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GLORIOUS
c Catalog of
GLADIOLI

The Beautiful Sword Lilies of American
Gardens

The Choicest Varieties Grown by
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FOREWORD

THE FLOWER

BEAUTY is the synonym for gladioli. There is no flower of our gardens which can outrival it in stateliness, grace and endless variety of colorings. Its colors range from the purest white through the deepest self-shades. There are mottled, speckled and blotched ones without end.

VARIETIES are extremely numerous. A selection of the best can be made only by those who have had years of experience. It is our policy to give our customers the benefit of our knowledge and to list only those varieties which have received the highest awards by gladioli experts all over the country. Many of the older, well-known kinds have been eliminated to give place to their successful rivals. Our endeavor is to keep abreast of the marvelous development which American growers, each year, are bringing about in this flower.

CULTURE. There is no flower easier to raise than the gladiolus. In the spring the clean, round bulb is placed in the ground and nature and an occasional watering takes care of the rest. Even the production of prize-winning spikes is a simple matter and full directions are given with all bulbs we send out.

THE BULB

PEDIGREE is back of every fine variety; but, however worthy the kind may be, one cannot hope to get good flowers if the bulbs have not been raised under the proper conditions of soil and climate. The Puget Sound country has been pronounced by experts to be the best bulb section in the world, Holland not excluded; and we spare no expense to give our bulbs the proper growing conditions.

GUARANTEE. We guarantee to furnish bulbs of unusual vitality, large blooming size and absolutely true to name. We will rectify, only too gladly, any mistakes that might happen, and will replace any bulbs that are not true to name. It must be mutually understood, however, that beyond this we will not be held responsible.

PRICES. Our prices are the lowest consistent with the quality of bulbs we send out. We have long since learned that poor seeds and bulbs are expensive at any price; and it is our aim to deal with our customers as we would be dealt with.

100 Bulbs at 7 times the dozen rate

TERMS. Cash with order where immediate delivery is to be made. When goods are held for future delivery, a deposit of one-third the amount is asked.

DELIVERY is usually by parcel post prepaid free to any part of the United States. Mail orders receive our most careful attention.

A CHOICE SELECTION OF NAMED VARIETIES

Every flower in this list has been carefully chosen from hundreds of named kinds which we raise in our trial grounds and all are recommended varieties.

Primulinus is the name of a particularly graceful and attractive type in which one of the upper petals forms more or less of a hood over the stamens.

PINK SHADES

	Each Dozen	
DIENER'S AMERICAN BEAUTY. American Beauty rose with yellow on lower petals. A wonderful bouquet of blooms all open at once	\$1.00	\$10.00
DOROTHY McKIBBIN (Kundred). Light pink overlaid with deep rose on the edge of petals. Daintily ruffled	.25	2.50
DOROTHY WHEELER (Kundred. Primulinus. Rich rose pink with lighter throat. Tall spikes of large, massive flowers	.15	1.50
E. J. SHAYLOR (Kundred). Deep rose pink. Heavily ruffled. Early	.20	2.00
EVELYN KIRTLAND (Austin). Shell pink with rose pink edges	.15	1.25
GIANT NYMPH (Coleman). A giant flower. Light rose pink with creamy yellow throat	1.00	10.00
JENNY LIND (Dr. Hoeg). Soft apricot pink with yellow throat. Beautiful	.75	7.50
LE MARECHAL FOCH (Van Deursen). Light pink, enormous blossoms. The successful rival of popular America. A larger, finer flower of a more pleasing shade	.10	1.00
MAIDEN'S BLUSH (Grullemans). Primulinus. Most delicate soft shade of pink, very early	.15	1.50
MARSHALL FOCH (Kunderd). Salmon pink. Large, round, wide-open blossoms. We recommend this very highly as one of the very best	.35	3.50
MONA LISA (Kundred). Palest and most beautiful lavender pink. Ruffled	.25	2.50
MRS. DR. NORTON (Kundred). Cream and pink in a wonderful blending	.20	2.00
MRS. H. E. BOTHIN (Diener). Flesh-salmon pink with flame scarlet center. A finer coloring on the order of Mrs. Frank Pendleton	.25	2.50
MYRTLE (Kundred). Delicate rose pink with lighter throat. A charming flower	.15	1.50
1910 ROSE (Kundred). Very large, pure rose pink with a narrow white line on lower petals	.15	1.50
PEACH ROSE (Kundred). Brilliant rose pink. Strikingly beautiful	.75	7.50

	Each Dozen	
PINK WONDER (Kemp). Bright light pink with yellow at base of lower petals. Rose feathering. Huge flowers. A wonderful gladiolus	.50	5.00
PRIDE OF GOSHEN (Kundred). Flesh salmon pink and buff flowers, forming huge massive spikes. Very popular. Ruffled	.15	1.50
RICHARD DIENER (Diener). Unquestionably the most beautiful pink to be found in any flower. Blossoms large and flaring and most beautifully arranged on the spike.....	4.00	40.00
ROSE ASH (Diener). Ashes of roses, a color attracting a great deal of attention. Large, stately spikes	.50	5.00
ROSE GLORY (Kundred). Deep rose, wonderfully ruffled	.35	3.50
W. H. PHIPPS (Diener). La France pink overlaid with light rose salmon. Enormous flowers almost all open at once. A marvel of the gladiolus world	25.00	
WILLIAM KENT (Diener). Creamy shell pink with golden ochre center. Considered the finest ruffled variety in existence	5.00	50.00

SALMON AND ORANGE SHADES

ALICE TIPLADY (Kundred). Primulinus. Extra large orange-saffron, especially recommended	.15	1.50
ANGOLA (Kundred). Primulinus. Beautiful salmon pink. Ruffled.....	.10	1.00
BUTTERFLY (Burbank). Beautiful yellow orange with distinctive butterfly marking on lower petals.....	.15	1.50
BUTTERFLY (Kundred). Primulinus. Salmon yellow. Ruffled	.15	1.50
D. J. WHITNEY (Diener). Salmon feathered with rose salmon. Giant flowers blooming very early.....	1.00	10.00
JACK LONDON (Diener). Light salmon overlaid with orange.....	.20	2.00
KATHERINE S. HESS (Diener). Orange-salmon, lighter shade in throat. Large flower	1.00	10.00
MAJESTIC (Velthuys). Clear red-orange with white lines on lower petals. Wide open. Gorgeous	.20	2.00
MING TOY (Kundred). Primulinus. Large open bloom of buff and saffron.....	.75	7.50
MISS SPOKANE (Kundred). Huge wide-open flowers of a deep orange pink. Magnificent spikes	.50	5.00
ORANGE GLORY (Kundred). Large ruffled orange	.25	2.50
POLA NEGRI (Diener). Apricot with yellow lip. Rose and salmon on edges. Beautiful color combination.....	1.00	10.00

	Each Dozen	
PRINCE OF WALES (Van Zanten). Beautiful shade of salmon with yellow in throat. Especially recommended.....	.10	1.00
RUBINI (Heemskirk). Gorgeous red-orange with beautiful white blotch on lower petals. Unsurpassed in this color	.30	3.00
SALMON BEAUTY (Kundred). Primulinus. Large deep salmon with salmon yellow throat	.15	1.50
SIRIUS (Kundred) Primulinus. Deep salmon with rich throat. Similar to Myra, but beautifully ruffled	.15	1.50
JEWELL (Zeestraten) Primulinus. Bright pink and gold in beautiful contrast	.50	5.00

RED SHADES

CHATEAU THIERRY (Vos). Large light scarlet of distinctive beauty. Beautiful butterfly blotch on lower petals.....	.20	2.00
CRIMSON GLOW (Betcher). Brilliant crimson with velvety sheen. Large and grand	.20	2.00
DIANA (Zeestraten). A new sensational red, one of the finest in cultivation....	.35	3.50
DR. F. E. BENNETT (Diener). Flame orange red. The grandest red in existence. Perfect spikes	25.00	
MOHAWK (Kemp). A gorgeous cardinal red flower with a distinctive light blotch on the lower petals. Unusual..	.25	2.50
MRS. W. E. FRYER (Kundred). Large, beautiful bright scarlet flowers on short spikes. The gladiolus most suited for bedding purposes. Per hundred	\$8.00 .15	1.50
MRS. WATT . Dark American Beauty red	.10	1.00
NEOGA (Kundred). Dark garnet, half ruffled; very attractive	.15	1.50
PURPLE GLORY (Kundred). Gigantic blooms of deep maroon red. A wonderful exhibition variety	1.00	10.00
SCARLANO (Kundred). Brilliant orange red. We consider this one of the finest	.25	2.50
SCARLET PRINCEPS (Kundred). Round, wide-open blossoms of a beautiful soft scarlet. Highly recommended.....	.25	2.50

PURPLE AND LAVENDER SHADES

ANNA EBERIUS (Diener). Velvety purple, flaked deeper purple	.25	2.50
BYRON L. SMITH (Kindred). Orchid lavender laid on white ground. Very choice	.25	2.50
HERADA (Austin). Pure mauve or deep lilac. Beautiful	.10	1.00
LOUISE (Wright). Bright lavender shading lighter towards the center. Maroon blotch. Extremely large	.25	2.50

	Each Dozen	
MARY FENNEL (Kundred). Light lavender tinged pink with yellow throat.....	.15	1.50
MRS. F. C. PETERS. Beautiful rose lilac with crimson blotch bordered white on lower petals. Large	.75	7.50
MURIEL (Pfitzer). Lavender blue blotched a deeper shade. Beautiful, far surpassing any "blues" previously listed. A very refined flower	.25	2.50

YELLOW SHADES

FLORA (Velthuys). Clear yellow	.15	1.50
GOLD (Hoeg). A true large-blossomed golden yellow gladiolus, the finest yet produced	1.00	10.00
GOLDEN MEASURE (Kelway). Large clear yellow	.50	5.00
LOVELINESS (Van Konijnenburg). Beautiful cream colored flowers on fine spikes	.15	1.50
MORNING GLORY (Vos). Light lemon yellow with small, beautiful splash of scarlet in throat. A very attractive flower	.25	2.50
POLLYANNA (Prestgard). Finely waved petals of beautiful golden yellow. Very charming	.50	5.00
SUNBEAM (Vaughan). Primulinus. Bright yellow faintly washed salmon	.15	1.50
YELLOW TREASURE (Austin). Primulinus, ruffled. The deepest golden yellow. Highest award by the American Gladiolus Society, 1923	1.00	10.00

WHITE

ALBANIA (Kemp). Unquestionably one of the finest whites in cultivation. Large flowers	.50	5.00
EARLY SNOWFLAKE (Kemp). Huge blossoms, white flushed pink	.25	2.50
ELF (Diener). Lemon yellow bud. Snow white blossom, lemon yellow tipped....	.50	5.00
EUROPA (Pfitzer). A fine pure white.....	.20	2.00
HELEN TAYLOR (Diener). The largest and finest pure white with lavender blue anthers	15.00	
L'IMMACULEE (Unknown). Pure white. Lily form. Tall and stately	.15	1.50
MARY PICKFORD (Kundred). Soft creamy white with sulphur yellow throat	.25	2.50

MIXTURES

	Hundred Dozen	
CHOICE MIXTURES OF ONLY FINE NAMED VARIETIES	.75	5.00
CHOICE MIXTURE OF PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS	.75	5.00
CHOICE MIXTURE OF NAMED VARIETIES AND SEEDLINGS	.50	3.50

COLLECTIONS

3 bulbs **HERADA** (purple)

3 bulbs **PRINCE OF WALES** (salmon)

3 bulbs **FLORA** (yellow)

3 bulbs **EVELYN KIRTLAND** (pink)

The above 12 bulbs, value \$1.50, sent prepaid for \$1.15.

3 bulbs **ALICE TIPLADY** (saffron orange)

3 bulbs **DOROTHY WHEELER** (soft deep pink)

3 bulbs **SUNBEAM** (golden yellow)

3 bulbs **ANGOLA** (salmon buff)

The above 12 bulbs of the primulinus type, value \$1.65, sent prepaid for \$1.15.

3 bulbs **BYRON L. SMITH** (orchid lavender)

3 bulbs **MARSHAL FOCH** (salmon pink)

3 bulbs **MARY PICKFORD** (white and yellow)

3 bulbs **SCARLET PRINCEPS** (brilliant light red)

The above 12 bulbs, the cream of the gladiolus world, value \$3.30, sent prepaid for \$2.75.

All three of the above collections, 36 bulbs, representing the finer varieties of gladioli, prepaid for \$5.00.

Collection of one bulb each of all the above varieties, 12 bulbs, prepaid for \$1.75.

FOR EVERY DOLLAR'S WORTH OF BULBS ORDERED OTHER THAN FOR THESE COLLECTIONS WE WILL SEND FREE ONE BULB OF ROSE ASH, VALUE 50 CENTS.

For varieties other than the ones listed herein write for our complete list of 300 varieties.

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