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THE MODERN GLADIOLUS

Our grandparents would indeed be surprised if they could see the improvement in the Gladiolus as it is grown to-day. The newer kinds embrace nearly all the colors of the rainbow, covering a wide range of color from bright red and deep purple to the most delicate tints of pink, yellow and lavender.

This flower is so easily grown and gives such good results in most soils that every one should grow a few in their garden.

On account of its good keeping qualities it surpasses all other flowers for cutting purposes. Cut the spike when the first bud opens and place them in vases in the house. Change the water daily, remove the withered portions, cut an inch or so from the stem and every bud will open one by one to the very top. A vase of blooms may be kept fresh and beautiful for a week or more.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

The Gladiolus is a flower of easy culture and does well in any soil, but should be planted in full exposure to the sun. Bulbs should be planted from four to six inches deep, and three to four inches apart. They may be set out as soon as the frost is out of the ground, and until about June 1.

The more the soil is worked and fertilized the better the result will be. If stable manure is to be used it should be spaded in, in the fall previous to spring planting. Good results are obtained from the use of commercial fertilizer applied at the time of planting.

Unless the soil is very light and sandy, or the season is abnormally dry, good results should be forthcoming without watering. If watering is done, it should be in the evenings only, and the ground should be thoroughly drenched.

When cutting the flowers, care must be taken as soon as the first bud has entirely opened; not to lift, or disturb the bulbs. Cut the flowers leaving at least four leaves on the stem of the plant, to help mature the bulb.

Bulbs may be dug as soon as the foliage begins to turn brown, or, after a frost has stopped the growth. Cut the stems off close to the bulb, and place them where they will have plenty of air to dry; preferably in a shady place. When thoroughly dry the old bulb and roots may be removed easily. Store in a cool dry place where they will be safe from frost.

ORDERING

To give entire satisfaction, let me suggest early ordering. The stock of choice varieties is often limited, and cheaper varieties are in great demand.

Prices quoted are for clean mature stock of sufficient size to produce good blooms. It is not always the large bulbs that produce the best flowers. Some varieties even produce the best flowers from small bulbs.

Every effort is made to keep the stock true to name. Any bulbs not proving satisfactory in this respect will be replaced free of charge. For the prices quoted, bulbs will be delivered free to all points in the U. S. A. One half dozen furnished at the dozen rate.

No orders of less than fifty cents can be accepted.

Remittance should be sent with order, or before shipment is made.

Prices will be furnished on application, to customers desiring to purchase large quantities, or planting stock, of any of the varieties listed

GLADIOLUS BLOOMS

Cut flowers in large or small quantities during the blooming season for decoration or commercial use. Prices on application.

LIST OF VARIETIES

Each Per Doz. Per 100

America (Banning), Delicate lavender pink; large wide open flowers. One of the most popular Gladioli	\$0.05	.50	3.50
Amethyst (Stewart), Deep amethyst color, slightly suffused with rose. Many flowers open at one time, a strong grower	.40	4.00	20.00
Anna Eberius (Diener), Dark velvety purple; throat deeper; large flowers	.20	2.00	15.00
Augusta (Hallock), White with blue anthers	.05	.50	3.50
Avalon (Kunderd), Ruffled; a very choice blush white	.35	3.50	
Baron Jos Hulot (Lemoine), Deep violet blue, one of the finest blue Gladioli	.10	1.00	7.00
Byron L. Smith (Kunderd), Most refined lavender pink on white ground. Fine as a cut flower. Color equal to a fine cattleya orchid	.50	5.00	
Chicago White (Kunderd), White with lavender markings in throat; very early...	.05	.50	3.50
Chris (Grullemans), Maroon red, purplish shaded	.15	1.50	10.00
Crackerjack (Cowee), Rich dark red, throat spotted with yellow and dark maroon....	.05	.50	3.50
Crimson Glow (Betscher), Deep brilliant crimson, overlaid with darker shades. Lower petals blotched with deep velvety crimson	.30	3.00	20.00
Dawn (Tracy), Coral pink, with a lighter throat stained claret	.10	1.00	7.50
Early Pendleton (Kunderd), Much like "Mrs. Frank Pendleton." Earlier and more blossoms open at one time..	.35	3.50	20.00

Empress of India (Velthuys), A rich dark red shading maroon. Not a tall grower.	\$0.07	.70	5.00
Evelyn Kirtland (Austin), An exquisite shade of melt- ing pink deepening towards the edge; brilliant scarlet blotches on lower petals. A tall grower	.15	1.50	10.00
Flora (Velthuys), Beautiful canary yellow with scarcely any markings. A tall and strong grower. New	.35	3.50	20.00
Gen. Pershing (Kirchhoff), Large flowers. Upper petals pale pink. Lower petals yel- low, striped rich carmine ...	.15	1.50	10.00
George Paul (Lemoine), "Har- vard" crimson with lighter throat. The flowers are large and open, on slender erect stems	.10	1.00	7.00
Glory (Kunderd), Ruffled; creamy-white with crimson stripe	.08	.75	5.00
Glory of Holland (Velthuys), Pure white, with faint rose markings in throat	.05	.50	3.50
Golden King (Black), Bright golden yellow with crimson blotch in throat. A strong grower	.08	.75	5.00
Golden West (Dames), Bril- liant orange scarlet, the lower petals blazed with golden yellow	.08	.75	5.00
Halley (Velthuys), Delicate salmon pink, large flowers on long spike, very early ...	.05	.50	3.50
Herada (Austin), Large flow- ers of glistening mauve col- or. Very popular	.15	1.50	10.00
Independence (Woodruff), Rich begonia pink with deep red throat	.05	.50	3.50

Le Marechal Foch (Van Duer- sen), A new Holland variety and a seedling of America. Very delicate pink with large wide open flowers. Very early	\$0.25	2.50	15.00
Lily Lehman (Alkemade), Ivory white, lily shaped flowers	.10	1.00	7.00
Lily White (Kunderd), an ex- tra fine white, very early ...	.15	1.50	10.00
L'Immaculee (Velthuys), Pure white, long spike, many flowers open at one time. One of the best whites. Early	.10	1.00	8.00
Louise (Wright), A new lav- ender with large wide open flowers; dark wine penciling on lower petals. Strong grower	.50	5.00	35.00
Loveliness (Van Konijnen- burk), Creamy-white, large flowers, a strong grower ...	.15	1.50	10.00
Maine (Vose), A rare and pure white of exquisite form reminding one of the lilies when in full bloom	3.00	30.00	
Mary Pickford (Kunderd), Delicate creamy - white. Throat soft sulphur-yellow. Stem and calix also white...	.30	3.00	21.00
Mary Stearns Burke (Diener), Canary yellow overlaid with apricot, deep canary center. An extra fine yellow	.50	5.00	35.00
Meteor (Pfitzer), Bright nas- turtium red, a blotch of carmine on the lower petals.	.15	1.50	10.00
Minnesota (Ruff), Pale prim- rose with deeper shadings, rich cherry throat. Tall strong grower. Early	.05	.50	3.50
Miss Edith Cavell (Verduin), A fine white of perfect form, faint violet marks in throat. New	.75	7.50	50.00

Mrs. A. E. Kunderd (Kunderd), White slightly suffused with pink. Tall with large flowers	\$0.15	1.50	10.00
Mrs. Dr. Norton (Kunderd), Shell pink, shading to soft pink at edge of petal, lower petals blotched sulphur yellow. Large flowers on a tall straight spike	.30	3.00	20.00
Mrs. Frank Pendleton (Kunderd), Beautiful rose pink, with large ox-blood blotch in throat	.10	1.00	7.00
Mrs. Francis King (Coblentz), Flame pink, a well known and popular variety	.05	.50	3.50
Mrs. Watt (Crawford), "American Beauty" rose color, without blotch or marking, a tall strong grower	.08	.75	5.00
Mrs. W. E. Fryer (Kunderd), Brilliant firey orange scarlet.	.10	1.00	7.00
Muriel (Pfitzer), One of the loveliest of the light blues; a small dark spot in the throat. Flowers larger than most varieties of its color ..	.60	6.00	40.00
Myrtle (Kunderd), Delicate rose pink shading lighter to a creamy throat. Early....	.15	1.50	10.00
Neoga (Kunderd), Rich dark garnet red with deeper throat. Ruffled	.15	1.50	10.00
Niagara (Banning), Golden buff, often splashed carmine; throat marked the same. Tall strong grower	.08	.75	5.00
Panama (Banning), Bright pink. Large wide open wax-like flowers	.08	.75	5.00
Peace (Groff), Large white with a spot of violet in the throat. Tall strong grower, blooming late	.08	.75	5.00

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Pink Beauty (Van Thol), Rose pink, with carmine blotch in throat. Very early	\$0.08	.75	5.00
Pink Perfection (Hopman), A lovely flower of a true La France pink. Its soft coloring and graceful stems make it one of the choicest varieties	.10	1.00	7.00
Premiere (Kunderd), Light cream blotched wine red. Many flowers open at one time	.15	1.50	10.00
Pride of Goshen (Kunderd), Ruffled; flowers very large and petals elegantly waved. Color of a salmon or flesh pink. Tall and vigorous...	.15	1.50	10.00
Pride of Lancaster (Kunderd), Ruffled; orange salmon, deeper orange throat. Strong grower	.50	5.00	30.00
Prince of Wales (Van Zanten), Beautiful shaded apricot, with fine marks of orange on a yellow tinted throat. Large flowers many open at one time. Very early	.15	1.50	10.00
Princepine (Kirchhoff), Large carmine red flowers with white blotches; several blossoms open at one time	.07	.75	5.00
Purple Glory (Kunderd), The giant of the Kunderdi Glory race, and a remarkable color. Deepest velvety maroon red with almost black blotches like burned into the petals. Beautifully ruffled	1.25	12.00	
Red, White, & Gold (Kunderd), Upper portion of bloom pure white; lower petals of a rich yellow with a blotch of richest red on each	.40	4.00	
Scarsdale (Cowee), Bright mauve, with lighter shadings	.08	.75	5.00

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Schwaben (Pfizer), Pure yellow, deep red blotch in throat. Strong grower	\$0.10	1.00	7.00
Sulphur King (Childs), Rich sulphur yellow, many flowers open at one time	.15	1.50	9.00
Summer Beauty (Kunderd), Very choice deep salmon pink. Tall and showy	.15	1.50	
Velvet King (Coblentz), Light cerise red edged with drab, throat marked with crimson. . . .	.08	.75	5.00
War (Groff), Deep blood red, large flowers. Tall strong grower	.08	.75	5.00
White American (Childs), Seedling of America, buds flesh-white, opening clear white with slight marks of blue in throat	.15	1.50	10.00
White Giant (VanMeerbeek), Large pure white, flowers when open resembles an Easter Lily. Strong grower. Early. New	.25	2.50	15.00
White Glory (Kunderd), A pure white of exact size and type as "Kunderd Glory," with beautiful iris - blue throat	.20	2.00	
White King (Kunderd), Ruffled; a sulphur white with markings of purplish rose in throat. Tall strong grower. . . .	.10	1.00	7.00
Wilbrink (Hopman), Large flowers of a flesh pink color. Very early	.10	1.00	7.00
Willy Wigman (Warner), Blush white, with dark carmine blotch	.08	.75	5.00
Yellow Hammer (Grullemans), Pure yellow, with small red marks in throat. Tall strong grower	.08	.75	5.00

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS

In the year 1889 there was discovered in South Africa a new and rare specie of Gladiolus which was named Primulinus. The color of this was a clear primrose yellow. The form of this flower is distinctive, the upper petal drooping forward. Dainty and beautiful varieties have been obtained from crossing this Primulinus (species) on garden varieties.

They are remarkable for their beautiful pastel shades of orange, red, and yellow. The flowers are graceful, the plants vigorous and prolific.

Each Per Doz. Per 100

Alice Tiplady (Kunderd), Beautiful orange saffron color	\$0.35	3.50	20.00
Roanoke (Kunderd), Primrose yellow, with carmine lines in throat	.30	3.00	20.00
Primulinus Hybrids , All colors mixed	.05	.50	3.50

SPECIAL OFFERS

Number One, Special Price \$1.00

6	America, lavender pink	\$0.25
6	Crackerjack, dark red	.25
6	Halley, salmon pink	.25
6	Independence, begonia pink	.25
6	Glory of Holland, white	.25
<u>30</u>		<u>\$1.25</u>

Number Two, Special Price \$1.50

1	Anna Eberius, purple	\$0.20
1	Baron Hulot, Violet blue	.10
1	Dawn (Tracy), coral pink	.10
1	Geo. Paul, "Harvard" crimson	.10
1	Lily Lehman, white	.10
1	L'Immaculee, white	.10
1	Meteor, bright red	.15
1	Mrs. F. Pendleton, pink with red blotch	.10
1	Myrtle, rose pink	.15
1	Pink Perfection, pink	.10
1	Prince of Wales, salmon pink	.15
1	Roanoke (Prim.), yellow	.20
1	Schwaben, yellow with red blotch	.10
1	White King, ruffled white	.10
1	Wilbrink, early lavender pink	.10
<u>15</u>		<u>\$1.85</u>

Number Three, Special Price \$2.50

6	Golden King, yellow	\$0.38
6	Mrs. Watt, dark red	.38
6	Panama, pink	.38
6	Peace, white	.38
6	Pink Beauty, early pink	.38
6	Velvet King, cerise red	.38
6	Willy Wigman, white with red blotch ..	.38
6	Yellow Hammer, yellow	.38
<u>48</u>		<u>\$3.04</u>

Number Four, Special Price \$3.25

1	Amethyst, amethyst and rose	\$0.40
1	Flora, new yellow	.35
1	Le Marechal Foch, new early pink	.25
1	Louise, new lavender	.50
1	Miss Edith Cavell, new white	.75
1	Mrs. Dr. Norton, fine pink	.30
1	Muriel, light blue	.60
1	Neoga, ruffled dark blue	.15
1	Pride of Lancaster, orange salmon	.50
1	White Giant, lily shaped white	.25
<u>10</u>		<u>\$4.05</u>

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