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THE GARDEN GLADIOLUS

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THE CATALOG

In preparing this catalog for 1921 we have made the arrangement by groups, according to predominating shade or color, for the purpose of making selection easier.

The descriptions have all been revised, with special attention to the color classification, but, as it is impossible to tell where cream becomes buff, or where buff merges into yellow, or red into crimson, so this classification is, at best, only approximate.

With this brief explanation we place the list in your hands.

THE GARDEN

In planning your gladiolus garden, be sure to choose a spot that is exposed to full sunshine. The soil must be good, and should be ploughed or spaded deep, and well prepared.

PLANTING. Bulbs or (if you prefer) corms may be planted from May 1 to June 20, and if planted even later will bloom in early September. They should be planted six inches deep, though not covered more than three inches at first. Deep planting helps to keep the plants erect, and, in a dry season, the roots will be down where the moisture is.

CULTIVATION. Clean cultivation will usually make watering unnecessary, but if you water, do it thoroughly, not merely wetting the top of the ground. Care in cultivation will be repaid in the size and beauty of the bloom.

THE FLOWERING SEASON. From planting to flowering takes from 60 to 100 days, according to the variety, and you can further prolong the season by making two or more plantings of each variety at intervals of about two weeks,

For cut-flowers use a sharp knife, leaving four or five leaves on the plant for the maturing of the bulb. Remove all faded flowers each day, trim a little off the stem, and give fresh water, and your cut-flowers will last in good condition a week or longer.

DIGGING AND STORING. When the leaves have turned yellow, or when frost has browned them, the bulbs are ready to dig. The tops should be cut off close to the bulbs, which, after drying, should be stored in shallow boxes, or in paper bags, where they will be safe from frost and dampness. The old dried-up bulb and the bulblets can be removed at any time after the bulbs are "cured"—within two or three weeks of digging.

There are no mysteries connected with gladiolus growing, and there are no very serious diseases to contend with (if you start with healthy stock), so that even a beginner can be a successful grower, and, when once successful, is sure to become an enthusiast.

SHADES OF PINK

	Doz.
America (Banning)	.50
Soft pink, lightly tinted lavender, with small Tyrian rose blotch. Midseason.	
Dawn (Tracy)	1.00
Coral pink, with a lighter throat stained claret. Blooms of good size, on a stem of medium height. Early midseason.	
Evelyn Kirtland (Austin)	2.00
A beautiful shade of rose, fading to shell pink, with brilliant scarlet at the throat. Large blooms on a tall graceful stem. Midseason.	
Fanny H. Beals (Alexander)	2 00
Soft salmon pink, with fine white medial lines; the throat lightly stippled red. Tall and sturdy, with large blooms. Midseason.	
Gretchen Zang (Austin)	1.50
Shell pink, with slightly deeper edges, and a scarlet throat. The blooms are large, and the spike long and erect. Late midseason.	
Halley (Velthuys)	.50
Salmon pink, with lemon yellow throat brushed Tyrian rose. Large flowers, blooming early	
Independence (Woodruff)	.40
Rich begonia pink, with deep red throat. Flowers of medium size, blooming late.	
Mrs. Keur (Velthuys)each	2.00
Peach-blossom pink, beautifully shaded, with crimson and yellow throat. Very large flowers on a stem of medium height. Midseason.	
Mrs. Norton (Kunderd)	10.00
Shell-pink, suffused La France pink at the edges, with sulphur throat marked Tyrian rose. Large blooms on a perfect spike.	
Mrs. Frank Pendleton (Kunderd)	.85
Beautiful rose pink, with striking ox-blood throat. Flowers large and of excellent form, on a tall erect stem. Early.	
Myrtle (Kunderd)	1.25
Dainty arbutus pink, shading lighter, blending with cream at the throat. Blooms of good form and size, on slender erect stem. Early.	
Panama (Banning)	.75
Brilliant Hermosa pink, with deeper lines at the throat. Large wide-open wax-like flowers on a tall spike. Midseason.	
Pink Perfection (Hopman)	1.00
La France pink, with slightly deeper mottling. A large beautiful flower, but with stems inclined to come crooked. Early midseason.	
Wild Rose (Childs)	1.00
Soft rose pencilled with Tyrian rose in the throat. Flowers of finest form, well placed on an erect stem. Fairly early.	

WHITE AND CREAM

	Doz.
Chicago White (Kunderd)	.40
White, with narrow lavender stripes on lower petals. Fair-sized blooms. Very early.	
Europa (Pfitzer)	1.50
Snow white, with no throat markings. The flowers are large and well open, on a strong stem. Blooms midseason.	
Glory of Holland (Velthuys)	.50
Pure white, with faintest Tyrian rose markings on a creamy throat. Large flowers of excellent form on good stems. Midseason.	
Hohenstaufen (Pfitzer)	.85
Ivory white lightly suffused solferino, with a large Indian red blotch on ground of primrose. Large blooms on a long spike. Midseason.	
Lily Lehman (Alkemade)	1.00
Ivory white, often with a flush of pink. Lily-like blooms on graceful stems. Early.	
L'Immaculee (Velthuys)	1.00
Pure white. Flowers of medium size on a long spike, several open at a time. Early.	
Meadowvale (Cowee)	.50
Pure white, with a touch of vivid crimson at the throat. An excellent early white.	
Miss Helen Franklin (Kunderd)	2.50
Pure white, with narrow violet throat markings. An early-flowering ruffled variety of large size with perfect spike.	
Peace (Groff)	.75
Snow white, with a spot of bright violet at the throat. Large flowers of excellent form, blooming late midseason.	
Rouge Torch (Groff)	.85
Amber white lightly suffused rose, with torch-like tongues of red at the throat. Of tall erect habit; large-flowered. Midseason.	

BUFF AND PRIMROSE

Glory (Kunderd)	1.00
Creamy buff, edges suffused pink, with narrow carmine blotch. The original ruffled type. A large-flowering variety. Midseason.	
Loveliness (Van Konijnenburg)	1.25
Rich buff, lightly suffused apricot at the edges; the throat lightly brushed rose carmine. A strong grower with large open blooms.	
Minnesota (Ruff)	.40
Pale primrose with deeper shadings, and a rich cherry throat. Flower of medium size, on a tall well-formed spike. Early.	
Niagara (Banning)	.75
Golden buff, often splashed carmine; throat marked the same. Large triangular blooms well open, on a tall spike. Midseason.	

YELLOW AND ORANGE

	Doz.
Golden King (Black)	.75
Lemon yellow, with blotches of blood red. The flowers are of good size, and well expanded; spike erect. Midseason.	
Primulinus Hybrids, yellow	.60
A selection of these dainty and decorative varieties, in shades of yellow. Early.	
Primulinus Hybrids, orange and apricot..	.60
A beautiful assortment of shades, some only lightly suffused, others nearly solid color, but all good clear shades. Early flowering.	
Prince of Wales (van Zanten)	1.50
Beautifully shaded apricot, with brushmarks of orange on a yellow-tinted throat. Perfect in form, large in size, with a good stem, and one of the first to bloom.	
Schwaben (Pfitzer)	1.00
Sulphur yellow, with a touch of amaranth-red in the golden yellow throat. A massive spike with well-open blooms. Midseason.	
Yellow Bird (Kunderd)	.85
Golden yellow, with crimson blotch. Blooms of good size, on tall erect stems. Midseason.	

BRIGHT RED AND SCARLET

Dominion (Groff), syn. Red Emperor	3.50
Clear blood red, shading lighter toward the throat, which is lightly brushed with white. Very large flowers, on a long erect spike.	
Firebrand	.50
Brilliant orange scarlet, with canary yellow at the throat. Medium sized blooms on tall slender stem, held erect. Early flowering.	
Ida Van (Kunderd)	.60
Soft red with deeper shadings of cardinal in the throat. Flowers large and open, on stems of medium height. Early.	
Mrs. Beecher (Childs)	.75
Bright cardinal, with white throat dotted red. Large well-formed flowers, on a good stem and spike. Blooms midseason.	
Mrs. Francis King (Coblentz)	.50
Light scarlet, shading to flame pink at the throat, with a blotch of blood red. A long spike of large open blooms. Early.	
Pride of Hillegom (Velthuys)	3.00
Brilliant fiery scarlet, slightly deeper at the throat, with a narrow dash of white on the medial lines. Of large size and excellent form. Blooms in early midseason.	
Princes (Van Fleet)	.60
Scarlet, with large creamy white blotch partly overlaid cardinal. Very large flowers of amaryllis-like form. Midseason.	

DEEP RED AND CRIMSON

	Doz.
Attraction (Childs)	.60
Rich rose-red, with throat of creamy white. Large well-expanded flowers on a stem of medium height. Midseason.	
Crackerjack (Cowee)	.50
Rich dark red, with throat stippled maroon on yellow ground. Midseason.	
Empress of India (Velthuys)	.75
Rich cathedral red, shading maroon. The flowers are large, in a compact spike. Early.	
George Paul (Lemoine)	.75
Deep crimson with lighter throat, thickly stippled with red. The flowers are large and open, on slender erect stems. Fairly early.	
Liberty (Tracy)	.50
Deep red, with striking throat of yellow and garnet. Large flowers blooming midseason.	
Mrs. Watt (Crawford)	.85
American Beauty shade of crimson, without blotch or markings. A fine flower of good size, on a tall stem. Midseason.	
War (Groff)	1.00
Deep blood red, shaded dark crimson. Very large and fine, but a little late.	

LAVENDER, MAUVE AND VIOLET

Baron Hulot (Lemoine)	.60
Deep blue-violet, with lemon yellow dash in the medial lines, and a very dark throat. Medium-sized flowers in a good spike. Midseason.	
Bluebird (Velthuys), syn. <i>Conspicuous</i>	3.00
Light grayish blue, with darker throat, relieved by a fine pencilling of yellow. Medium-sized flowers of excellent form.	
Herada (Austin)	1.50
A bright clear shade of deep lavender. Very vigorous in habit, with large blooms, several open at a time. Midseason.	
Lavender Beauty (Alexander)	.85
Light mauve with small carmine blotch; like an orchid in coloring if opened in the house. The flowers are large and well-arranged. Early.	
Mary Fennell (Kunderd)	1.50
Pure mauve, with lemon yellow throat lightly brushed carmine. Large flowers well arranged on a tall stem. Blooms midseason.	
Master Wietse (Velthuys)	.75
Pure royal purple, with no conspicuous marks. Large flowers on graceful stems. Midseason.	
Scarsdale (Cowee)	.75
Bright mauve, with lighter shadings. The flowers are large, and well-placed on good stems, tall and erect. Early midseason.	

MIXTURES

	Doz.
Gold Medal Mixture. Large-flowered varieties of exhibition quality. Not an accidental mixture, but a well-balanced selection.....	.75
Silver Medal Mixture. Mostly light shades, carefully selected for cut-flowers..	.60
Bronze Medal Mixture. A wide range of color and form; not the newest and largest, but all suitable for cutting.....	.50
Primulinus Hybrids. The dainty small-flowered hooded type, similar to the African wild species, in a variety of shades: yellow, orange, apricot, and pink, with a few scarlet.....	.50
Selection 1. Yellow shades only.....	.60
Selection 2. Yellow, orange and apricot...	.60

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