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Retail Gladiolus Catalog

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Of all the Summer flowers for cutting the Gladiolus holds first place. It is the easiest plant imaginable to grow, is free from disease and insects, lasts the longest when cut and has the greatest variety of shapes and colors. And in addition most varieties multiply rapidly so that a bulb in three or four years will have increased to many.

Collections. I think ordinarily collections made up by the grower are not satisfactory because you usually have to take some varieties you don't care for in order to get the others at the collection price. So I am going to let you make up your own collections. On all orders for \$2 or over from the varieties marked * you can add 20% of bulbs of your own choice. Thus on a ten dollar order you can add \$2 worth extra. And in addition on all cash orders for \$10 or over I will give a large bulb of Marie Kunderd free if you ask for it.

Special Collections. 20 bulbs in 15 to 20 good varieties of my selection each one labeled for \$2.

My *small bulbs* are about an inch in diameter according to variety but in every case are a good flowering size.

Guarantee. I guarantee satisfaction. Every bulb is guaranteed true to name and if it isn't or doesn't do well in your garden you will confer a favor on me by telling me so. It is lots easier to do business with friends and so I am going to do my best to make you a friend.

All Bulbs Prepaid.

Terms Cash.

I have small quantities of a great many other varieties—Kunderd's and Diener's, new ones and others. I may have just what you want.

A Few Testimonials Selected at Random

Nov. 14, 1923—"I was very much pleased with the gladiolus bulbs bought of you last spring—had never seen such large, lovely blossoms"

Nov. 14, 1923—"The bulbs . . . were satisfactory in every way"

Nov. 1, 1923—"I had very good success with the bulbs I got from you When the bulbs arrived I was so pleased with the looks of them that I got you at least three more orders"

Nov. 2, 1923—"They were fine bulbs and proved very satisfactory."

Nov. 4, 1923—"They were all true to name and bloomed very satisfactorily"

Nov. 3, 1923—"The bulbs purchased of you were very satisfactory. I had some wonderful spikes"

ALBANIA. White, similar to White Wonder, but has more substance. Some like it better. Large bulbs 40 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 40 cents a dozen.

ALTON. Wonderful orange salmon, ruffled. Very, very beautiful. Large bulbs 75 cents each. Bulblets 75 cents a dozen.

ANNA EBERIUS*. Lavender purple with deeper purple throat. Extremely popular. Large bulbs 20 cents each, \$2 per dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 20 cents a dozen, \$1 a hundred.

ANTHONY B. KUNDERD*. Heavily ruffled cream tinted pink. Cerise lines on yellow lip. Exquisitely beautiful. Large bulbs 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

ANTHONY ZONKER*. Dark salmon pink with beautiful velvety red blotch. 7-10 blooms open at once. Very fine. Large bulbs 75 cents each.

BEATRIZ MICHELENA. Reddish orange, lighter throat. Lower petals brownish surrounded by white speckles. Large number of flowers open at once. One of Diener's best. Large bulbs \$4 each.

BORDEAUX. Showy dark American Beauty shade. Large bulbs 10 cents each.

BYRON L. SMITH*. Very beautiful lavender pink. The color of a Cattleya orchid. Many flowers open at once. Large bulbs 20 cents each, \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 20 cents a dozen, \$1 a hundred.

CARMEN SYLVA*. Tall, slender, midseason white. Stands dry weather better than most varieties. Some call it the best all-round white. Large bulbs 30 cents each. Bulblets 30 cents a dozen.

CATHERINE COLEMAN. Large, clear salmon-rose pink with darker pencilling on lower petals. A large number open. A spike is a whole boquer. Will be great commercial variety. Large bulbs \$2 each.

CIRCE. The best mahogany red. Very early, tall and straight. Large bulbs 25 cents each. Small bulbs 15 cents each. Bulblets 25 cents a dozen.

CRIMSON GLOW*. The finest crimson. Has a velvety sheen seen on no other red. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Bulblets 15 cents a dozen.

DIENER'S AMERICAN BEAUTY*. Beautiful American Beauty shade, creamy throat. Large number of flowers open at once. A spike is a whole bouquet. Large bulbs 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen, \$4 a hundred.

DIENER'S HYBRIDS*. From his latest crossings. Almost every color imaginable. Many of them as good as many of the named varieties on the market. To get the most enjoyment out of these you ought to have at least 50 to 100 and I am going to put the price down where you can afford to. You will surely like them. Large bulbs 50 cents a dozen, \$3 a hundred. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets \$1 a thousand.

DR. ELKINS. Sport of Pendleton but larger and stronger. White with purple blotch. Very distinctive and beautiful. Large bulbs \$2 each.

DR. W. VAN FLEET. Wonderfully tall and strong rose-pink, darker on edge of petals, canary yellow throat. One of the earliest. Large bulbs 75 cents each.

EARLY PENDLETON*. Earlier than Pendleton but not so bright color. Some like it very much. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 15 cents a dozen, \$1 a hundred.

E. G. HILL. Salmon rose with cream throat. Has three side shoots. Very pretty. Good grower. Large bulbs 75 cents each.

E. J. SHAYLOR*. Strong growing ruffled deep rose pink. Some bulbs will produce two to four spikes of flowers. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 15 cents a dozen, \$1 a hundred.

ELF. White with lemon yellow lip which fades out nearly white. Many open. Will be fine commercial variety. Large bulbs 40 cents each. Small bulbs 20 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen, \$3.50 a hundred.

ELIZABETH GERBERDING*. Ruffled dark shell pink, ruby and yellow center. Many open. Strong grower. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 10 cents a dozen, \$1 a hundred.

EMILIE ASHE. Very fine ruffled white with purple markings on lower petals. Many open. Two or three branches. Large bulbs 50 cents each.

EVELYN KIRTLAND*. Tall straight, vivid rose pink on the edge, shading to shell pink at the center and with beautiful red blotches on lower petals. Much prettier than it sounds. One of the finest gladioli in the world. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 10 cents a hundred.

F. E. BENNETT. A real wonder gladiolus. Very large, massive vivid orange scarlet. Many open. The finest in the world in this color. Large, young bulbs \$20 each. Small bulbs \$10 each. Bulblets \$2 each, \$20 a dozen.

FLORA*. Very large, clear yellow. Several open. One of the best. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets \$1 a hundred.

FRANK J. SYMMES*. A fine ruffled dark salmon rose. Large bulbs 15 cents each.

GERALDINE FARRAR. Diener's new light blue. The best and clearest blue on the market. Several open at once. Large young bulbs \$60 each. Bulblets \$5 each, \$50 a dozen.

GIANT NYMPH*. Extremely large, light rose pink. One of the very best new varieties. Wonderful propagator. Large bulbs 75 cents each. Bulblets \$1 a dozen, \$6 a hundred.

GOLD*. Many consider this the best yellow gladiolus. Better propagator than Golden Measure. Large bulbs \$1 each. Small bulbs 50 cents each. Bulblets \$1 a dozen.

GOLDEN MEASURE*. About same color as Gold but larger and taller. Not quite so pretty shape. Large bulbs 35 cents each, \$3.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

GRETCHEN ZANG*. Soft melting shade of pink. Very pretty. Easy grower and propagator. Large bulbs 7 cents each, 75 cents a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 40 cents a hundred.

HELEN FRANKLIN*. Beautiful early white with purple markings. Strong grower. Fine florist's flower. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a hundred.

HERADA*. A pure clear mauve. The only gladiolus of just this color. A good one. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a hundred.

HENRY FORD. Diener's new purple. A clear purple, a shade darker than the darkest part of Anna Eberius. Tall, straight grower. Many open. The finest in this color. Large bulbs \$45 each. Bulblets \$1 each, \$10 a dozen.

HOLLYHOCK. Very tall, strong grower. Large round flowers like a hollyhock. White with crimson center. Very stunning. Large bulbs \$1 each. Bulblets \$1 a dozen.

INDIAN MAID*. Similar to Peach Rose but not so bright colors. Champe says it is the best cut flower variety Kunderd has put out in years. Large bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 25 cents a dozen.

INDIAN SUMMER. Large, massive, light lavender. Late flowering. Is a seed bearing hybrid and useful to the breeder. Large bulbs \$5 each. Small bulbs \$3 each. Bulblets 50 cents each.

J. A. CARBONE. Wonderful bright orange salmon, light yellow throat, large, massive flowers. Large young bulbs \$20 each. Bulblets \$2 each, \$20 a dozen.

JACK LONDON*. Light salmon, flame orange stripes. Several open, very popular. Large bulbs 20 cents each, \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets \$1.50 a hundred.

JENNY LIND*. Very beautiful, clear light salmon with cream throat. One of the sweetest gladioli grown. You can't help but love it. Large bulbs 60 cents each.

JOHN T. PIRIE. Mahogany brown with yellow bordered brown throat. Peculiar color but very attractive. Should be in every collection. Large bulbs \$1.50 each.

JOFFRE*. Good red, similar to War but earlier. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen.

LE MARECHAL FOCH*. Very large, light pink, similar to America but much larger and early. Petals like silk flags. Good florist's variety. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a hundred.

LILY WHITE*. A good, early, pure white commercial variety. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 40 cents a hundred.

LONDON SMOKE. Smoky pink. Odd but attractive. Should be in every collection. Large bulbs 75 cents each.

LOUISE. A very popular lavender with deep wine markings. A large, wonderful flower but not many open at once. Large bulbs 25 cents each.

MADAME MOUNET SULLY. White with fiery red blotch. Very beautiful. Large bulbs 30 cents each.

MAJESTIC. Large orange salmon, white markings on lower petals. Beautiful and distinct. Large bulbs 25 cents each.

MARIE KUNDERD*. The very finest white gladiolus in the world and very early. If you want to see how beautiful a white gladiolus can be get this one. Life is too short to wait for this to get cheap. Get it now. Large bulbs, extra size, \$2 each. Small ones \$1. Bulblets 25 cents each, \$18 per hundred.

MARSHAL FOCH*. Entirely distinct from Le Marechal Foch. Very beautiful salmon pink, strong grower. One of the very finest. Large bulbs 25 cents each, \$2.50 a dozen. Bulblets 35 cents a dozen.

MARY FENNELL*. Deep lilac or lavender, primrose throat. Fine florist's flower. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.25 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 10 cents a dozen, 50 cents a hundred.

MARY STEARNS BURKE. Canary yellow, tinted apricot. An autumn color. Large bulbs 35 cents each.

MISS SPOKANE*. Orange salmon, deeper throat. Very pretty. Strong grower and good propagator. Large bulbs 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

MONA LISA*. Very pale, soft lavender pink. Many open. Large bulbs 25 cents each.

MR. MARK*. Tall, straight, dark blue. About the best in this color. Large bulbs 15 cents each, \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a hundred.

MRS. BOTHIN*. A wonderful ruffled flesh salmon pink with flame scarlet blotch. One of the real honest-to-goodness gladioli. Extremely strong grower. 25 ~~35~~ cents each. ~~\$3.50~~ ^{2.50} a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 30 cents a dozen, \$2 a hundred. ^{2.50}

MRS. DR. NORTON*. Beautiful tall, cream and pink. Everyone loves this one. Large bulbs 20 cents each, \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a hundred.

MRS. F. C. PETERS*. Wonderful lavender pink. Tall, strong grower. Many open. The finest in this color. Large bulbs 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets \$1 a dozen.

MRS. FRANK PENDLETON*. Shell pink with large crimson blotch. An old favorite, very showy. Large bulbs 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 20 cents a hundred.

MRS. JOHN R. WALSH*. Large ruffled flesh pink with very large flame red blotch. Extremely long spike. Seedling of Pendleton but far more beautiful. Should be in every collection. Large bulbs 75 cents each. Bulblets 75 cents a dozen.

MRS. RICHARD LOHRMAN. A large, exquisitely beautiful, tinted pink with creamy yellow throat. Stems sometimes kink but worth the price just the same. Large bulbs \$1.50 each.

MRS. WATT*. Clear dark wine red. Large bulbs 10 cents each. \$1 a dozen.

MRS. W. E. FRYER*. Short, bright scarlet. Good for massing in a bed. Large bulbs, 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen.

MRS. WILLARD RICHARDSON*. Very fine dark red. Strong grower. Large bulbs, 20 cents each. Small bulbs 10 cents each.

NECTARINE. Orange red, yellow and red center. New. Large bulbs, 40 cents each.

ORANGE GLORY*. Wonderful large orange. Light center. Very strong grower. One bulb will often produce 3 to 6 spikes of flowers and new bulbs. Large bulbs, 15 cents each. \$1.50 a dozen. Bulblets, 15 cents a dozen.

ORANGE FLAME. Wonderful, massive vermilion scarlet, tinged with orange. Heavily ruffled. Several open. A cracker-jack. Large bulbs, \$2.50 each.

PANAMA*. Large clear rich rose pink; very pretty. 10 cents each; \$1 a dozen.

PEACE*. Very tall, strong, late, white with purple lines in throat. The best late white. Large bulbs, 10 cents each. \$1 per dozen. Small bulbs, half price.

PEACH ROSE*. Tall, glistening, deep reddish rose pink. Very beautiful, but slow propagator. Large bulbs, 60 cents each.

PINK LILY*. Very pretty, ruffled deep rose pink. Large bulbs, 35 cents each.

PINK WONDER*. Very large, clear light rose pink. Rose lines in Throat. Some consider this one of the very best pinks in the world. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Bulblets, 50 cents a dozen.

POLA NEGRI. Apricot with yellow lip. Large bulbs \$1 each.

PRINCE OF WALES*. Very early; beautiful clear salmon with slight lines in throat. One of the very best. If you grow only one dozen bulbs, you want to include this one. Large bulbs, 10c each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets, 15 cents a hundred.

PURPLE GLORY*. The giant of the GLORY race. Very tall, large plant with very massive, deep, velvety maroon flowers with almost black blotches. One of the real grand ones. 50 cents each. Small bulbs, 25 cents. Bulblets, 50 cents a dozen.

RED FIRE*. Princess shaped flowers that stand apart. Very large and the reddest red in the market. Very fine. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

REV. EWBANK* About the best light blue at a reasonable price. Fine grower. Large bulbs 20 cents each. \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

RICHARD DIENER. Live rose salmon with creamy yellow center, considered the finest colored pink gladiolus. Many open at once. Very, very beautiful. Large bulbs, \$4 each. Bulblets, 35 cents each.

ROBT. B. KUNDERD*. A wonderful dazzling orange vermillion. The very finest thing in just this color. Large bulbs 75 cents each. Bulblets, \$1 a dozen.

ROSE ASH*. Ashes of roses. A new pastel color. Very pretty. Strong grower. Large bulbs, 25 cents each. Small bulbs, half price. Bulblets 25 cents a dozen.

ROSE GLORY. Large ruffled rose pink, lighter in center. Very good. Large bulbs 25 cents each.

SCARLANO*. Dazzling ruffled orange scarlet with almost black feathering Fine spike. Large bulbs, 20 cents each, \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets, 20 cents a dozen.

SCHWABEN*. Light yellow, brownish red blotch. Very strong upright grower. A good one. Till recently the best yellow. Large bulbs, 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price.

SHEILA*. Tall, straight, large light salmon, wide open. In some ways an improvement on Prince of Wales. Large bulbs 25 cents each, bulblets 25 cents a dozen.

SUPERBA. Very large salmon rose tinted scarlet. A new shade. A spike is a whole bouquet. Large bulbs, 75 cents each.

SWEET LAVENDER*. Extremely early large light lavender with darker blotch. Several open. The earliest large gladiolus. Very fine. Will be great commercial variety. Large bulbs, 50 cents each.

TARO. Reddish garnet. Lighter than Purple Glory. Large spike; fine. Large bulbs, 75 cents each.

YELLOW GLORY. Ruffled yellow with purplish pink blotches. Smaller than the other Glories. Large bulbs, \$2 each. Bulblets 20 cents each

W. E. FRYER. Large, very tall, deep violet rose; fine and distinctive. Large bulbs, 50 cents each.

WHITE WONDER*. Very large mid-season white. Many consider it the best white. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

W. H. PHIPPS. A Real wonder glad. Beautiful flesh pink, overlaid with light rose salmon. About 22 flowers to a spike and nearly all open at once. Think of it. Large bulbs \$25 each. Bulblets \$2 each; \$20 a dozen.

WILBRINK*. Extremely early flesh pink, cream blotch. Good forcer in the greenhouse and a money maker for florists. Large bulbs, 10 cents each, \$1 a dozen. Small bulbs half price.

UHLAN CHIEF. Very vivid vermillion scarlet with dark feathering. Similar to Scarlano but a little darker. A dandy. Large bulbs. 50 cents each.

TWILIGHT. Very beautiful creamy buff with yellow and pink throat. Large bulbs, 50 cents each.

WM. KENT. Another real wonder glad. Creamy shell pink with golden ochre center. An exquisite color and 11 to 15 flowers open at once. A good propagator. I don't know a fault with this variety. Large bulbs, \$4 each. Small bulbs, \$2 each. Bulblets 50 cents each.

CRINKLES*. Deep peach blossom pink; very heavily ruffled. Several flowers open at once. A slow propagator, so will not be cheap for years. Better get it now. Large bulbs, \$1 each. Bulblets \$1 a dozen.

Primulinus Varieties

These are entirely different from the other varieties. Most of them are smaller and the upper petals are hooded. The stems are slender, making the whole flower more delicate and dainty than the other species. They are great propagators; a bulb usually giving from two to four spikes and forming that number of new bulbs. You ought to try a few at least. A row in the garden makes a wonderful show for a long time.

ALICE TIPLADY*. Large burnt orange; the most popular orange glad. Large bulbs, 15 cents each; \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price.

ALMA GLUCK. Reddish Salmon. Good. Large bulbs, 50 cents each.

ALTAIR*. Very early tall salmon saffron; distinctive color. Large bulbs 15 cents each; \$1.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 15 cents a dozen; \$1 a hundred.

BUTTERBOY*. Large, very tall, strong growing, clear yellow; showy. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets, 50 cents a dozen.

DOROTHY WHEELER*. Very pretty, dainty rose pink, with lighter throat. Large bulbs, 25 cents each; \$2.50 a dozen. Small bulbs, half price. Bulblets, 25 cents a dozen.

GOLD DROP. Large light yellow with red lines in lower petals. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Bulblets 50 cents a dozen.

JEWELL*. Clear light salmon with golden throat; very tall and early; wide open flowers; upper petals are not hooded. Will make fine commercial variety. Large bulbs, 35 cents each; \$3 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets, 35 cents a dozen; \$1.50 a hundred.

JUNO*. Clearer orange color than Alice Tiplady; more substance but not so large. Large bulbs, 35 cents each.

MAIDEN'S BLUSH. Beautiful delicate pink; very early. Large bulbs, 15 cents each.

MING TOY*. Tall, large, beautiful buff; yellow center; very fine. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Bulblets, 50 cents a dozen.

MYRA*. Open deep salmon over yellow ground. Very good. Large bulbs, 20 cents each; \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs, half price. Bulblets, 25 cents a dozen; \$1.25 a hundred.

GOLDEN GLEAM*. Similar in habit to Alice Tiplady but deep golden yellow; handsome. Large bulbs, 25 cents each; \$2.50 a dozen. Small bulbs half price. Bulblets 25 cents a dozen.

PRIMUNELLA*. Very beautiful ruffled orange yellow; looks like a butterfly. One of the best. Large bulbs, 35 cents each; \$3.50 a dozen. Small bulbs, half price. Bulblets 35 cents a dozen.

ROSALIA*. Orange with lower petals yellow; pencilled darker; small but very beautiful. Large bulbs, 50 cents each. Small bulbs 25 cents each. Bulblets, 50 cents a dozen.

SALMON BEAUTY*. Very large; open salmon with yellow throat; one of the very best. Large bulbs, 20 cents each. \$2 a dozen. Small bulbs, half price. Bulblets 20 cents a dozen.

SALMON BUFF*. The name describes it; very fine prim. Large bulbs, 35 cents each. Small bulbs, 20 cents each. Bulblets 35 cents a dozen.

SHELL PINK. Tall, large light rose pink with mottled white throat; very beautiful. Large bulbs, 75 cents each.

SCARLET TREASURE*. One of Mrs. Austin's new "Twin Primis." A light scarlet; early. Large bulbs, 50 cents each.

YELLOW TREASURE*. The other "Twin." Good very early yellow; pliable spike making it good for florists' use. Large bulbs 50 cents each.

PRIMULINUS MIXTURE*. Very fine collection made up mostly of Tracy's forcing strain and Kunderd's Orchid mixture. Dainty and beautiful. You ought to try at least a dozen. Large bulbs, 10 cents each; \$1 a dozen; \$5 a hundred. Small bulbs half price.

Culture of Gladioli

Gladioli will grow in any kind of soil from the lightest sand to the heaviest clay, provided they have fertility and moisture. Soil should be fairly rich but do not let any fresh manure or fertilizer touch the bulbs. Plant in rows two feet apart and 6-8 inches in the row. Plant 3 to 6 inches deep. At six inches deep the plants will stand up straight and will need no support but will not produce so many bulblets. Do not plant in shade or near trees or shrubbery the roots of which would dry out the soil. In a dry year you should water the plants, especially from the time they come in bloom and afterward to develop the bulb for the next year. But give a good soaking once a week and then scratch over the ground instead of sprinkling a little every day.

Cut the blooms when the first bloom is open and all the buds will open up in the house, but leave at least 4 or 5 leaves to develop the bulbs.

Before freezing weather dig the bulbs. Cut the tops close to the bulb and cure them in the sun or under cover for two weeks or so and then the bulblets can be taken off and both bulbs and bulblets stored in a cool place—about 40 degrees—over winter.

In the spring, soon after the frost is out of the ground, plant the bulblets thickly in trenches 2 inches deep after soaking them 24 hours in warm water. Not all will grow but some will bloom the first year and nearly all will the second year. Plant the large bulbs later, 2 or 3 weeks before the last hard freeze.

If there is anything more you want to know don't hesitate to write me.