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The Modern GLADIOLUS

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The Modern Gladiolus

The development of this most popular summer flower has been so rapid during the past ten or fifteen years that practically all of the old varieties have been discarded and in their place we have a most astonishing collection of new seedlings and hybrids, brilliant in color, enormous in size as compared with the old garden sorts, and especially adapted to garden and house decorations on account of the lasting quality of the blooms.

Lovers of beautiful flowers will find that a collection of choice named varieties will give a great deal of pleasure for a small outlay, as the bulbs will retain their vitality five to eight years.

A **young bulb** of medium size is most valuable and old worn out bulbs of any size are practically worthless.

Any time from April 20th to June 15th, plant the bulbs right side up in single or double rows in deep furrows, leaving three inches space between the bulbs.

Do not plant in a shady location and do not allow fresh stable manure in contact with the bulbs. A sandy loam is ideal. Plant deep. Three to four inches of soil over the bulbs will keep them cool and moist and help to hold the stalks erect without the use of stakes.

If the spike is wanted for market or indoor use cut it off eight or ten inches from the ground, the morning after the first bud opens.

From the first to the middle of October in this locality is a good time to dig the bulbs, cutting off the old stalk and after drying out pull off the old corm with the roots and store in shallow boxes. If kept too warm or too damp they sprout in storage. 40° to 45° is best.

List of Varieties

AMERICA—Very delicate lavender pink, a great favorite. Large wide open flowers set close on a long straight spike.

Each 7c Doz. 70c 100, \$5.00

ATTRACTION (Childs)—Cardinal red with white center, a striking combination.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

BARON JOS. HULOT (Lemoine)—Velvety purple, medium size, white lines on lower petals.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

BLUE JAY (Cowee)—Lobelia blue, lemon yellow throat with violet center, the largest blue. Spikes often crooked.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50 100, \$18.00

CHARLEMAGNE—Sunrise red, cream blotch, very large showy blooms on tall spikes and many open at one time.

Each 30c Doz. \$3.00

CRYSTAL WHITE (Baer)—Blooms are medium size with a small mark of Tyrian rose in the throat. Spike tall and straight.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

CRIMSON GLOW (Betscher) — Beautiful crimson bloom of immense size, velvety center, perfect form, very vigorous and early. First prize, Boston 1920.

Each \$1.00 Doz. \$10.00 100, \$70.00

CZAR PETER—Fine dark red, new. Medium size flowers, tall spike.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

DAWN (Tracy)—Beautiful salmon carmine, large wide open blooms on a straight spike.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

DOMINION (Cowee)—(Syn Red Emperor)—Very large beautiful crimson, the best dark red but not very prolific.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50 100, \$15.00

EMPRESS OF INDIA—Plum violet, a rich dark color, buds almost black, medium.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

EUROPA—Pure white, very fine, nearly all open at once, medium.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

EVELYN KIRTLAND (Mrs. Austin)—Lustrous rose pink with delicate shading of lighter pink. Very tall graceful spike, petals slightly reflexed, many open at once.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

GEORGE PAUL (Syn. Faust, Harvard)—Harvard crimson, very large beautiful blooms, slender spike.

Each 12c Doz. \$1.20 100, \$9.00

GIANT WHITE (K)—An elegant white of good size and substance, with slight marking in the throat.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50

GOLDEN KING (Black)—Fine lemon yellow with blood red blotch, tall, vigorous.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

GLORY OF HOLLAND—White, with delicate pink tint, medium tall, straight, a good commercial white.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$5.00

GRETCHEN ZANG (Mrs. Austin)—Exquisite rose pink blending into a deep salmon blotch in lower petals. A prize winner and especially fine for all decorative purposes. Tall, late.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

HALLEY—A lovely salmon pink, early, very attractive, an excellent market variety, very prolific, often two or three spikes from one bulb.

Each 7c Doz. 70c 100, \$5.00

HERADA (Mrs. Austin)—Pure mauve, very large wide open flowers on tall straight spikes, very handsome, a strong healthy variety.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$15.00

IDA VAN (Kunderd)—Brilliant cardinal red with a blotch of deeper red. Medium.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$6.00

KING ARTHUR (Kunderd)—Ivory white with a delicate crimson line in lower petals. Medium height, early.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

LIEBESFEUER—The most beautiful scarlet, large flowers and many open at once. Very desirable. First prize, Boston 1920.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

L'IMMACULEE—Pure white, medium size.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

LOVELINESS—Creamy white with a pale salmon tint, amber white throat, tall, fine form, very attractive, many open.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

MARY FENNELL (Kunderd) — Beautiful mauve, lower petals primrose yellow suffused mauve.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

MISS HELEN FRANKLIN (Kunderd)—A new ruffled variety, pure white with slight violet marking in the throat. Tall, early, and very productive, many flowers open at once, a very promising commercial variety, winner of first prize for ruffled seedling New York 1917 and Silver Medal at Boston 1918.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50 100, \$15.00

MRS. DR. NORTON (Kunderd)—White, shading to soft pink at edge of petals, lower petals blotched sulphur yellow. Large flowers on a tall straight spike, perfect form. A very choice and beautiful novelty.

Each \$1.50 Doz. \$15.00

MRS. FREDERICK C. PETERS (Fischer)—A valuable seedling described by its originator as a beautiful shade of rose violet or lilac, with a crimson blotch on lower segment. Dark green foliage, strong spikes and many flowers open at one time. Late.

Each \$1.00 Doz. \$10.00

MRS. FRANCIS KING—Vermilion red, a well known and popular variety.

Each 7c Doz. 70c 100, \$5.00

MRS. FRANK PENDLETON (Kunderd)—Beautiful rose pink, large ox-blood red blotch on lower petals. Large blooms well placed on a tall spike, extra fine for forcing, for market or for house decorations. First prize Boston 1920.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

MRS. G. W. MOULTON (Kunderd)—A new variety of great merit, tall and strong with an occasional double flower. According to the color chart the shade is lilac-purple and it would usually be classed as a rich dark red or magenta.

Each 75c Doz. \$7.50

MRS. WATT—Clear crimson-red, a striking American beauty color, medium blooms, spike tall and straight.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

MYRTLE (Kunderd)—The most delicate rose pink shading lighter to a creamy throat, medium size, a great favorite.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

MR. MARK—Fine blue shading to light blue in the center.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00

NIAGARA (Banning)—Greatly admired for its immense creamy white blooms, often splashed with crimson carmine. Tall, vigorous.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

PANAMA (Banning)—A grand pink variety, winner of many prizes. Blooms very large, spike tall and strong.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

PEACE (Groff)—The best late white, tall and vigorous. Sometimes suffused violet rose.

Each 7c Doz. 70c 100, \$6.00

PINK PERFECTION—The finest rose pink, a wonderfully clear and beautiful shade, flowers extra large and many open. Spikes are likely to be crooked if weather is hot. First prize Boston 1920.

Each 12c Doz. \$1.20 100, \$9.00

PRINCE OF WALES—A rare and delicate apricot shade, yellow center. Early.

Each 20c Doz. \$2.00 100, \$14.00

RAJAH (Kunderd)—A beautiful dark red suffused with a darker shade, immense blooms on a tall spike. Awarded silver medal by the Mass. Horticultural Society 1911.

Each 50c Doz. \$5.00

ROUGE TORCH—Amber white with a brilliant blotch of deep carmine red. A fine combination.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$8.00

ROSEA SUPERBA—Bright pink, many open at one time, new.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

SCARSDALE (Cowee) — Rosy magenta, splashed with a deeper shade. Usually classed as a mauve.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$6.00

SCHWABEN—Amber yellow, very large blooms with small red mark in throat. Foliage broad, spike tall and erect.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

TAVISTOCK (Gage)—Clear scarlet with a white blotch, extra large blooms. A very attractive red.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00

WAR—Beautiful clear crimson, tall, late, vigorous, a grand red.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

WHITE GIANT—A very large pure white, petals long and narrow, and flower when fully open resembles a six pointed star.

Each 50c Doz. \$5.00

WILBRINK—A sport of Halley, and identical in growth habit and markings, but color is pale pink.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

YELLOW HAMMER—A valuable addition to our list of yellows, a strong and vigorous grower, tall straight spikes and large beautiful yellow flowers.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

ZAIDEE—White, slightly flushed pink, cream white throat. Tall and straight.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

Primulinus Hybrids

Some years ago there was discovered in South Africa a pure lemon yellow gladiolus which was named **Primulinus**. From the seedlings of this wild species a new and valuable strain has been developed, remarkable for its beautiful pastel shades of orange, red and yellow. The flowers are small but graceful, the plants vigorous and as a rule very prolific.

PENELOPE—Creamy white, early.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$5.00

MAY TOY—Shades of orange and yellow. Tall slender spikes, very decorative.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$5.00

HELEN PEARL—Pink and cream white.

Each 8c Doz. 80c 100, \$5.00

AMY BELLE (Spencer)—Pure yellow of a brighter shade than the original **Primulinus**. Blooms hooded and slightly ruffled, spikes short and slender. Awarded first prize for best yellow **Primulinus** seedling at Boston, 1918-1920.

Each \$1.00 Doz. \$10.00

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS—Yellow shades.

Doz. 60c 100, \$4.00

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS—All colors.

Doz. 50c 100, \$3.50

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS—Choice seedlings, best selected mixture, contains some worthy of a name, extra large blooms and new and rare shades. A wonderful collection.

Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

Mixtures

FLORIST MIXTURE—Seedlings in a great variety of colors and stray bulbs of named varieties.

Doz. 40c 100, \$2.50

BROOKLAND SPECIAL MIXTURE—We have a large assortment of beautiful seedlings from our finest sorts but not quite good enough to grow under name or number, and to these we have added the entire stock of several good named varieties which we do not care to list.

Doz. 75c 100, \$5.00

WHITE SURPRISE MIXTURE—A collection of choice white seedlings and named varieties, the best white mixture ever offered.

Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

Collections

For the accommodation of those who do not care to make their own selections I have arranged several combinations at prices slightly less than the catalog values.

Please order by number. Price includes **parcel post** to any point east of Mississippi river.

No. 1—Pink Perfection, Peace, Golden King, Scarsdale, War—five bulbs—50c.

No. 2—Prize Dollar Collection. One bulb each of **Panama, Giant White, Schwaben, Dominion, Charlemagne—five grand varieties—all prize winners—\$1.00.**

No. 3—Big Value Dollar Collection—One bulb of each of these ten varieties: **Niagara, cream; Ida Van, bright red; Geo. Paul, crimson; King Arthur, white; Czar Peter, red; Mrs. F. Pendleton, pink; Baron Hulot, purple; Loveliness, cream; Rosea Superba, pink; Yellow Hammer—Ten Bulbs—\$1.00.**

No. 4—Amateur Collection—50 bulbs, 10 named varieties—\$1.50.

No. 5—Novelty Collection—Eight new and beautiful shades are represented in this list: **Mrs. Watt, crimson-red; Prince of Wales, apricot; Mr. Mark, blue; Wilbrink, pink; Mary Fennell, mauve; Myrtle, rose pink; Attraction, cardinal; Herada, mauve—eight bulbs—\$1.00.**

Peonies

Plants can be shipped in the autumn or early spring before growth starts.

AVALANCHE—Ivory white, sometimes with carmine markings; popular.

COURONNE D'OR—Pure white, late.

FELIX CROUSSE—Very fine dark red, late.

MME. de VERNEVILLE—White with pale pink center.

VENUS—Delicate shell pink, choice.

Prices \$1.00 each Five for \$4.00

Suggestions

Twenty-five bulbs of one variety will be billed at the 100 rate. Prices quoted on bulbs include parcel post charges on twenty-four or less of one variety to any point east of Mississippi river. For all points beyond add 10 cts. per dozen. Twenty-five or more at 100 price will be sent express collect.

If extra large bulbs are wanted they will be shipped express collect at list price.

Shipments can be made at any time and are always at the risk of the customer. We prefer to ship in March and April to avoid risk of freezing.

Remittances should be sent with all orders, and may be in the form of certified checks, Post Office or Express Money Orders. Postage stamps accepted for small amounts.

The American Gladiolus Society

Most of the leading commercial growers in the United States and many amateurs are included in its membership. The Society holds its annual meeting and exhibition in August.

President, H. E. Meader; Vice-Pres., C. R. Hinkle; Treasurer, Madison Cooper.

Address application for membership to the Secretary, Prof. A. C. Beal, Ithaca, N. Y.

Garden Iris

One of the best of the popular hardy perennials, blooming in May, useful for cut flowers and extensively used in landscape and garden planting. Plant in early spring or fall in a dry sunny location.

PALLIDA—Clear lavender, falls darker lavender, very tall and broad foliage. One of the best.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

FLORENTINA ALBA—Early white.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

KHARPOT—Purple, very large and beautiful blooms.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

QUEEN OF MAY—Lilac shading pink and white.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

FLAVESCENS—Light yellow.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$6.00

MADAME CHEREAU—White, edges marked with blue.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

MRS. H. DARWIN—Pure white, slightly marked violet at base of petals. Free flowering, one of the best.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50 100, \$10.00

RHEIN NIXE—Standards pure white, falls violet blue with white edge. Very handsome.

Each 50c Doz. \$5.00

HONORABILIS—Yellow, medium size, free flowering.

Each 10c Doz. \$1.00 100, \$7.00

One each of above nine varieties, strong divisions, by express—\$1.50.

Hardy Phlox

For late summer and fall flowers the hardy phloxes are enjoying a well deserved popularity. They need plenty of moisture and do well in partial shade. Plant in spring or fall, in rich garden loam.

All phlox plants shipped by express.

ANTONIN MERCE—Ground color white, overlaid with pale lilac. Very large flowers. Medium height.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

MME. PAPE-CARPENTIER—Large pure white flowers, beautiful trusses, extra.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

FLOATING BRIDGE—A very handsome pink. 30 inches.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

RICHARD WALLACE—Pure white, violet red center. 32 inches.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

STELLA'S CHOICE—Very tall, pure white. Late.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

WANADIS—Pale blue ground shaded white, with red eye. Very large trusses, medium height. One of the best.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50

ELIZABETH CAMPBELL—The most beautiful salmon pink, large trusses, very popular.

Each 25c Doz. \$2.50

LE FEU DE MONDE—Bright crimson, tall, late.

Each 15c Doz. \$1.50

EIGHT STRONG PLANTS, one each of above list, sent express collect for **\$1.00**.

Prizes

1918 Mass. Horticultural Society

Silver medal and class prizes.

1919 Mass. Horticultural Society

Silver medal and class prizes; three seedling awards and cultural certificate.

1920 American Gladiolus Society

Two class prizes.

Mass. Horticultural Society

Best display, first prize

Best Vase Red, first prize

Best vase crimson, first prize

Best vase pink, first prize

Best vase Lem. Hy., first prize

Mass. Gladiolus Society

Six class prizes.

The New England Gladiolus Society

Over seven hundred dollars in cash prizes and a number of valuable cups, vases, etc., will be awarded at the next exhibition in conjunction with the Mass. Horticultural Society, August 13-14, 1921.

All New England growers, both amateur and professional, are cordially invited to join the Society and help make this the largest exhibit of Gladioli ever shown in this country.

President, C. F. Fairbanks; 1st Vice-Pres., S. E. Spencer; 2nd Vice-Pres., John Zeestraten; Treasurer, C. F. Brown; Secretary, Robert R. Walker, Mansfield, Mass.

For prize schedules and membership blanks write to the Secretary.