "Orchid Gladiolus" and are entirely different from the common garden Gladiolus. The sturdy 18-inch spikes are crowded with blooms which have bright clear shades of red, orange, pink and lavender. Each graceful petal has a distinctive, vividly colored diamond marking. Because of the way the blooms face on the individual stems it is no trick to arrange them in graceful bouquets. Each spike seems to have an easily recognized front and back side. Plant them 3 or 4 inches apart in a sunny place. 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.80; 100 for \$11.85.

Armstrong Quality Bulbs

Armstrong Bulbs are the best that can be secured, for we handle top size bulbs only. There is a great difference in the quality of bulbs, but we want our customers to have only the best. Undersized bulbs give indifferent results, and we do not attempt to compete on prices. You will find our prices reasonable for the fine quality bulbs that we supply. For superior blooms, satisfying in size and color, plant these quality bulbs.

Important! Please Read Before Ordering

Please Note. No mail order for less than \$1.00 can be accepted for shipment. Please send cash with order. No C.O.D.'s.

Quantity Rates. No bulbs sold in any quantity less than the smallest quantity noted for each variety. Where the minimum quantity permits six bulbs of one variety are sold at the 12-rate and 50 bulbs at the 100-rate.

Directions for Planting. Complete planting instructions will accompany each order.

Shipping Time. Most bulbs listed in this catalog are ready for shipment in September or October, but a few are not ready until later. In each case we will forward each kind on your order at the proper time to plant. Roses are shipped after December 15. For complete rose information see page 2.

Prices Subject to Change. Although there is little likelihood of the prices quoted in this catalog being changed prior to December 1, 1946, we reserve the right to change them, without notice, at any time.

All bulbs sent prepaid in U. S. A.

Armstrong Anemones

These poppy-like garden flowers with their brilliant hues of blue, rose, crimson and scarlet, grow from 8 to 12 inches high and prefer full sunshine. Planted in masses (6 to 9 inches apart) they are most effective and they make splendid cut flowers to mix with *Ranunculus* since *Ranunculus* lack the blue shades and the *Anemones* lack the yellow shades.

Plant any time from October to March. They bloom in early or late spring, depending on when they are planted.

Order not less than 12 of one variety

Monarch De Caen

Monarch de Caen. The most famous of all *Anemone* strains. The giant long-stemmed, single, saucer-shaped flowers include a great variety of dazzling shades of rose, red, blue, purple and lavender. Our No. 1 grade is our best seller. However, the exceptionally fine Jumbo bulbs are well worth the additional amount asked, and the No. 2 bulbs are satisfactory.

Jumbo: 12 for \$1.55; 25 for \$2.70; 100 for \$8.55.

No. 1: 12 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$6.60.

No. 2: 12 for \$.70; 25 for \$1.25; 100 for \$3.95.

Red, White and Blue

Plant a red, white and blue border of *Anemones*. The solid masses of color adjoining each other will give spectacularly beautiful landscape effect.

Price on *Anemones* given below, No. 1 bulbs: 12 for \$1.45; 25 for \$2.50; 100 for \$7.90.

His Excellency. Great 3-inch flowers of vivid, dazzling scarlet with a silver-white base. One of the showiest of all *Anemones*.

The Bride. This fine pure white strain is a development of recent years and by far the finest of its color. Some should be included in every planting because they are exceptionally good for mixing in the reds and blues and for a contrast in cut flower arrangements.

Blue Poppy. A marvelous selection of white centered blue flowers. Outstandingly effective when planted together or with the red, *His Excellency*, and the white, *The Bride*.

S1. Brigid. This double and semi-double strain was very popular among those who visited the growing fields last summer. Many showy colors are present in the mixture. The blooms are excellent for bright graceful bouquets.

Armstrong Bearded Iris

One of the easiest of all perennial plants to grow and sure to give satisfaction even with a minimum of care. The more improved varieties such as we offer below are amazingly beautiful in their colorings and in the size of the blooms. The kinds that we offer include those of the most outstanding merit only.

Airy Dream. One of the best pink bearded iris. Tall stems, clear pink flowers. 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.15.

Alta California. Tall, slightly bronzed yellow, much used in landscaping. 35c each; 3 for 85c; 12 for \$2.70.

Blue Gown. One of the taller growing Irises, usually attaining a height of around 4 to 5 feet. Very deep blue, exceptionally large. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

China Maid. The large, well-proportioned flowers are carried on tall, graceful stems. The color is an intriguing blend of pink, golden bronze and soft lilac. \$1.75 each; 3 for \$4.75.

Day's Farewell. The large standards are a rose-lavender. The long hanging falls are deeper rose-lavender overlaid at the center with brown. Midseason bloomer. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50; 12 for \$7.90.

Desirable. Large white flowers heavily marked with a bright purple. The contrast is very pronounced. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

Early Mass. A tall light blue, with standards slightly bluer in tone than the falls. The soft, broad, tapering beard is tipped with warm yellow. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.

Fair Enough. Medium blue-toned with broad, crisp, sparkling petals. Perfectly branched stems 4 feet tall. One of the earliest to flower in the spring and still in bloom in the fall after most others are through. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

Frieda Mohr. A beautiful large pink bicolor. The standards are pale lilac, while the falls are a deep lilac-pink. Tall growing. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.

Golden Flare. A brilliant, medium sized flower of flame-rose and yellow. A low grower and good for cutting. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$2.85.

Gold Nugget. Beardless Iris. Excellent for cutting and blooms after the Bearded Iris. Plant in full sun but give it plenty of water. \$1.20 each; 3 for \$3.00; 12 for \$9.45.

Indian Chief. Bronzy-violet standards with falls of carmine. An outstanding red. 3 feet. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$2.85.

Lucre. This is the deepest yellow it is possible to produce. A very prolific bloomer. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

Pale Moonlight. One of the finest light blues. Tall, sturdy stems. The standards 4 inches high; the falls slightly flaring, 4 inches long; beard bright orange. Illustrated at right. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.

Purissima. A perfect, clear white with large blooms beautifully poised on tall, graceful stems. A vigorous grower and early bloomer. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$2.85.

Regent. An excellent tall light yellow, growing to around 3½ feet in height. The luminous sheen attracts attention whenever seen in the garden. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

Tenaya. A most satisfactory garden Iris. The color is a blackish reddish-purple. 40c each; 3 for 95c; 12 for \$3.00.

Yellow Callas will bring sunshine into your garden

Pale Moonlight

Armstrong Dutch Iris

Dutch Iris certainly are not orchids but the shape of their blooms is somewhat similar and certainly their colors are as exquisite and as delicately blended as those of a real orchid. These bulbous Iris are extremely easy to grow in almost any soil, but they prefer the lighter ones. Unsurpassed as a cut flower, they last fully a week. A bed of them in the garden makes a brilliant splash of color.

Price on varieties listed below: 12 for \$1.55; 25 for \$2.65; 100 for \$8.40. Order not less than 12 of one variety.

Blue Horizon. Standards broad and strong, light violet blue. Falls soft sky blue with a narrow orange stripe making a very beautiful flower.

David Haring. A very large pure white kind.

Excelsior. A new delightfully fragrant pure white Iris with a yellow stripe on each fall; medium growing.

Gerrit van Hees. Broad, brilliant purplish blue standards and royal blue falls with a pale yellow stripe. Flowers very large.

Imperator. Rich deep blue. The most popular late blooming variety.

Yellow Queen. Shades of clear yellow that blend beautifully with the blue shaded varieties.

Five Color Dutch Iris Collection

We want you to become acquainted with the fine cut flower possibilities of Dutch Iris so we make you this attractive offer:

- 5 Dark Blue (one variety)
- 5 Light Blue (one variety)
- 5 Violet-Blue (one variety)
- 5 White (one variety)
- 5 Yellow (one variety)

All for \$2.75. Ask for Dutch Iris Collection No. 3.

Leucocoryne ixiioides odorata

Glory of the Sun

Leucocoryne ixiioides odorata. This new bulbous flowering plant called "Glory of the Sun" was introduced but recently from the wilds of Chile and the bulbs are still scarce. The blooms are borne in clusters in the spring on a 15-inch stem, and the color is a delightful heavenly blue, with a white throat and striking golden stamens. The flowers are delicately sweet-scented, and have the ability to keep in water as a cut flower for ten days. All No. 1 bulbs.

3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.60; 100 for \$10.50.

Your bulb order may be sent in several shipments because all bulb varieties are not ready at the same time and are forwarded at the proper planting season.

Freesias, fragrant and colorful

Star of Bethlehem

Ornithogalum arabicum. The old favorite "Star of Bethlehem" has been somewhat neglected in recent years but is now coming back because of the fact that so many planters have seen it at Easter time in older gardens where it was planted many years ago, still thriving vigorously and sending up its large umbels of pure white flowers with jet black centers. It is an exceptionally fine cut flower, keeping for weeks and even months after cutting. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.40; 100 for \$9.20.

Ixias

Each winter we enjoy the brilliantly colorful beds in our neighborhood which are permanently planted to the petite winter-flowering *Ixias*. Some have been unchanged for 10 years. It is one of the few flowers in which the metallic shades of green and bronze appear. They are low growing and ideal for mass planting or borders. Plant them in your sunniest place.

Mixed Colors. Blues, purples, yellows and intense scarlet, carmine and cerise combined in contrasting shades. 12 for \$1.70; 25 for \$2.90; 100 for \$9.20.

Spring Snowflakes

Leucojum vernum. A dainty and easily grown spring flower which thrives anywhere in the garden. The vigorous foliage is like that of a daffodil and the exquisite little nodding flowers on 12-inch stems are pure white with a dot of green on each petal. They form large clumps when left for several years and make an exquisitely beautiful bit of spring cheer. 12 for \$1.80; 25 for \$3.10; 100 for \$9.85.

Lilies

Lilium candidum "Madonna Lily."

From antiquity with a long and romantic history comes the Madonna Lily. It has been St. Joseph's Lily, Annunciation Lily, Lily of the Boursbons, Lent Lily, Easter Lily and others, but Madonna describes its pure white beauty more accurately. It will be the first Lily to bloom in your garden. \$1.30 each; 3 for \$3.25; 12 for \$10.25.

Lilium pardalinum giganteum. A California native hybrid Lily producing stems up to 7 feet tall. The gigantic blooms are orange-yellow, spotted maroon and blended into a rich bronzy shade of orange-red at the tip. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

Regal Lily

Lilium regale. The Regal Lily is probably the most satisfactory and popular Lily for the entire Pacific Coast. The strain we offer is domestic grown and free from any virus infection. The flowers (see illustration at right) are borne in great clusters on 4-foot stems, offering a magnificent spectacle in June and July. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.

Note: If you want to be sure to have our 1947 General Catalog mailed to you, please return the postcard which is enclosed with this Catalog. Catalogs will be scarce, and unless you indicate that you want it, it cannot be mailed to you.

Fragrant Tecolote Freesias

Something New in Freesias

The spectacular, giant flowered Tecolote Freesias are twice the size of ordinary kinds. The delicately fragrant blooms appear so early in the spring that they are almost classed as winter flowers. These improved varieties, like the old-fashioned favorites, are easy to permanently establish in the garden. Freesias grow well in either sun or part-shade.

12 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$6.60. Order not less than 12 of one variety.

Tecolote White. This is the finest and largest white Freesia. Some white should be planted with the other colors because it enhances the brilliancy of the other shades and the flowers go well in mixed bouquets.

Tecolote Talisman. Plant Pat. 555. Very early flowering Freesia with large bright orange-pink flowers with rich cream throats, not unlike the coloring of a Talisman Rose. A fine addition to the Tecolote series. Showy.

Tecolote Mixture. This is a special blend of many named varieties of Freesias. This collection is the best way to get a wide variety of interesting colors.

Transvaal Daisies (Gerberas)

Gerberas (Jamesonii Hybrid). The graceful shape and the delicate rainbow hues of their blooms which are borne on stout yet dainty stems, coupled with excellent keeping qualities, make these an ideal cut flower. We offer a very select strain of giant single flowers in a well balanced color assortment which includes pink, salmon, white, red, yellow, and orange shades. During the fall and winter Gerberas are available as bare root divisions. This method of handling them is ideal for the plants and makes it possible for us to quote you extremely low prices. Mixed colors only. Husky divisions, 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.00; 100 for \$19.50.

Armstrong Gladiolus

We know you will be pleased with the large, high-crowned No. 1 bulbs which we send, and the low prices will enable you to order generously for your garden. We have tried to select only those varieties which will produce superb blooms. Our selection includes those Gladiolus of the older varieties which are ever popular and which have been proven, and we also offer for your selection five new varieties which we think are tops. You will find in your Gladiolus bulbs the same superb quality which is instilled into every other Armstrong product. All Gladiolus are treated with Methyl Bromide to be certain the bulbs will be free of thrip. Bulbs will be ready November 1.

The Latest and Best

From the many new Gladiolus introductions which are forthcoming each year, we have selected five varieties which we believe to be among the best of those introduced in recent years. These varieties have been tried extensively, and we believe they measure up to our standards of quality and beauty.

40c each; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.15.

Ellen Marie. A soft, glowing light pink—a decidedly different shade of pink than any other Gladiolus. Five or six large, ruffled florets open at one time. The florets are well arranged on tall, straight stems. Midseason bloomer.

Ivory Keys. An unusual shade of rich ivory, with immense flowers, possessing a heavy, long-lasting texture. Six or seven florets are open at one time and every spike is borne on a strong, straight stem.

Malta. A must for every garden. This large-flowered Gladiolus opens 5 or 6 florets at one time. Each spike is borne on a tall, straight stem. The color, soft Begonia-Rose, and the immense size of the open florets, will produce a magnificent show in your garden.

Oregon Gold. A new ivory-yellow Gladiolus which is a good grower, producing an abundance of attractive blooms. Six to eight florets are open at one time, well arranged on tall, slender stems.

Stoplight. A daring ruby-red, showing 8 to 10 ruffled florets on tall, straight stems. Its striking color will make it the center of attraction in your garden. Its early blooming, dazzling color and sturdy growth make it the best new red.

Gladiolus Rapture

Regal Lily

Standard Varieties

From among the thousands of varieties of Gladiolus, we have here made a selection of what we consider to be the finest of both the newer and older varieties. Each Gladiolus variety listed here is a good one, and the colors are so varied that it is easy to make a good selection.

To make it easy for you to order an assortment of colors, we list below Mixed Gladiolus and also our Special Gladiolus Collection which furnishes you with a good selection of variety and color.

Price on all varieties, except as noted: 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.60; 25 for \$2.60; 100 for \$8.85.

Beacon. One of the tallest and most brilliant in color. Eight or more florets open at once on very long spikes. Bright scarlet with creamy throat.

Debonair. This tall, strong growing variety is one of the earliest to bloom. Six or seven of the well-spaced salmon-pink blooms are open at one time.

Duna. A soft, light pink-buff. The backs of the petals are a shade darker than the inside. Five to six large florets open at one time, carried on straight spikes of medium height. Blooms midseason.

Gold Eagle. Each tall spike on this vigorous variety is loaded with lasting flowers of topaz yellow.

Golden Cup. An early blooming variety of clear golden color without other shades. Five or six of the fine gold florets are open at one time, and each spike is borne on a tall stem.

La Fiesta. The rich orange shades are overlaid with yellow splashings. Blooms midseason, flowers are well spaced and is a tall vigorous grower.

Maid of Orleans. A very popular dainty white with a creamy throat. The flowers are well shaped and are borne on tall, strong spikes.

Margaret Beaton. A gladiolus with unusual character. Each tall, straight spike is loaded with blooms. Seven or eight perfectly formed, large, pure white flowers are open at one time, each with a feathery splash of vivid carmine.

Margaret Fulton. An early blooming popular commercial variety; deep salmon-pink lighter at the throat—opens 6 to 7 florets at one time and keeps very well.

Pelegrina. In a class by itself in the deep indigo or violet-blues. The color is a rich, deep violet-blue with a darker blue blotch in the throat. This variety, excellent for cutting, is a most unusual flower.

Picardy. By far the most popular of all Gladiolus. The color is a soft glowing flesh-pink, the flowers unusually large, and one of the finest for cutting.

Rapture. An excellent light salmon-pink with a diffused yellow blotch. The color illustration, at left, hardly does justice to its beauty. Very strong, tall, upright grower with 5 to 7 blooms open at a time. A fine variety.

Valerie. The color is a soft scarlet, almost salmon, a very distinctive color and one much desired. It opens many blooms at one time, of large size, and on unusually long flower spikes.

Mixed Gladiolus. In this mixture we use only the large jumbo bulbs taken from our regular stock of the varieties listed above. 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.45; 100 for \$8.35.

Special Gladiolus Collection

Six bulbs of each of the eight famous varieties listed below. Think of the baskets full of cut blooms you will get from these 48 bulbs and the color they will bring into your garden. The varieties included are:

Beacon. Bright scarlet.

Debonair. Salmon.

Gold Eagle. Yellow.

Maid of Orleans. White.

Margaret Fulton. Salmon.

Margaret Beaton. White.

Pelegrina. Blue.

Rapture. Salmon-pink.

Ask for Collection No. 4. \$4.95, postpaid.

Narcissus King Alfred

Two Royal Daffodils

King Alfred. The finest golden yellow of all the large flowered giant trumpet Daffodils. Its great bold, beautifully frilled trumpets stand out crisply and luxuriantly on long stiff stems and its lovely uniformly rich golden yellow color is unsurpassingly brilliant. An early bloomer—it is truly a king among the Daffodils. See illustration above. Jumbo size bulbs, 3 for 95c; 12 for \$3.20; 100 for \$21.00. Double Nose No. 1 bulbs, 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.40; 100 for \$15.75.

Emperor. Immense long-stemmed flowers of golden yellow, the trumpet slightly deeper than the perianth (outer petals). It blooms late when most of the other varieties are gone and is very dependable. 3 for 85c; 12 for \$2.80; 100 for \$18.40.

A Pink Daffodil

Mrs. R. O. Backhouse. The most famous of pink daffodils. Petals of ivory white surround the long slim trumpet which is apricot-pink changing to shell-pink at the frilled edge. \$1.20 each; 3 for \$3.00.

The White "King Alfred"

Mrs. E. H. Krelage. Possibly the most famous of white Daffodils, with its large overlapping perianth of soft creamy white and the long trumpet of pale primrose, so light that it is placed in the white trumpet class. The flowers are long-stemmed, and it is an easy variety to grow. It has sometimes been complimented by being called "The White King Alfred." 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; 12 for \$4.75.

Mrs. E. H. Krelage

Armstrong Narcissi (Daffodils)

The sunshiny-petaled fragrant Daffodils during February and March are the showiest and the finest for cutting. You will have no trouble growing them. They will thrive in any sunny spot, and in any good garden soil. Planted 6 inches apart, other later blooming plants may be grown in between without disturbing them, and even though they multiply it is always at least three years before they need to be dug up and replanted.

Daffodil Family Collection

Here is your chance to learn to know varieties in all the main Narcissi groups with a small investment. This collection consists of 25 large No. 1 bulbs taken from our regular stock. Daffodil varieties look well together so we suggest that you plant the collection in one bed to create your garden's most interesting spot from the time the earliest varieties bloom until the late ones are through and you have finished "meeting the family" of Daffodil kinds.

This Collection (No. 1) includes:

7 Giant Trumpet Daffodils (4 varieties)
1 Double Daffodil
6 Shallow Cup Daffodils (3 varieties)
2 Poetaz

2 Fragrant Jonquils
5 Short-cup Daffodils
1 Triandrus Hybrid
1 Cyclamineus Hybrid

Order as Collection No. 1, price \$6.25, postpaid in United States.

Giant Trumpet Daffodils

Aerolite. The giant flower is beautifully proportioned and graceful; has a deep yellow trumpet thrust out in bold relief against the broad pointed primrose yellow star formed by the enormous outer petals. Blooming early and remaining late, it is one of the longest lasting of all Daffodils either in the garden or as a cut flower. 3 for \$1.10; 12 for \$3.60; 100 for \$23.75.

Ben Hur. This new Giant variety with its immense deeply frilled blooms of pure Roman gold is our largest Daffodil. Beautifully proportioned despite its giant size, it has a unique flaring "loud speaker" trumpet. 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.90; 100 for \$26.30.

Beersheba. A glorious pure white giant trumpet Daffodil. The flowers have a parchment-like texture—last for weeks. A long slender trumpet with magnificent large petals. \$2.00 each; 3 for \$5.00.

Spring Glory

Short-Cup Mixture

There are many hundreds of varieties of the Short-Cup Daffodils, including Incomparabilis, Biarrii, Leedsii, Poeticus and Poetaz types. For those who want a collection of the finest varieties but are not particular about having them as named kinds, we provide a mixture including only good varieties which we can offer at a very low price unlabeled. Please order as Short-Cup Daffodils Mixed. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Bi-Color Daffodil

Spring Glory. A very early showy bi-color Daffodil, with a large white perianth, broad and spreading, and a large handsome trumpet of chrome-yellow with a beautifully frilled mouth. The finest of the early bi-colors. 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00; 100 for \$26.30.

Bunch-Flowered Narcissi

No other group of Narcissi blooms as freely or naturalizes as readily as these free-blooming favorites. The big clusters of small yet perfectly formed blooms make their appearance early in the spring and will fill your garden with their intense fragrance. The long, sturdy stems hold the flower heads proudly erect, a requisite for lovely floral arrangements.

Poetaz Narcissus

Laurens Koster. These delightfully fragrant flowers top long, tall stems and are borne in clusters of five to seven blooms. This is a hybrid between the Poet's Narcissus and the Bunch-Flowered Narcissus. Those who have grown them prize them highly for their large clusters of deliciously fragrant, well formed flowers and for their vigorous growing habit. Do not confuse this group with the more common Chinese Sacred Lily as the Poetaz have larger blooms. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Soleil d'Or. This is the newer golden kind. The gleaming yellow flowers with their deep brilliant orange cups are very showy and appear very early in the garden before the other Narcissi. The bulbs increase rapidly in the garden. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Chinese Sacred Lily. This is the Chinese "Flower of the Gods." Each bulb produces several spikes of exceedingly fragrant white flowers with a yellow cup. Grows easily in the garden, blooms early and is excellent for growing in bowls for indoor enjoyment. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Paper-White Narcissus. The popular cluster-flowered, pure white Narcissus so often grown both indoors and out. Blooms very early in the winter in California. One bulb will frequently have as many as 30 intensely fragrant individual blooms. Plant in bowls for fragrant early blooms indoors. 3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.30; 100 for \$8.55.

"Different" Daffodils

Our customers get a lot of pleasure out of trying some of the rarer exhibition Daffodils that we can highly recommend as spectacular and outstanding

February Gold

February Gold will surprise you. The blooms are golden all right, but the long trumpets are interestingly fringed with orange. Starts to bloom very early—but is still going strong in February, and you get, on each stem, two or three large blooms with gracefully curved-back petals. 3 for 95c; 12 for \$3.20; 100 for \$21.00.

Red Shadow

Red Shadow. Creamy yellow petals with a chrome yellow cup margined with orange-red, making a bold appearing flower. This is a beautiful plant in the garden and one of the latest to bloom. 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00; 100 for \$26.30.

Helios

Helios. A splendid vigorous plant, with broad foliage and heavy stems, and the flower has that attractive "looking at you" habit. The perianth is a deep golden yellow, the petals overlapping. The shallow cup opens a little darker than the petals and in cool weather deepens to a light orange. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.40; 100 for \$15.75.

Tunis

Tunis. The experts agree that this giant flowered, tall, robust grower is tops. The large, wide flaring ivory trumpets have turned back, neatly cut borders of coppery gold. They look out at you against a beautifully contrasting background of pure white petals. 80c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$6.30.

A group of three Trumpet Narcissi: Emperor, Spring Glory, Aerolite

Fragrant Jonquils

Below we list two dainty Jonquil Narcissi varieties with typical miniature Daffodil blooms, perfectly formed and extremely fragrant. Some confuse these varieties with the Poetaz Narcissi and the Bunch Flowered Narcissi. However, Jonquils are entirely different and distinctive, blooming much earlier than most Narcissi. Try several clumps around the base of a small deciduous tree, such as a birch. They'll bloom before the tree leaves out in the early spring, and you'll enjoy them immensely.

Campernelle Single

Campernelle. A single flowered golden Narcissus really entitled to the name Jonquil. Because of its extreme earliness, ability to grow anywhere, and exquisite scent, there should be a clump of them in every garden. The foliage is grass-like, and the dainty miniature blooms are usually borne three on a stalk. They bloom in February in Southern California and make marvelous winter cut flowers. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Hybrid Jonquil

Golden Sceptre. A new Hybrid Jonquil which is only half the size of the Giant Trumpets but much more gracefully proportioned. The fine substance flowers are deep golden yellow with lighter trumpet. Their exceptionally early blooms are very long lasting both in the garden and when cut. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

Narcissus Twink

A Double Daffodil

Twink. This graceful new semi-full type Daffodil is much superior to the clumsy older doubles. The outer petals are a soft primrose-yellow while the inner petals are alternately primrose-yellow and clear rich orange. Early and free flowering. A "must have" kind. 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00; 100 for \$26.30.

A Lovely White

Edith. A finely formed, pure white flower with a small yellow cup, edged crimson-red. Petals broad and overlapping, forming a perfect circle. One of the very latest varieties, extending the season by at least one week. 50c each; 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$3.80.

White Cyclamen Daffodil

Moonshine. One of the loveliest of the cyclamen-flowered or Triandrus group. Flowers are star-shaped and creamy-white. Usually three of these fine flowers droop gracefully from the top of each stem. Makes a fine addition to flower arrangements. 3 for 95c; 12 for \$3.20; 100 for \$21.00.

Shallow Cup Daffodils

These daintily formed varieties have a flat cup in the center, which is often vividly tinted and frilled, instead of a trumpet. The varieties listed below all make exquisite cut flowers.

Bath's Flame. The deep yellow cup has a broad edge of orange-red and the long petals spring from around it like six individual wavy golden flames. 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.40; 100 for \$15.75.

Mrs. Barclay. Large flowers with flat, broad, overlapping petals of pale primrose, deeply frilled flat yellow cup rimmed with orange. 3 for 85c; 12 for \$2.80; 100 for \$18.40.

Red Cross. Famous for its large, strong, long-lasting flowers of vivid, intense chrome-yellow and deep orange. One of our best new Daffodils. 3 for \$1.20; 12 for \$4.00; 100 for \$26.30.

Diana Kasner. One of the most beautiful Daffodils in our list and highly satisfactory in any garden. A pure white perianth, with a large, fluted, short yellow cup with blood-red frill. Very free flowering; sturdy stems. One of the best of the newer Daffodils. 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 100 for \$13.15.

"Get Acquainted Offer"

We are sure you would like to try some of the finest new Daffodils. Your garden budget won't have to stretch much to enable you to have our newest Daffodil kinds if you take advantage of this offer. One of them, Spring Glory, is illustrated at left.

Ten bulbs individually labeled: 2 Ben Hur, 2 February Gold, 1 Beersheba, 2 Tunis, 1 Mrs. R. O. Backhouse, 2 Spring Glory. Price: \$7.00, postpaid in U. S. **Order Collection No. 2.**

Armstrong Tecolote Ranunculus

Ranunculus are among the gayest, cheeriest and most brightly colored of all flowers, and they do particularly well in California. They are extremely effective when planted in beds and are ideal for cut flowers, for they bloom profusely and keep for several days after cutting. During late February, March and early April some of the most beautiful beds of flowers that can be grown in California are those of well grown Ranunculus. The strain of Ranunculus that we offer will, if properly grown, be almost 100% double. To get the largest proportion of double flowers the tubers should be planted as soon as possible after October 1. Ranunculus should be planted in full sunshine 4 or 5 inches apart.

Note

Plant Ranunculus and Anemones as early as possible in the fall. They will give larger and better flowers if planted early.

Tecolote Giant Mixed

Tecolote Giant Mixed. There are many strains of Ranunculus but we believe that this particular blended strain is as fine as can be obtained. Developed here in Southern California; improved over the years by careful selection; now almost all of the flowers are fully double. The magnificent colors include almost every possible combination of white, yellow, rich shades of orange, rose, salmon, red-scarlet down to the darkest crimson. A bed of them will give an amazing show of color and there is no finer cut flower for the house. We recommend the No. 1 size as offering the best value. No. 2 size bulbs give satisfactory bloom.

Jumbo size: 12 for \$1.90; 25 for \$3.35; 100 for \$10.50.
No. 1 size: 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$1.85; 100 for \$5.90.
No. 2 size: 12 for \$.70; 25 for \$1.25; 100 for \$3.95.

Armstrong Ranunculus

Selected Shades

So that you may arrange special effects in your garden, we have selected six of the finest Ranunculus shades that are available. All are No. 1 bulbs of the famous Tecolote strain, which will insure, if properly grown, almost 100% double blooms of high quality.

All varieties below; 12 for \$1.30; 25 for \$2.30; 100 for \$7.25. Order not less than 12 of one variety.

Pink Shades

New Pink Shades. The varying shades in this new, large, very double strain blend perfectly. You can cut light pinks and deep rosy pinks and get a beautiful effect in your flower arrangement.

The New Clear White

Pure White. No garden is complete without white flowers for cutting. These fine flowers of clear white on long stems will accent the other flower colors in your garden and will be one of your favorite cut flowers.

Orange Shades

Orange. A fine new color strain producing blooms 90% of which will be slightly varying shades of orange. Beds of this spectacular selection drew most compliments from the propagation field visitors.

Red Shades

Red. Nothing but brilliant shades of red will be found in this selected strain from which all other colors have been removed. Practically all double flowered and long stemmed.

Yellow Shades

Yellow. Includes many tones of yellow from pale primrose to brilliant canary-yellow, all in big, full, double flowers on long stems.

California Golden Ranunculus

Improved Gold. An extraordinary giant-flowered golden double and semi-double type from which all other colors have been removed. Probably the finest thing in Ranunculus today. Glorious flowers of dazzling golden yellow.

Fragrant Hyacinths: Queen of the Blues, L'Innocence, Queen of the Pinks.

Grape Hyacinth

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Grape Hyacinth (Muscari)

Muscari Heavenly Blue. The charming little flower spikes burst into bloom early in the spring. Planted in small clumps under the edges of shrubs or trees or scattered here and there irregularly among other bulbs or perennials in part shade, they will remain for many years, the colonies growing larger all the time. The beautiful blue flowers are saturated with a persistent exquisite fragrance universally appealing. Not real hyacinths but something like them in color and form. Plant 3 to 4 inches apart in part shade. 12 for \$1.20; 25 for \$2.10; 100 for \$6.60.

Hybrid Watsonias

Watsonia bulbs should be ordered and planted as soon as possible after you receive this catalog. Usually they are not available after October 15.

Price on all varieties below: 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.60; 100 for \$10.50.

Mrs. Bullard's Hybrids. These new hybrids have become a sensation because of their large blooms which are beautifully marked and shaded in combinations of scarlet, pink, salmon, white and orchid. The bloom spikes which start coming early in the spring are tall, graceful, somewhat similar to a Gladiolus bloom, but they are a more lasting cut flower as they open out over a longer period. The bulbs make practically evergreen permanent clumps which produce blooms freely in any sunny or semi-shaded spot in the garden with little or no attention. This mixture includes many different magnificent colors and combinations of colors.

Mrs. Bullard's White. A new and improved, large, pure white. Makes a magnificent cut flower either by itself or with other colors.

The Dazzler. An Australian hybrid with brilliant orange-red flowers on tall 3-foot stems. Blooms profusely during the spring and summer with scattered flowers during the rest of the year. It makes a wonderful cut flower, and its vivid color will surprise you.

Armstrong Tulips—Hyacinths

Again, after the long war years, we are receiving a plentiful supply of those fine Dutch bulbs. The kinds below are all favorites of prewar years. They are the finest Tulips money can buy. After the Daffodils are gone the Tulips provide a gorgeous display of color in the spring garden. They are most satisfactory when planted in groups or masses of half a dozen to two dozen bulbs since they lose their effectiveness when planted singly or in long narrow lines. Any good soil, enriched with well-rotted manure, will grow Tulips. A plentiful supply of peat moss worked into the soil will make it easier to keep the bed moist and will help to produce larger and finer flowers.

All kinds: 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.10; 100 for \$13.95.

Albino. Pure white, excellent form and substance. A Cottage Tulip with the characteristic long-pointed petals.

Bartigon. Large showy flowers of fiery crimson, with a pure white base. Strong, tall stems.

Bleu Aimabile. One of the most beautiful of the blue Tulips, this variety possesses a lovely clear lilac-blue shade.

Bronze Queen. One of the most famous of Breeder Tulips. Deep bronze on the outside, golden bronze on the inside.

City of Haarlem. The finest and most popular of all the red Tulips is this great handsome fiery cup of cardinal-red. The deep violet-blue base, outlined in white, enhances the beauty of this lovely Tulip.

Clara Butt. This is the outstanding pink Darwin, its perfect long-stemmed flowers of soft salmon-pink possessing an individual charm that has not been surpassed in any other Tulip. See illustration below.

Dido. Rich deep pink with salmon shadings, slightly edged with orange. Exceedingly fragrant. Cottage type.

Dillenburg. Tall, giant flowered kind with glorious orange flowers, shaded salmon. Very showy.

Farncombe Sanders. Fiery rose-scarlet outside and vivid cerise-scarlet inside. Has a white center marked with blue. Very large and very perfect. A Darwin Tulip.

Golden Harvest. Large-flowered Cottage Tulip growing on a tall, strong stem. Color is an unusual lemon-yellow.

Inglescombe Yellow. The handsome flower of this Cottage Type tulip has the cup or globular shape of the Darwin Tulip, and the big flowers are a glossy canary yellow.

Louis XIV. The most stately of all Tulips, with immense flowers of rich dark purple, edged with a broad margin of dull golden bronze. Long one of the most famous of Darwin Tulips.

Mrs. John T. Scheepers. One of the early flowering Cottage Tulips. The long narrow flowers of golden yellow are especially good, making it the favorite yellow Cottage Tulip.

Prince of Orange. In our opinion, one of the finest and most magnificent of the Breeder Tulips. A glistening orange-scarlet color, edged with orange-yellow and shaded with terra cotta.

Princess Elizabeth. One of the largest and finest of pink Darwin Tulips. A bright, sparkling rose-pink shade.

Zwanenburg. The finest of all white Tulips, with enormous, pure white blooms on long, tall stems. A Darwin type.

Farncombe Sanders

Bleu Aimabile

Clara Butt

Dutch Hyacinths

We again welcome the bright colors and delicious fragrance of the Dutch Hyacinths! They certainly have been missed in our gardens during the war years. They have always been one of the most delightful spring flowers, and their delicate beauty and exquisite fragrance lasts for many days in the garden or cut for the house.

Hyacinths, when planted outside, prefer part shade and should be planted 6 inches apart in groups. They do not have to be replanted every year and will give satisfaction for several years to come. The varieties listed below are the finest kinds that we used to enjoy before the war, and we carry only the large sized bulbs that produce enormous spikes and should not be confused with smaller weak bulbs which give inferior results.

All varieties below: 50c each; 3 for \$1.30; 12 for \$4.10; 100 for \$34.00.

City of Haarlem. Golden yellow.

King of the Blues. Dark violet-blue.

La Victoire. Brilliant scarlet.

L'Innocence. Large pure white.

Marconi. Very bright rose.

Queen of the Blues. Light porcelain-blue.

Queen of the Pinks. Beautiful rosy pink. Long spikes.

Hyacinths Make Fine Pot Plants

Hyacinths make fine indoor pot plants. The best way to grow them for this purpose is to plant the bulbs in shallow pots in soil composed of about one-half peat moss and about one-half soil. Bury the entire pot so that the top is just below the surface of the soil, in a cool shaded position outside. After a few weeks when the bulbs have sprouted, take them up and clean off the pots, then they are ready to bring indoors to bloom. Those taken up first will bloom first and a succession of bloom can thereby be obtained.

Hyacinth La Victoire

The Perfect Christmas Gift

We believe there is no finer Christmas gift than the 3 roses we are offering as a collection on the back cover of this catalog. In this collection are three of the finest new roses, every one an All-America Winner.

Shipped in an especially prepared gift box, in time for Christmas, postpaid anywhere in the United States. Order Christmas Gift Collection No. 6, price \$5.25. For California shipment, add 13c sales tax.

Peace, the giant-flowered new yellow.

Two All-America Roses

Each year most of the finest new rose varieties not yet on the market are entered for official test and competition in sixteen official All-America trial gardens scattered from New England to California and from Iowa to the Gulf of Mexico. The ablest rose judges in America score these varieties on a uniform point basis; and at the end of a two-year period the scores are averaged and the top-scoring roses are then named as All-America Roses. They are the best of each year's new varieties. Only one new rose scored high enough to be named an All-America Winner for 1947—the new Rose Rubaiyat. Top winner for 1946 was the giant yellow Peace. The AARS insignia, wherever used, designates All-America winners.

Peace—The 1946 Winner

Peace, 2947. Truly a rose of almost unbelievable beauty and size, this was the All-America Award Winner for 1946. One of its most unusual beauties is the great range of colors through which it passes, from deep yellow buds with the edges picoté cerise to great glorious 5-inch blooms of pearly-white, each petal tinted with dainty pink which deepens as the flower slowly opens. A single bloom will show at various times delicate shades of canary-yellow, pale gold, cream, ivory, cerise, rose and apple-blossom. Although the bloom is unusually large, double and long-lasting, the dainty colorings give it an almost ethereal loveliness.

The plant is just as large and fine as the blooms, carrying the flowers singly on long, straight stems above a mass of vigorous, shining foliage. The bud is ovoid and full rather than long and slender and the color pales to creamy white in hot weather. Peace is a most unusual and unique rose. Plant Pat. No. 591, \$2.50 each.

Rubaiyat—Best for 1947

Rubaiyat, 2964. This is the big new rose of the year because it is the sole winner of the All-America competition for 1947. It has to be a good rose to win that honor. In cool weather Rubaiyat is a delightful soft scarlet color, while in warmer weather it becomes deep pink or cerise. The flowers are many-petalled and the ovoid buds are well shaped, opening up into large cup-shaped blooms which last for a long time. The plant is tremendously vigorous, sending up an astonishing number of stout long stems, each surmounted by one of those big, scarlet (or pink) buds, so that it makes a big show in the garden and provides a large number of fine flowers for cutting. Rubaiyat has a most satisfying fragrance. It is a variety which probably will display its best form and color in the cooler areas, but rose growers everywhere will want to try out this fine variety because the All-America Winner is worthy of a place in every garden. Patent Rights Reserved. \$2.00 each.

The Perfect Rose Gift

How would you like to delight your family or some of your friends next Christmas with three of the world's newest and most beautiful roses? They make an ideal gift because once planted, they will keep providing hundreds of the loveliest fragrant buds and flowers for many years to come. Think of the bouquets you'll be providing, of all the beauty that you'll be giving. We enjoy making this offer because we would like to have someone give it to us. These are three kinds that we suggest for your Christmas Rose Gift:

Rubaiyat. The new All-America Rose for 1947. Everyone will be talking about it, and all of your gardening friends will want to enjoy its big, long-stemmed, rose-red buds and flowers. A tremendous grower and bloomer.

Peace. This giant-flowered yellow rose with the lovely pink tints was the All-America Winner for 1946. Plants were scarce last year, and there will be a big demand for them again this season so it will be a most welcome addition to any rose garden. One of the most unique roses ever grown.

Charlotte Armstrong. The finest rose of them all because of its magnificent long buds, delightfully rich red or cerise color and its big, vigorous, strong plants. The all-time All-America.

Rose Gift Offer No. 6. One plant each of Rubaiyat, Peace and Charlotte Armstrong, ready for shipment December 15, 1946, mailed anywhere in the U. S. for \$5.25, packed in special gift box. Add 13c sales tax in California.

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Rubaiyat, the beautiful new 1947 All-America Winner.

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