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Descriptive Catalog
*of Strawberry and other Small
Fruit Plants, Shrubs, Etc.*

Premier Strawberries

Send Your Order Direct To
PINE WOODS NURSERY
C. EDGAR THOMAS
DELMAR - - DELAWARE

Wm. Belt Strawberries

Information-Read Before Ordering

TIME TO ORDER. Just as soon as you receive this Price-list, as that will insure you of getting just what you want. Plants will be reserved and shipped when you are ready for them.

TIME OF SHIPMENT. From October 20th to May 1st, after this date plants are shipped at customer's risk. Our Northern customers usually order throughout the month of May and with a late season the plants will go through in good condition. Yet we do not advise shipping at this late date. We will only fill orders at customer's risk. We will use every precaution in crating and packing and do everything in our power to put plants through in good condition.

PAYMENT. Invariably cash before shipping. To reserve orders for future shipment, one-fourth, cash must accompany order and balance before plants are shipped.

PACKING. No charge for boxing and packing. Everything is delivered F. O. B. trains at rates given in this Price-list.

NO ORDER TO SMALL. Your order for twenty-five plants will receive the same care and attention as will an order for twenty-five thousand.

TRUE TO NAME. We use every precaution to have our plants true to name and believe we make few mistakes, yet we will not be responsible for any sum greater than cost of stock proving untrue to name and in no way will we be responsible for the crop grown.

Aroma Strawberries

Greetings For 1926

We never had nicer plants than we have this year. The dry season that we had this last season was such that they did not bed as good as usual but there was plenty of room to develop a good crown and root system. The quality is of the best and the price moderate.

We are still specializing in Chesapeake. The prices that we received for these berries the last season, makes us feel more than ever they are the best late berry there is to be had. The Premier, Big Joe and Wm. Belt come in the same class and no one can go wrong planting them to have a good succession of good marketable berries for the whole season.

We are still offering the Home Garden Collections, but of Strawberries only, and they will be an addition to anyone's garden, and a pleasure that will last for more than one season.

We want to thank the old customers for their orders and assure them and the new customers, that their orders will receive the same careful attention that they have in the past.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous year, I am

C. EDGAR THOMAS.

Gandy Strawberries

Description of Varieties

Aroma. One of the best late varieties. Plants are large and very vigorous, fruit is large to very large, roundish of bright glossy red of excellent quality and one of the most productive late berries.

Big Joe. This is one of the best berries on the list. Above medium in size, almost perfect in shape, very solid, bright red in color, and a very good bearer for so large a berry. The fruit is borne on long stiff stems, well up from the ground. Plants are large and deep rooted. A bed of Big Joe in fruit is about as handsome a sight as one often sees and is a money maker for both nearby and distant markets.

Bubach. Large size and handsome in color are its most valuable characteristics. Color is a beautiful bright red, neither dark or light. Foliage dark and waxy. Berries thick, meaty, fine grained, often weighing more than an ounce each.

Chesapeake. Foliage remarkably healthy, rather a poor bedder except in rich soil. Berries large, firm, bright crimson, with prominent seed, mild subacid, quality good to very good. It is liked because of its large, uniform, attractive fruit of excellent dessert and shipping qualities and the remarkable freedom of its foliage from disease and insects. Under irrigation it is one of the most productive of all varieties, and the fruit does not rot as badly as most sorts. You cannot go wrong in planting this variety for home or market. The Chesapeake is always in demand and is eagerly sought by buyers that ship to distant markets.

Campbell's Early Strawberries

Campbell's Early. Berry medium large, subacid, quality good. Foliage healthy; plants make runners freely. It is grown extensively in New Jersey, where it is liked for its productiveness and for its attractive fruit, which is uniform in shape and ships well.

Dr. Burrill. A variety that is growing very popular. Resembles Senator Dunlap and claimed by some to be the same. the berries are large and beautifully formed. The surface of the berry is a deep glossy red, the meat is solid and rich. As a canner it surpasses Warfield. The berries are excellent shippers and good keepers.

Ekey—(O. I. C.). A good berry for home use and a good selling berry at some markets. The berries are of good quality and heavy bearers. Vigorous growing variety.

Fendall. One of the very good late varieties that should be planted with Gibson, Big Joe, etc. Exceedingly productive, and extra large size bright scarlet red berries.

Gibson. Berries are large and regular in shape, holding their size well to the end of the season. Color rich red. Flavor is neither sweet or sour, but just right for canning. Extremely productive; in fact, we know of no variety that will produce more quarts of berries to the acre than Gibson.

Gandy. One of the universal favorites, and as a money maker it is hard to beat. A good grower with tall, healthy foliage, and produces large, dark crimson berries that when ripe, are of excellent quality. It is a splendid berry and always brings fancy prices. A free plant maker and a good grower while its extra firmness makes it keep on the vines longer than almost any kind we know.

Klondyke Strawberries

Glen Mary. Very popular throughout the northern part of the United States, and especially in Pennsylvania, New York and New England. Firm enough for distant shipping. It is of handsome appearance and good quality. The fruit is of large size and dark red in color.

Haverland. Berries medium to large, bright scarlet with light red flesh, subacid, good quality. Foliage healthy, making runners freely, adaptable to heavy soils. The fruit stems are slender and the berries are apt to lie on the ground. They should be mulched to keep berries clean.

Howard No. 17. We can find no difference between this and Premier. For description see description of Premier.

Kellog's Prize. A variety with a long fruiting season. It thrives in soil of every class, and yields immense quantities of large, perfect formed berries, high color, its golden seed lending a gloss to the surface of surpassing brilliancy and beauty.

Klondyke. Berries uniform in shape and size, dark red, mild and delicious, very handsome. Plants make a remarkable growth, are tall and compact, stalks strong, leaves light green, making abundant runners and an unusual number of crowns. One of the very best paying early varieties, eagerly bought by those who are ready to pay good prices for fancy fruit.

Missionary. A variety that is proving very popular all through the South. It is a strong grower, making plants freely; early to mature and very productive. The berries are well colored, firm, large and hold their size well throughout the season. It is a good shipper, having a tough skin not easily broken by handling.

Marshall. This is a berry that has been so popular in the New England markets for years. It is one of the richest flavored strawberries grown.

New York. The flavor is deliciously rich and melting. For a fancy berry it is one of the best, but its large size and delicate texture would possibly prevent the berries from arriving in good condition in distant markets. This berry is so popular that it has been introduced under many different names.

Premier. Early to late. Noted for its long fruiting season and unsurpassed shipping qualities. Ripens with the early varieties and continues fruiting until the late varieties come in. It is adapted to all sections of the country. No weakness of any kind. Fruit is large to very large and holds size well through its ripening season. Foliage is smooth, bright and clean. A good one.

Senator Dunlap. The foliage is tall, upright with a long leaf, and has more than an ordinary power of developing a heavy crown system. It has an extra long flowering season. It is a good one to plant as a pollenizer and should be planted with pistillate kinds that ripen at that season. The meat is bright red all through and exceedingly juicy.

Sharpless. An old and well known berry, especially desirable for home gardens. Fruit large and of excellent quality.

The Best. The plants are model growers, very vigorous and stalky. None more productive. The berries ripen very late, almost latest of all, coming just when the last berries bring the best price. The berries are very large and attractive, have fine flavor. The fruit is very solid, firm and a good shipper.

Wm. Belt. A king among strawberries. The plant is vigorous and succeeds upon a great variety of soils, and invariably yields heavily. It begins to ripen early and continues almost to the close of the season. It is firm and a good shipper.

Kellogg's Prize Strawberries below

The Best Strawberries

Everbearing Varieties

CHAMPION. One of the newer fall-bearers and it is a good one. Of the Progressive type but many think it much better than Progressive.

Progressive. This is generally considered the best of them all. Produces immense crops of medium size berries of the very highest flavor, even better than most of the "June only" varieties. If you have never grown strawberries of any sort you will be safe in planting these.

Perfection. This is a new variety of everbearers. It is a good plant maker and produces a wonderfully large crop of large size and delicious fruit.

Reasons For Planting Pine Woods Nursery Plants

We use the block system.

Plants are raised under the best of care.

Great care is used to see that they are true to name.

Plants are dug from new beds.

They have a good root system.

No old plants used.

In digging no roots unnecessarily exposed to wind or sun.

They are tied in bundles of 25.

Packed in the latest approved manner, and safe arrival guaranteed.

No plants shipped that we would not plant ourselves.

A Well Tilled Field of Strawberries

Price List of Strawberry Plants

Early Varieties		Price per 1000			Price per 1000
Campbell's Early		\$4.00	Senator Dunlap		5.00
Howard No. 17		5.00	Sharpless		5.00
Klondyke		4.00	Wm. Belt		5.00
Missionary		4.00	Wolverton		5.00
Premier		5.00	Late Varieties		
Midseason Varieties			Aroma		5.00
Big Joe		5.00	Chesapeake		6.00
Bubach		5.00	Gandy		5.00
Dr. Burrill		5.00	Kellog's Prize		5.00
Ekey (O. I. C.)		5.00	The Best		6.00
Gibson		5.00	Fendall		5.00
Glen Mary		5.00	Everbearing Varieties		
Haverland		5.00	Champion		8.00
Marshall		5.00	Perfection		8.00
New York		5.00	Progressive		8.00

PRICES FOR LESS THAN 1000 PLANTS

	\$4.00	\$5.00	\$6.00	\$8.00
25 plants	.35	.40	.45	.65
50 plants	.55	.60	.70	.85
75 plants	.75	.80	1.00	1.20
100 plants	.90	1.00	1.25	1.50
150 plants	1.10	1.25	1.60	1.75
200 plants	1.40	1.50	1.90	2.06
250 plants	1.55	1.75	2.20	2.40
300 plants	1.70	2.00	2.50	2.75
350 plants	1.90	2.25	2.75	3.15
400 plants	2.10	2.50	3.00	3.50
450 plants	2.30	2.75	3.25	4.00
500 plants	2.50	3.00	3.50	4.50

Dewberries

Lucretia and Austin. Prices—1 year size, each 10c, 10 for 50c, 25 for 80c, 100 for \$2.00, 1000 for \$15.00.

Blackberries

Snyder, Early Harvest and Colorado. Prices—1 year size, each 15c, 10 for 60c, 25 for \$1.25, 100 for \$4.00, 1000 for \$30.00.

Raspberries

Cuthbert, Early King, St Regis and Cumberland. Prices—1 year size, each 10c, 10 for 60c, 25 or \$1.0, 100 for \$3.00, 1000 for \$25.0.

Rhubarb

Myatt's Linneaus. Price—10 for \$1.00, 100 for \$6.00.

Asparagus

Palmetto, Barr's Mammoth, Giant Argenteuil and Conover's Colossal
Price—2 year old No. 1, 25 for 80c, 100 for \$2.00, 1000 for \$10.00.
1 year old No. 1, 25 for 60c, 100 for \$1.25, 1000 for \$ 6.00.

Washington

Price—2 year old No. 1, 25 for \$1.00, 100 for \$2.50, 1000 for \$15.00.
1 year old No. 1, 25 for \$0.80, 100 for \$1.25, 1000 for \$ 8.00.

Grapes

Concord, Worden, Niagara and Moore's Early
Price—2 year old No. 1, each 30c, 10 for \$2.00.
1 year old No. 1, each 20c, 10 for \$1.50.

Ornamental Shrubs, Etc.

Hydrangea P. G. 2 to 3 ft., each 75c, 10 for \$7.00.
Spirea Van Houtte 2 to 3 ft., each 50c, 10 for \$4.50.
Butterfly Bush 2 to 3 ft., each 40c, 10 for \$3.50.
Forsythia Fortunei (Golden Bell) 2 to 3 ft., each 50c, 10 for \$4.50.
Wegelia Rosea 2 to 3 ft., each 40c, 10 for \$3.50.

Roses

Dorothy Perkins, Crimson Rambler, Frau Karl Druschki and Paul Neyron
Price— 2 year, each 70c, 10 for \$6.00.

Rhubarb

Grapes

Raspberries

Asparagus

California Privet

	10	100	1000
6 to 12 inches	\$0.50	\$3.00	\$20.00
12 to 18 inches	.60	4.00	30.00
18 to 24 inches	.75	5.00	40.00

Barberry Thunbergi

	each	10	100	1000
6 to 12 inches	\$0.15	\$1.00	\$8.00	\$60.00
12 to 18 inches	.20	1.50	12.00	100.00

HOME COLLECTIONS

Home Collection No. 1.

- 100 Premier, Early
- 100 Big Joe, Midseason
- 100 Gandy, Late

Special Price Postpaid \$2.00

Special Collection No. 2.

- 100 Premier, Early
- 100 Klondyke, Early
- 100 Big Joe, Midseason
- 100 Ekey, Midseason
- 100 Chesapeake Late
- 100 Gandy, Late

Special Price Postpaid \$4.00

Special Collection No. 3.

- 1000 Missionary, Early
- 1000 Premier, Early
- 1000 Wm. Belt, Midseason
- 1000 Big Joe, Midseason
- 1000 Chesapeake, Late
- 1000 Gandy, Late

Special Price Postpaid \$27.50

Special Collection No. 4.

- 1000 Premier, Early
- 1000 Big Joe, Midseason
- 1000 Gandy, Late

Special Price Postpaid \$13.50

Cultural Directions

Strawberries, for the last few years, have been a paying crop and in many cases have been life savers for many farmers and growers. Experts predict that this crop will be a paying one for the next several years as the demand is increasing faster than the supply.

Although strawberries will grow on any good soil, it is good business to select as nearly an ideal soil as possible, as a poor soil can hardly ever be remedied by fertilizer or any other agency. Select a springy loam. That is, a good loam soil that contains a good supply of moisture and yet is not wet. Spread manure in the fall, if possible, and plow in the spring. Run out rows and apply about five hundred pounds of bone meal, either raw or steamed, per acre. Mix this well with the soil before setting out plants.

In most sections it is best to set out the plants as early in the spring as possible. Be careful in setting out plants that the crowns are not set too deep nor too shallow. Careful attention at this time is absolutely necessary for best results.

Cultivate as often as possible in order that weeds and grass may be kept under control and that the soil may be stirred thoroughly. Some varieties, such as Chesapeake, require more cultivation than do other varieties. When cultivating place runners along the row and fasten them down. This is often the secret of a good bed, and is one factor that good growers never neglect.

Pinch or nip off all blossoms the first year. This may be done with the thumb and finger, or better yet, with a small pair of shears. Failure to do this often results in stunted plants that never recover.

As strawberry plants make most of their growth in the fall, it is advisable to fertilize at that time. Use a formula fairly rich in phosphorus, whereas in the early spring, nitrogen should be the element stressed. The amount to be applied will vary with the soil, variety, method of handling, and season; but from 300 to 800 lbs. is the general rule. Some growers use only a form of nitrate the first spring after setting out the plants. Many experiments have proved that on the majority of soils a complete fertilizer heavy in nitrogen is better than the application of the one element alone.

The beds should be cleaned out after fruiting and fertilized in early fall. Grass and weeds take heavy toll with resultant small fruit and yields. Do not burn over beds unless the material is dry and wind right to make a quick job. This matter of burning is almost a thing of the past, although, it is often practiced by good growers.

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION

Dover, Delaware, September 24, 1925.

To Whom It May Concern:

This certifies that I have this day examined the nursery stock and premises of the PINE WOODS NURSERY of C. E. Thomas at Delmar, Sussex county, Delaware, and that said nursery stock is apparently free from crown gall, peach yellows, peach rosette, the San Jose scale, and all other plant diseases and insects of a seriously dangerous nature, that may be transferred on nursery stock.

This certificate may be revoked by the State Board of Agriculture for cause, and it is invalid after August 31, 1926, and does not include nursery stock not grown on the above named premises unless such stock is covered by certificate of a State or Government officer and accepted by the State Board of Agriculture.

RALPH C. WILSON, Inspector.

PINE WOODS NURSERY, DELMAR, DELAWARE