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The Aristocrats
of the
Dahlia-World

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Dahlia
Aristocrats

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Why Dahlia Aristocrats?

IT is a pleasure to present you with my first catalog, which portrays as near perfect as my words and knowledge can express, the colors and characteristics of my Dahlias.

You may wonder why I term them "The Aristocrats of the Dahlia-World", but if you will tarry a few moments, I will tell you.

Dahlias have been my life work. I have grown up with them. They were my play-things of childhood; I learned to plant them, hoe them, harvest them, and to call them by name. By the time I had finished my education, I had commenced to love them, to see a future in them, and to become an enthusiast—yes, more than an enthusiast—a dahlia critic. The more common varieties did not have the necessary qualities. I wanted something more, better, the best there were. As a connoisseur, I found giants, aristocrats, giants among giants, and the super-aristocrats of the dahlia-world. All these I collected, and have been growing in my private garden for the past four years. Each season I have added the best new creations, and shall continue to do so.

If you want the finest modern dahlias, those that are abundant bloomers and have good stems, I will be pleased to hear from you. I specialize in Quality Dahlias, have the best colors and bloomers for Florists: the cream of the modern dahlia-world for Nurserymen and Seedsmen: and the giants for the Specialists who want the best.

The Dahlias listed in my catalog will win in keenest competition and bring you the best class of trade obtainable. They are the Aristocrats of the Dahlia-World.

You can depend that you will receive strong healthy tubers, and that your order will receive my prompt and careful attention. Soliciting a share of your patronage, I remain

Yours for Dahlia success,

J. HERBERT ALEXANDER.

Wholesale Dahlia Catalog

For The Trade Only

BUSINESS TERMS.

Cash with orders or before shipment of tubers. Firms with established credit will receive usual terms.

DISCOUNTS.

A 2% cash Discount will be allowed when cash accompanies order, or a 15% discount will be allowed in additional stock, that is, your selection of anything in this catalog. Six tubers of any one variety may be had at the dozen rate, 25 at the 100 rate, and 1,000 rates, upon application.

PACKING.

No extra charge for packing. All shipments will be securely and careful packed, and every effort will be taken to insure safe arrival. All orders forwarded at your risk and expence. Dahlia roots are perishable, so I cannot guarantee they will not freeze when shipped during the winter months. However, I assure you that I will take all precaution, as far as special packing is concerned, to insure their arrival in good condition. I sincerely recommend Express shipments, as freight is too uncertain. Kindly give explicit shipping instructions with your order to avoid disappointments. Be sure to give date or approximate time, and way you wish your order forwarded. This will help me serve you.

TIME OF SHIPMENT.

I am prepared to make shipments any time after harvesting is completed, usually October 30th, until June 1st of the following Spring,—that is, any time during the seven months between the above mentioned dates.

CLAIMS.

No claims for rejections or deficiencies will be entertained unless made within ten days after arrival of goods. I want you pleased with every shipment, so if everything is not perfectly satisfactory, please report it at once.

GUARANTEE.

While I exercise the greatest care to have my stock true to name, and agree to replace all that may prove untrue or fail to grow, I do not give any warranty, expressed or implied, as to productiveness or any other matter. In case of an error on my part, it is mutually agreed between you and me that I shall not at any time be held responsible for a greater amount than the original price of the stock purchased. I take pride in my Dahlias, and by personal handling of all stock listed can assure you it is absolutely true-to-name.

QUALITY TUBERS.

Prices quoted herein are for selected tubers the divisions of fully matured field-grown clumps, which are the highest grade obtainable and will produce strong healthy plants under ordinary conditions. None are propagated, no cuttings are taken. All are free from weakness and disease, being the divisions of fields-grown clumps. I cannot accumulate a stock of new things in this way as rapidly as by propagating cuttings, but believe I can grow clean, healty tubers more satisfactorily, and build a better business.

SUGGESTION.

If you are not acquainted with Dahlias, I will gladly make suggestions and advise you to best of my ability, providing you will write me fully concerning your requirements.

DESCRIPTIONS.

All descriptions in this catalog will be found to be as nearly in accordance with the actual colors as it is possible to write them. I have endeavored to avoid exaggeration, yet I have tried to describe fully the characteristics of the different varieties; to recommend the cream of them; and to call to your attention the purposes for which each variety is best suited, that you may make an intelligent selection for your requirements. It is my aim to give you the advantage of my experience, thus saving you the costly expense of learning for yourselves.

I am constantly at your service and your letters are welcome at all times.

Be sure to address me as:

J. HERBERT ALEXANDER,

450 Central Street,
EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

HYBRID CACTUS and CACTUS DAHLIAS

The name in parenthesis following the name of the Dahlia is the name of the originator of that variety.

Not less than 6 at dozen rates, or 25 at 100 rates.

Name	Description	Price per doz.	Price per 100
A. C. Lawrence.	This new creation has been exhibited as "A. C. L." and is one of very good quality. To my knowledge it is the very finest of its color for exhibition purposes, being a giant in size, and one that retains its color well. The flower is exceptionally well built, being broad and of unusually good depth. The color is a very dainty shade of shell pink. A Hybrid Cactus which it is a pleasure to recommend. \$3.00 each, 3 for \$8.00	\$30.00	
Advance. (Keynes).	Bright firey scarlet, slight blending of yellow at base of petals. A large flower. The largest and best at this price on the market. 30 cents each, 3 for 80 cents	3.00	25.00
Alfred Vasey.	A Hybrid Cactus of reddish apricot or a bright pinkish apricot shade. Flowers are small, but produced very abundantly. 30 cents each, 3 for 80 cents	3.00	
Beloit. (Englehardt).	A giant Hybrid Cactus Dahlia, which produces its flowers on very long stems. Its color is rich garnet or crimson-purple. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.40	5.00	
Billie Burke.	A very early flowering Hybrid Cactus. Blooms of large size, produced on very long stems, making it a desirable cut-flower and garden variety. In color, a bright sulphur yellow with tips and reverse of petals tinted lavender. Petals long and gracefully twisted. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	
Bianca. (Hornsveld).	An exceptionally good Hybrid Cactus Dahlia for cut-flower purposes. In my estimation the best of its color. Flowers are of large size and produced on long stems that are very strong and wiry. The general impression is a beautiful orchid shade with a blending of white at the center. It is also described as rose-lilac, and lavender-pink. One of the most satisfactory garden varieties. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.40	5.00	40.00
California Enchantress. (Bessie Boston).	A Hybrid Cactus Dahlia of great substance. Its flowers are of large size, and produced on very strong stems of wiry stiffness. In color, it is a delightful shade of rose-pink, with slight blending of white, making it very beautiful. With three admirable qualities: size, erect stems and abundant blooms, it is a splendid dahlia. \$1.50 each, \$4.00 for three	15.00	
Colossal Peace. (Maytrott).	One of the earliest to bloom of the Hybrid Cactus type. The plants are tall and sturdy growers, producing large flowers on good stems. In color, a dainty La France pink blending to white at tips. This variety is a more delicate pink than "California Enchantress" both being sufficiently distinct to be desirable. Late in the season, many blooms show that beautiful golden yellow center, so characteristic of the Peony-flowered type. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00
Crepuscle. (Burrell).	A golden orange with brighter orange center. Strong sturdy grower and good bloomer. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents	2.50	20.00

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Edith Slocombe. (Slocombe).	A true Hybrid Cactus, with well formed flowers, that are produced on long wiry stems. In color it is a rich fuschia-garnet or purplish garnet, with velvety shadings. The formation of the flower is unusual, the petals being twisted and curled, giving a very pleasing appearance. \$5.00 each, 3 for \$14.00	50.00	
Effective. (Hobbies).	An old favorite. Bright primrose shaded amber: continuous and very abundant bloomer. Recommended for cut-flower and garden purposes. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents	2.50	20.00
F. W. Fellows. (Stredwick).	A moderately Incurved Cactus of large size. The petals are long, narrow and tightly quilled. In color, it is a bright orange-scarlet. Considered one of the best of the true English Cactus type, and worthy of a place in every garden. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.40	5.00	40.00
Gee Whiz. (Broomall).	A Hybrid Cactus Dahlia of gigantic size. The color of this creation is a soft buff shaded with salmon. A very desirable exhibition variety, that I can highly recommend. Late bloomer in New England States. Does very well South. \$3.00 each, 3 for \$8.00	30.00	
George Walters. (Carter).	A wonderful Hybrid Cactus Dahlia that I highly recommend. It is a Dahlia of gigantic size, one of the very largest and finest on the market. In color, a beautiful shade of salmon-pink artistically blending to old gold. Its flowers are perfectly formed, of very good substance, and produced on exceptionally long stems, well above the foliage. A strong sturdy grower and equally desirable for either exhibition, garden or cut-flower purposes. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Gladys Sherwood. (Broomall).	The largest pure white Hybrid Cactus Dahlia to my knowledge. Its gigantic flowers are held erect on strong stems. Excellent for exhibition purposes, and very fine in the garden. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Helen Durnbaugh. (Broomall).	Another Hybrid Cactus from California. Its flowers are of a very delicate blush, buds open creamy white changing to a soft rosy tint as they develop. Serrated or notched petals add to its beauty. Blossoms produced on strong stiff stems. Does well in warm climate. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Hoffnung. (Engelhardt).	A Hybrid Cactus of German importation. In color, a bright salmon-rose, with blending of old gold. Very long stems. 30 cents each, 3 for 80 cents	3.00	25.00
J. H. Jackson. (Vernon & Barnard).	The very finest dark Cactus dahlia at a moderate price. A very satisfactory all-round Dahlia, one of the most prominent for garden decoration and superb as a cut-flower variety. In color, a perfectly gorgeous, deep velvety, blackish maroon. A flower of large size. 15 cents each, 3 for 40 cents	1.50	10.00
Johannesburg. (Stredwick).	A large flower of beautiful formation. Each petal is long, straight, and tightly quilled. A very continuous and abundant bloomer. In color, an exquisite blending of golden amber and bronze. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1. 40	5.00	
Kalif. (Engelhardt).	The largest scarlet Hybrid Cactus Dahlia on the market, and one I can highly recommend. A truly majestic flower, and one unsurpassed for exhibition or garden purposes. A flower of perfect form, well built and good substance. The plants are strong sturdy growers, producing their gigantic flowers well above the foliage on strong stems. In color, a rich deep glowing scarlet. A favorite everywhere. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	50.00
Lavinia. (Burrell).	An exceptionally fine Incurved Cactus Dahlia of large size and unusually good formation. It is an excellent specimen of the highest type of the Incurved Cactus Dahlia. The petals are long, very narrow, and tightly quilled: and so beautifully incurved and interlaced as to almost meet at the center, making a very attractive and novel flower. In color, a coppery red or apricot crimson. This variety is the most abundant bloomer of the Incurved Cactus type and is always very interesting to show to visitors. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	

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Louise Slocombe. (Slocombe). An entirely new shade in Hybrid Cactus Dahlias deep rose overlaid amaranth pink with an exquisite silvery sheen. The general impression being a silvery rose. An early and continuous bloomer, producing its large size flowers abundantly. Another character of importance is the length of its stems, which are often 12 to 18 inches long and longer, and as stiff as cane, making it a very good cut-flower dahlia. Recommended for either garden or cut-flower purposes. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75		10.00	
Margaret E. Millis. (Millis). A new Hybrid Cactus Dahlia suitable for cutting. It has long stems, is a good bloomer, and flowers continuously. In color, a beautiful shade of clear lavender or orchid. \$1.25 each, 3 for \$3.50		12.50	100.00
Marguerite Bouchon. (Cayeux). A lovely brilliant rose-pink with a suggestion of white at the center. A beautiful flower of perfect form that makes up most exquisitely in floral pieces. Highly recommended. 50 cents, 3 for \$1.40		5.00	40.00
Master Carl. Hybrid Cactus, Orange-buff, an old favorite. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00		3.50	
Mme. Henri Cayeux. (Cayeux). Pink with white center. Very dainty. 30 cents each, 3 for 80 cents		3.00	
Mr. Keith. One of the older English type Cactus Dahlias that is an early and dependable bloomer. Flowers of good size, and of rich velvety crimson color. A very fine garden variety, having pendent stems. 30 cents; 3 for 80 cents		3.00	25.00
Mrs. Chas. H. Breck. (Titus). Hybrid Cactus, with long stiff stems. In color, pale yellow blending to pink and rose. Good garden and cut-flower variety. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00		3.50	30.00
Mrs. Edna Spencer. (Spencer). An American Cactus with long stiff stems, making it fine for cutting. In color, an exquisite shade of lavender blending to white at the center. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00		7.50	60.00
Mrs. Ethel F. T. Smith. (Broomall). A gigantic Hybrid Cactus Dahlia. Petals rather broad, similar to "Gladys Sherwood" in shape and size, and of cream white shading to lemon. Long stems produce these giant flowers abundantly. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00		15.00	
Mrs. W. E. Estes. (Estes). An exceptionally fine Hybrid Cactus Dahlia of excellent formation and very large size. Pure white flowers are produced on long stems. Highly recommended. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00		15.00	
Nibelungenhort. (Engelhardt). One of the older favorites of the Hybrid Cactus type. A beautiful shade of old rose with a suggestion of salmon pink shading apricot. Good stems. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Pierrot. (Stredwick). An extra fine English Importation of the Incurved Cactus type. Its flowers are of very large size, and are produced abundantly, making it a satisfactory garden variety, and equally good for exhibition purposes. In color, a pleasing shade of amber bronze, occasionally tipped white. One of the most attractive. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35		5.00	40.00
Red Cross. A scarlet and gold Hybrid Cactus. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75		10.00	
Rene Cayeux. (Cayeux). An older variety that is always a favorite, and one that is really deserving of its popularity. In color, it is a clear rich glowing crimson. This variety is literally covered with flowers from earliest Summer until late Fall, making it one of the best for cut-flower and garden purposes. One of the earliest to bloom. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00		3.50	25.00
Rev. Dr. Baker. A continuous bloomer of a very novel shade of plum-purple, making it a desirable home garden dahlia. 25 cents each, 3 for 65 cents		2.50	20.00
Ruth C. Gleadell. (Seal). A Hybrid Cactus, termed "The California Sunburst Dahlia." In color, a soft yellow, shading to an apricot bronze on the outer petals. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00		3.50	25.00

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Tom Lundy. (Fenton).	One of the largest of the Hybrid Cactus type, and a dahlia that I can highly recommend. It has many times won first prize as the largest flower on exhibition. The plants are tall sturdy growers, producing their enormous flowers well above the foliage. In color, a perfectly gorgeous dark velvety red. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	50.00
Wodan. (Engelhardt).	One of the best Hybrid Cactus Dahlias for cut-flower and garden purposes. Large flowers of a beautiful salmon-rose color, shading to old gold in the center. Strong stems, and an abundant bloomer. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00	3.50	25.00
W. W. Allen. (Seal).	A crimson-red Hybrid Cactus from California. Stems stiff. 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00	3.50	20.00
Yvonne Cayeux. (Cayeux).	The finest white Cactus for florist's use and all cut-flower purposes. Equally good as a garden dahlia, as it is an abundant bloomer. Its dainty pure white flowers make up like stars in funeral work. 35 cents each, 3 for \$ 1.00	3.50	25.00

DECORATIVE DAHLIAS

6 at dozen rates, 25 at 100 rates.

Aibonita.	A giant orchid pink, produced on long stiff stems. \$2.00 each, three for \$5.00		
Amun Ra. (Seal).	"The Sun God." This new creation has the record of winning first prize for three consecutive years on the Pacific Coast. A gigantic flower of a blending of copper and orange, gold tinted: also described as a reddish bronze. A massive flower, produced on exceptionally strong stems and a Decorative of very superior merit. \$4.00 each, 3 for \$10.00		
Beatrice Slocombe. (Slocombe).	A very well built flower of large size. It is an early, continuous and abundant bloomer, which makes it an ideal garden variety, and one that I can highly recommend. The combination of colors is very attractive, being a very rich carmine red, blending to old gold and yellow, each petal tipped gold. A most unique and attractive color combination, and one sure to please. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Ben Wilson. (Murphy).	A grand new variety of very large size, that produces its flowers on excellent stems. In color, an orange-red, tipped yellow. Exceptionally fine for exhibition. Will grow 8 to 9 inch flowers. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Bertha McAteer Diehl. (Alexander).	A very good cut-flower variety of good size, producing its flowers erect on very strong wiry stems. In color, a soft canary yellow. Very desirable. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Bertha Story. (Story).	An exceptionally fine Dahlia that is worthy of being highly recommended. The flower is very large, of a beautiful rose-pink. Occasionally white petals appear, adding to its attractiveness. It produces giant flowers on long graceful stems, often two feet long. A very desirable cut-flower and garden variety; and equally good for exhibition purposes. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Bessie Boston. (Leedham).	A large deep scarlet, with serrated or notched petals, which adds to its attractiveness. Well built flowers, on strong stems. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	5.00	40.00
Bessie Gray.	Another large California Dahlia. A beautiful shade of lavender or orchid pink, very fine for exhibition purposes. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Bonnie Brae. (Broomall).	Cream shaded blush-pink, one of the finest. The flowers are of true Decorative type, and immense in size. An exceptionally good exhibition variety, but not suitable for cutting, as its enormous flowers are apt to be too heavy for the stems. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	

Name	Description	Price per doz.	Price per 100
Bradford. (Murphy).	A giant scarlet-red Decorative that is very desirable for exhibition purposes. Good bloomer and good stems. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
California Gold. (Michael).	See "Paul Michael." \$2.50 each, 3 for \$7.00	25.00	
California Superba. (Wintjen-Bessie Boston).	This flower is irresistible. California growers praise it extravagantly, as it grows there to perfection, and produces 10 inch flowers. Considered the largest light pink Dahlia ever produced. \$4.00 each, 3 for \$10.00		
Cambria. (Stredwick).	One of the finest Decorative Dahlias yet introduced, unusually large perfectly formed flowers, exceptionally free flowering, and carried on very long, stiff, erect stems. In color, an exquisite soft rose-pink, shading to a more delicate pink at the center. The finest pink shade to my knowledge. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
Carmencita. (Bessie-Boston).	A very attractive variety of golden yellow striped and splashed red. This is a dwarf grower and forms a compact bush, which is a mass of blooms all season. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Catherine Wilcox. (Marean).	A very refined flower, white tipped pinkish cerise. Strong grower and free bloomer. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
Cecile.	One of the favorite autumn shades, very fine for cut-flower purposes. In color, a blending of golden bronze and orange. Large flowers produced on long stiff stems, well above the foliage. Better than "King of the Autumn." 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Chieftain. (Slocombe).	One of the very best two colored Decoratives, buff, striped and splashed crimson. Some plants produce solid crimson flowers. Whether variegated or solid crimson it is a beautiful dahlia, of large size. Its flowers are produced on very long stiff stems, making it suitable for cutting. An ideal garden or exhibition variety. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.40	5.00	40.00
Comeliness.	A very delicate shade, blending of pale pink and white. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		
Dakota. (Marean).	Large coppery-red. One of the famous Judge Marean creations. Fine for exhibition. Flowers held aloft on strong stems. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
Darlene. (Alexander).	An exquisite shade of live shell-pink with a dainty blending of white at center. The finest cut-flower dahlia to date, and unquestionably the best florist's dahlia. It is a very early bloomer and flowers abundantly throughout the season. The uniformity and perfection of the flowers make it stand out above all others in its class for cut-flower purposes. One of the most satisfactory garden varieties, the plants making ideal specimens. Its flowers are produced on long stiff stems well above the foliage. I can recommend this very highly, as the best pink and white dahlia for cut-flower purposes. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Delice. (Charmet).	The brightest pink Decorative Dahlia in existence, and one of the very best florist's dahlias. I can highly recommend this variety. Its flowers are of good size and produced on very long stems well above the foliage. One of the best known commercial varieties on the market, and probably the best known cut-flower variety in the dahlia-world. In color, a charming bright rose-pink, suffused with lavender-pink. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	15.00
Dorothy Willis. (Hayden & Story).	White shaded lilac-rose, heavily striped and splashed deep maroon. Flowers of large size. Attractive on the exhibition table. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	
Dr. Hardy Pepin. (Hayden & Story).	Large bright crimson red. Good exhibition variety. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35	5.00	
Elizabeth Slocombe. (Slocombe).	The largest and best of its color to my knowledge, and one I highly recommend. Its gigantic flowers are produced on exceptionally long stems that are as stiff as cane, making it a much desired exhibition variety, and equally desirable for cutting. A very strong vigorous grower making a splendid effect in the garden. In color, a rich brilliant purplish-garnet in opening, and as the flower matures it fades to an exquisite shade of garnet. A very deep well built flower. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	150.00

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Emperor. (Marean). See "The Emperor."	\$8.00 each, 3 for \$20.00	75.00	
Enchantress. (Slocombe). Rose and buff.	50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		
E. T. Bedford. (Marean). Wonderful exhibition flower of a shade most difficult to describe; carried proudly aloft by long strong stems produced very freely on a plant growing to an average height of four feet. The color is a purple tone. Should be in every exhibition collection, and in every garden where a good dahlia grows.	\$5.00 each, 3 for \$12.00		
Fireburst. (Johnson). A giant orange-red, which blooms very abundantly. Deep well built flowers that are exceptionally good for exhibition purposes.	50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	5.00	40.00
Frank A. Walker. (Alexander). One of the earliest to bloom, an extra fine cut-flower variety, and equally good as a garden dahlia. Flowers about the same size as "Delice." A good early variety for florist's use, blooms three weeks ahead of "Delice." Produces its flowers continuously and abundantly. In color, a very beautiful shade of lavender-pink. Recommended for florist's use.	15 cents each, 3 for 40 cents	1.50	10.00
Frau Geheimrat Scheiff. (Engelhardt). An exquisite blending of apricot, orange and yellow, with reverse of petals coral red. The unopened central and twisted petals show the coral-red prominently, making a very unusual and attractive flower. It is an early bloomer, producing its large flowers on exceptionally long stiff stems well above the foliage. I consider this the best dahlia I have grown on the autumn shades, for cut-flower purposes.	\$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Futurity. (West). Deep old-rose, 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	
George E. Bemister. (Bemister). A gigantic flower of bright clear lemon yellow. Long graceful curling petals are of the most attractive characteristics of this flower, making its mammoth blossom one of the most beautiful for both garden and exhibitions purposes. A very abundant bloomer, on long stems.	\$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00
Glorify of New Haven. (Slocombe). One of the most beautiful Dahlias grown and, in my estimation, the best on the orchid shades. An exquisite shade of pinkish mauve or silvery lilac. The nearest to lavender to my knowledge, in a desirable Decorative Dahlia. Its flowers are of very large size. Plants are strong and sturdy, producing their gigantic flowers with remarkable freedom on long stiff stems.	\$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00
Grizzley. (Burns). The richest deep velvety maroon Dahlia yet produced. The plant is a vigorous grower, and the very large stately blooms are held high above the foliage on extra stout stems. Every grower should have this splendid Dahlia, which I can highly recommend.	\$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Henry Maier. (Maier). A large free-flowering golden-yellow, shaded red. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	
Jane Selby. (Bessie-Boston). Exceptionally large flowers of a delicate mauve-pink. Great substance and good formation on strong stems well above the foliage. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Jersey's Pride. (Waite). A very large Hybrid Decorative of an exquisite blending of yellow amber and pink.	\$6.00 each, 3 for \$15.00		
John H. Slocombe. (Slocombe). A gorgeous flower of an intense deep red, suffused with a beautiful velvety sheen. The petals are prettily curled and twisted making it a most attractive variety. Very fine for exhibition purposes.	\$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	80.00
John Lewis Childs. (Bessie-Boston). Picture a yellow, heavily suffused, splashed and striped with brilliant deep scarlet, and generally tipped white, and you have this very attractive variety. All fancy or bi-colored Dahlias occasionally have a flower of a solid color. With this variety the red blossom is usually tipped white. A flower of immense size and produced on a long stiff stem. Most desirable for exhibition purposes.	\$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00

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Judge Marean. (Marean). A gigantic flower of perfect type and of a color combination most difficult to describe. There is a riot of color, continually changing as the flower develops. A glowing salmon-pink, with a touch of watermelon-red exquisitely blending to iridescent orange, yellow and pure gold. It is a most profuse bloomer, flowering continuously being at its best in August. The flowers are produced on exceptionally long stems that are strong and wiry, carrying them high above the foliage, seemingly well aware of their magnificence. I highly recommend this splendid creation. \$3.00 each, 3 for \$8.00		30.00	
Lady Betty. (Marean). This charmingly beautiful Dahlia was named in honor of Judge Marean's wife, being a great favorite, and selected by her from his thousands of seedlings. It is a very large, finely formed flower, produced on exceptionally strong stiff stems. A most pleasing and lovely color. It is a creamy white but a soft rose suffusion is spread as a haze over the flower, with occasional yellow dashes thru the center of the petals. This variety should grace every fine collection. \$2.50 each, 3 for \$7.00		25.00	
Latona. (Hornsveld). One of the favorite autumn shades that is extra fine for cut-flower purposes. In color, an unusual blending of orange, buff and yellow. It produces its flower very abundantly, and perfectly erect, on stems as stiff as cane. 50 cents, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	35.00
Lavendera. Very large flowers on long stems. Lavender-pink shading to white at center. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Le Grand Manitou. (Charmet). White artistically striped, splashed and blotched a rich violet-purple. The plants occasionally produce solid purple colored flowers, which are very fine. A very broad massive flower of great depth, making it desirable for exhibition or garden purposes. The effect of its phenomenal flowers is most pleasing, giving this variety a supreme place in this class. Dwarf grower. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents		2.00	15.00
Leo XIII. (Hornsveld). One of the best cut-flower dahlias, being a very abundant bloomer. The habit of the plant is all that can be desired, producing very large flowers on splendid stems. In color, it is a rich beautiful deep golden yellow. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		4.00	
Mabel B. Taft. (Bessie-Boston). Pale soft yellow, suffused pinkish apricot. Very abundant bloomer. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00		7.00	
Madonna. (Ware). An exceptionally good all around dahlia, excellent for cut-flower purposes, and one of the most satisfactory in the garden. The flowers are borne in a miraculous profusion, upon long graceful stems of wiry stiffness, making it one of the most desirable. Its color is a very beautiful white, slightly tinted a most delicate shade of lavender-pink. The shape of the flower is very original, each petal curling and twisting in a very pleasing manner. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		2.00	15.00
Mady Savignon. (Stredwick). A large deep golden yellow. Flowers produced continuously, well above the foliage. Very fine. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Mammoth. This variety is properly named, as it produces mammoth flowers of a cardinal red. Good exhibition dahlia. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Mephistopheles. (Marean). A huge ruby red, with yellow tips. Considered one of the finest. \$4.00 each, 3 for \$15.00			
Mina Burgle. (Burgle). The finest scarlet dahlia for cut-flower and garden purposes, — a glowing most brilliant scarlet. Large flowers of perfect formation produced abundantly on long wiry stems. Very highly recommended. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		2.00	15.00
Moonlight. Yellow shaded red. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	
Millionaire. (Stillman). A giant lavender shading to white at the center. Dwarf grower. One of the very largest dahlias in existence. Very popular and in great demand. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00		7.50	60.00
Mons. Le. Normand. (Charmet). A bright yellow heavily striped and splashed scarlet. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00		7.50	

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Mrs. Carl Salbach. (Salbach).	A gigantic lavender-pink, produced on exceptionally long stiff stems. Very desirable. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$ 4.00	15.00	
Mrs. George Stumpp. (Alexander).	A very large flower of an exquisite blending of amber and buff. Stems very long and as stiff as cane. One of the favorite autumn shades. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	75.00
Mrs. I. C. Moran.	A delicate blending of pink and white. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents	2.50	
Mrs. I. De Ver Warner. (Marean).	A blossom of soft orchid coloring, and unquestionably one of the very best of the Dahlia family. For its beautifully charming color, for the very large flowers, and for its very long, strong, wiry stems, this variety was the cynosure of all eyes of the Dahlia critics at the recent exhibitions. A refined, lovely, sweet color, deep mauve pink, of perfect form, a true type, impressive for its very large size. It is without exception a leader among existing varieties. Extremely strong grower, very abundant bloomer, splendid for exhibition, and for the garden it is of the greatest merit. \$4.00 each, 3 for 10.00	40.00	
Mrs. John L. Emerson. (Slocombe).	A favorite garden and exhibition Dahlia that will produce six to eight inch flowers throughout the season. In color, a beautiful light golden-yellow, overlaid carmine-red. One of the largest and most attractive, Decorative Dahlias grown. \$1.25 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Mrs. John T. Scheepers. (Marean).	I endeavor to describe my Dahlias without showing favoritism, but I esteem this variety so highly that I cannot conceal my opinion of it. I can truly say it is one of the very finest Dahlias I have ever grown, and I am proud to boost such a phenomenal creation. The flowers are giants among giants, produced on exceptionally strong stems that are long and as stiff as cane. The color is unrivaled, as to merit, beauty, exquisiteness and charm. Upon opening, the flowers are of a clear golden primrose which gradually changes to a beautiful delicate shade of pink suffusion on the outer petals. A strong vigorous grower, and an abundant bloomer. One of the gems of the Dahlia world. \$8.00 each, 3 for \$20.00		
Mrs. Helen Kellogg. (Slocombe).	An exceptional Dahlia, of gigantic size and daintiest blendings. In color, white exquisitely edged violet-rose. A continuous and abundant bloomer. Equally desirable for garden and exhibition purposes. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Mrs. T. G. Bemister. (Bemister).	Having purchased the entire stock of this new creation. I take pleasure in introducing it. The flower is a very attractive one, a bright carmine-red, blending to golden yellow at the center, occasionally tipped white. It is an early and continuous bloomer, and produces its gigantic flowers abundantly. Some plants produce semi-double flowers, showing the golden yellow center prominently. A very desirable acquisition worthy of a place in every fine collection. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
Mrs. Wm. J. Rowe. (Slocombe).	A gigantic flower of perfect formation, one of the favorite autumn blendings now so popular. Lemon-yellow blending to apricot yellow, with occasional shadings of salmon on the outer petals. An exceptionally fine variety for garden or exhibition purposes. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00
Mrs. Wm. Roberts. (Slocombe).	A very dainty flower of white, tinted lilac-pink. 75 cents each, 3 for 2.00	7.50	
Nobilis. (Coy).	A splendid Decorative on a very stiff straight stem. A startling combination of scarlet and white, with white predominating. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Noir Alvarez (Nonin).	An exceptionally fine variety of large size, which is always a continuous and abundant bloomer. In color, it is a very rich deep velvety oxblood red, the best of its color to-date. The plants grow tall, making a vigorous growth and producing their flowers well above the foliage. Highly recommended for cut-flower, garden, or exhibition purposes. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	12.00	80.00

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Paul Michael or California Gold. (Dr. Michael).	Can be grown to majestic size for exhibition if shaded a week before showing. This variety is one of the largest and most beautiful to my knowledge, and it is a pleasure to recommend it. Twice it has been awarded the prize for the largest dahlia in California Shows. In color, a pure gold, or deep orange buff. An early, continuous, and abundant bloomer. Flowers produced on strong plants of medium height. An ideal exhibition or garden dahlia. \$2.50 each, 3 for \$7.00	25.00	
Peace. (Sampson).	A very large pure white Dahlia, propuced on long stems well above the foliage. Recommended for garden and exhibition purposes. One of the very best white Decoratives. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	12.00	80.00
Pink Lady. (Hayden).	Undoubtably the daintiest and most beautiful pink Decorative Dahlia to-date. Outer petals are of the sweetest rose-pink shade imaginable, passing gradually to white at center. The flower is a picture of perfection, as it is so perfect in shape. Flowers from five to seven inches in diameter, making it desirable for exhibition purposes. It is an exceptionally fine cut-flower and garden Dahlia, making up beautifully in floral pieces. An abundant and continuous bloomer; on long stiff stems. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
Polaris. (Broomall).	A fine pure white of good form. 50 cents each, 3 for 2.50	5.00	40.00
Preferencia. (Snow).	A monster flower of rich deep clear yellow. Long petals beautifully arranged. Plants of medium height, producing their flowers on long stems. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.50	10.00	80.00
Pride of California. (Lohrmann).	The finest of the dark rich crimson Decorative Dahlias for all purposes. An exceptionally large flower making it the best possible for exhibition. It produces its gigantic flowers on long stiff stems and very abundantly, making it an ideal garden and cut-flower variety. In warm climates it does very well, and can always be depended upon. The plant is a tall vigorous grower, and produces its flowers on stems as stiff as cane. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	6.00	50.00
Princess Pat. (McWirter).	A magnificent California Dahlia, described by some as a glorious shade of old rose. I would call it a rich apricot salmon. It is one of the most beautiful of the autumn shades, and produces its flowers on long stiff stems. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Purity. (Slocombe).	This variety is very appropriately named as it is a pure glistening white, of sterling quality. An early, continuous and abundant bloomer, recommended for cut-flower or garden purposes. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35	5.00	40.00
Purple Manitou. (Charmet).	Identical in shape and size to "Le Grand Manitou." In color, a beautiful rich deep purple. Large flowers, on long stiff stems. Plants are dwarf growers. By far the best reasonably priced purple Decorative. 20 cents each, 3 for 50 cents	1.50	12.00
Ralph Story. (Alexander).	Deep scarlet, occasionally tipped white. Very attractive when white markings come. Long stems, good bloomer. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35	5.00	
Red Flag. (Broomall).	Bright velvety crimson-red. Long stems, free flowering. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	15.00
Rosalind Blanchard. (Sampson).	A most exquisite shade of deep rose-pink. Flowers well formed, tightly quilled florets. Plants are very tall and sturdy, producing their flowers abundantly on good stems. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	80.00
Rosa Nell. (Broomall).	A most beautiful and satisfactory dahlia, producing its gigantic flowers on exceptionally long stiff stems, well above the foliage. Flowers come perfectly full and double until frost, making it very desirable as an exhibition dahlia. It is equally good in the garden, where it attracts immediate attention. Its color is rare among dahlias, a deep bright rose. Excellent shape, free bloomer, and long stems make it one of the finest dahlias grown, and one I can highly recommend. \$2.50 each, 3 for \$7.00	25.00	
Rosemawr. (Broomall).	Immense flowers of rich rose-pink. Dwarf branching habit. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35	5.00	

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Samson. (Parker).	A very pleasing combination of gold and scarlet with blends of orange. In my estimation one of the finest and most reliable Decorative Dahlias. A giant in size, and a tall sturdy grower. Flowers are full, of great depth, and borne on long, strong stems, high above the foliage. Highly recommended. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
San Mateo. (Bessie-Boston).	The best fancy or bi-colored Decorative to my knowledge: one of my favorites. In color, a deep lemon yellow, heavily striped and splashed brightest scarlet. Gigantic flowers, produced continuously on good stems. Plants are tall and vigorous growers. A flower of great substance, and fine formation. Recommended for exhibition and garden purposes. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Sequoia Gigantea. (Burns).	Another gigantic California production of excellent habits. It is well named as it is as sturdy as the giant trees of California, and towers above the other plants in the garden. An immense buttercup-yellow with a suggestion of red. The largest and best of the deep yellow Decoratives. A very broad well formed flower produced on long stems that are stiff as cane. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Shasta. (Broomall).	A free-flowering white that is good for cutting. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.30	5.00	
Shelikoff. (Mastick).	A rich deep garnet. Flowers are large, of great depth, and produced on long stems. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Snowdrift.	A huge snow-white blossom of fine form. Dwarf bushy plants. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	
Sulphurea. (West).	This variety resembles a large yellow chrysanthemum. It is one of the earliest to bloom and flowers constantly throughout the season. In color, a clear sulphur yellow. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	
Sunbeam. (Slocombe).	A very unusual flower that is quite different from any other. Inside of each petal are several smaller petals making this variety a good novelty. In color, a bright carmine-red, the pointed and twisted tips of the petals being touched with gold, making it distinct and attractive. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Tenor Alvarez. (Nonin).	One of the finest variegated Dahlias. A flower of large size, but very difficult to describe, its color is so unusual. A combination of rose-violet, lilac and white heavily striped and splashed deep maroon. An early continuous and abundant bloomer. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75	10.00	80.00
The Emperor. (Marean).	An exceptional variety, its enormous size, its beautiful deep color, the perfect form of the flower and the extra long stem, make this a magnificent prize winner of highest quality. It is a maroon of finest type. The flower is made up of long flat petals, the color is so intense it does not spot under any weather conditions. \$8.00 each, 3 for \$20.00	75.00	
The Grizzley. (Burns).	See Grizzley.		
Venus. (Marean).	An exceptionally abundant bloomer, one of the most continuous to my knowledge, and worthy of highest recommendation. It produces its flowers on long stems well above the foliage. The color is a soft delicate shade of creamy white with lavender suffusion. Very dainty shade. Strong sturdy grower, plants are literally covered with flowers from early summer until frost. \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00	20.00	
William H. Slocombe. (Slocombe).	The largest and best pale yellow Decorative Dahlia to my knowledge. Flowers are of gigantic size, from six to eight inches in diameter under ordinary conditions, and can be grown much larger. A clear primrose or sulphur yellow. Recommended as the best for exhibition and garden purposes. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00	15.00	100.00
War.	A deep cardinal red of good size. Free bloomer. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	12.00
Woody of Oz. (Doolittle).	A California Dahlia of beautiful form. In color, salmon-pink overlaid and blending to yellow at the center. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	4.00	30.00

PEONY-FLOWERED DAHLIAS

Name	Description	Price per doz.	Price per 100
Bertha von Suttner. (Hornsveld). An exquisite shade of soft salmon-pink with blends of yellow. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.35		5.00	
Blue Bird. (Bessie-Boston). A very large amaranth-pink, shading to lilac. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75		10.00	
Cleopatra. (Marean). Pale yellow with reddish or tangerine reverse. Very large. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00		15.00	
Debutante. (Bodge). A most exquisite and beautiful shade of salmon-pink blending to yellow. An exceptionally good bloomer. \$3.00 each, 3 for \$8.00		30.00	
Dr. Peary. (Hornsveld). A very large rich velvety maroon. The best dark Peony to my knowledge. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	35.00
Ellen E. Kelly. (Alexander). Lemon yellow flowers produced abundantly on long stems. 20 cents each, 3 for 50 cents		2.00	15.00
Elsa. (Lohrmann). Fluffy white flowers that are very waxy and beautiful. Produced on long stems high above the foliage. Useful for cutting and garden, 35 cents each, 3 for \$1.00		3.00	20.00
Ferna. (Alexander). The sweetest and most beautiful shade of rose-pink imaginable. Large fluffy flowers produced early and abundantly. \$1.50 each, 3 for \$4.00		15.00	100.00
George E. Alling. (Alling). A "Geisha" seedling having characters similar to the parent variety. In color, a bright canary-yellow. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Geisha. (Hornsveld). Scarlet and gold. Large, and very attractive. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00		7.50	60.00
Henry L. Kennedy. (Alexander). A large bright purple. Long pointed petals. Early continuous and abundant bloomer. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Mandeschabe. (Goos-Kornemann). Rich deep yellow. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		2.50	15.00
Mrs. Carrie Hayward. (Alexander). An early and abundant flowering peach-red. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	
Mary Ethel Irby. (Alexander). Giant crimson-red. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75		10.00	
Mme. Van Bystein. (Hornsveld). A large deep lavender or lilac-blue. The best Peony-flowered dahlia on the orchid shades. Good cut-flower variety and equally good for garden or exhibition purposes. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		2.00	15.00
Newport Dandy. (Alexander). Lilac-pink of large size. Abundant bloomer. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
President Harding. (Alexander). A large abundant flowering soft yellow. \$1.00 each, 3 for \$2.75		10.00	80.00
R. F. Rainsville. (Alexander). An abundant bloomer of rich pansy purple. Very beautiful. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25		5.00	40.00
Santa Barbara. Salmon-pink. 15 cents each, 3 for 40 cents		1.00	8.00
Tom Walters. (Alexander). Good autumn shade for cut-flower purposes. Flowers produced on long stiff stems. Amber and orange-salmon. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.40		5.00	40.00
U. S. A. (Stillman). Giant deep orange, very beautiful. One of the finest Peony-flowered dahlias to-date. \$2.50 each, 3 for \$7.00		25.00	
Van Dyck. (West). Large salmon-rose, curling petals, a beauty. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents		2.00	15.00

HYBRID SHOW and SHOW DAHLIAS

6 at dozen rates, 25 at 100 rates.

Name	Description	Price per doz.	Price per 100
A. D. Livoni.	Also known as "Ethel Vick." The favorite old-time quilled shell-pink. 15 cents each, 3 for 40 cents	1.50	10.00
Bride.	Deep rose and white. 15 cents each, 3 for 40 cents	1.50	8.00
D. M. Moore.	(Wilmore). Rich velvety deep maroon, nearly black. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents	2.50	20.00
Dreer's White.	(Dreer). Quilled pure white, large. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	
General Miles.	(Johnson). Large, light violet, striped and spotted deep purple. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	
Glorie De Paris.	(Cayeux). Giant deep purple. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	
George W. Gero.	Soft pink. 25 cents each, 3 for 70 cents.	2.50	
J. K. Alexander.	(Alexander). Deep purple. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	5.00	
Le Colosse.	Brick red. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	
Lily P. Hathaway.	(Hathaway). Orange, very fine. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	7.50	60.00
Mrs. C. D. Anderson.	(Slocombe). Rich purplish-crimson, large. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	4.00	30.00
Mrs. John L. Bowman.	Gold, buff and orange. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	5.00	
Maude Adams.	(Alexander). White tinted pink. Continuous and abundant bloomer. One of the very best florist's dahlias. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	15.00
Miss Helen Hollis.	(Alexander). Large scarlet-red. Best of its color. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	15.00
Purple Miles.	(Johnson). The solid of "General Miles." Deep purple, large. 50 cents each, 3 for \$1.25	5.00	
Santa Cruz.	(Leedham). Large salmon-pink blending to yellow. 75 cents each, 3 for \$2.00	6.00	40.00
W. W. Rawson.	(Johnson). Large quilled white, overlaid lavender. 25 cents each, 3 for 60 cents	2.00	15.00

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If you are interested in Dahlias that you do not find in this catalog, I will appreciate it if you will write me. I grow many varieties that I do not have in sufficient quantity to list, but will be glad to make you quotations on them.