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HARDY GARDEN
LILIES
Seeds and Bulbs

The Mt. Hood Lily
Lilium Washingtonianum

YEREX LILY GARDENS
TIGARD, OREGON

THE popularity of the genus *Lilium* has increased greatly during recent years. Apparently garden lovers have awakened to a new interest in this noble race of flowers. Some have thought lilies difficult to grow. They are not. Success depends upon two things; namely, (1) the obtaining of sound, healthy bulbs, and (2) proper cultural methods. Imported lily bulbs suffer by exposure and handling in long transit. Those who have planted bruised and withered bulbs with poor success will be delighted with results obtained by planting fresh, solid, OREGON GROWN bulbs with roots intact. We grow and ship them right—after that success depends upon you.

Cultural Hints

The first requirement of lilies is good drainage. If your soil is light and porous, that is easily provided for, but if it is heavy, we suggest a liberal admixture of sand. Deep spading before planting, and raising of the surface of the bed are also advisable. Do not mix manure in the lily bed. Black leaf mould may be used without danger, or a surface mulch of **well rotted** manure. It is advisable to surround each bulb with sand when planting.

We grow practically all of the best hardy lilies but are retaining the majority of these for propagation, offering only those of which we now have considerable quantity. The following bulbs may be had for either Fall or Spring planting, but please send your orders in before March 1st.

Lilium Bulb List

BOLANDERI—One of the rarest of lilies, slender, with bell-shaped, deep crimson flowers, dotted purple. 4 in. deep. Early July. 1-3 ft. 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

PHILIPPINENSE FORMOSANUM—This lovely new lily from Formosa well deserves its title, "Pearl of the Orient." It is, without doubt, one of the most graceful and beautiful lilies yet introduced. From a grassy tuft of foliage, the slender stem rises 2 to 3 feet, bearing one to several long, slender trumpet flowers, pure white inside, streaked reddish brown externally. The fragrance is deliciously oriental. This lily has a great future. 6 to 8 in. deep. Late July. 2-3 ft. \$1.00 each, \$10.00 per doz.

REGALE—The finest of all garden lilies. Slender stems, 4 to 6 feet tall, are crowned with 6 to 30 funnel-shaped flowers, white and lustrous on the face, golden yellow in the tube, and more or less wine colored without. The fragrance resembles jasmine. 8 in. deep. Early July. 4-6 ft. 35c, 50c and 75c each. \$3.50, \$5.00, and \$7.50 per doz.

SPECIOSUM ALBUM—The lovely pure white form, as grown in Holland. 6 in. deep. September. 3-5 ft. 50c each, \$5.00 per doz.

TENUIFOLIUM—The Siberian Coral Lily. This is the most brilliant of all hardy lilies. Slender stems, 1 to 2 feet high, clothed with narrow foliage, bear up to 12 drooping, waxy, scarlet flowers. The best rock garden lily. 4 in. deep. June. 1-2 ft. 30c and 50c each. \$3.00 and \$5.00 per doz.

TIGRINUM—Large flowered, robust form of Chinese origin, rare in commerce. Bright orange-red, spotted purple. The most showy we have seen. A splendid garden lily. 8 in. deep. 5 ft. Early August. 40c each, \$4.00 per doz.

TIGRINUM—Double—This is the best double lily. Follows the single form in blooming. Produces large masses of flowers, fine for the border. 8 in. deep. Late August. 4 ft. 30c each, \$3.00 per doz.

Lily Seedlings, 6 Months Old

Seeds

To supplement our rather brief bulb list, and in response to an eager demand, we are offering seeds of some of our lilies and liliaceous plants. The latter include the *Erythroneums*, or "Fawn Lilies," which are among the loveliest and daintiest of our wild flowers, and the *Calochortus*, or "Star Tulip."

SEED CULTURE

From the gardener's standpoint, lily seeds are divided into two classes; (1) the faster growing, such as *Regale*, *Tenuifolium*, etc., which frequently bloom the second year from seed, and (2) the slower growing which require 3 to 5 years to flower, including most of the European and American species (as well as many of the Asiatic).

Class (1) seeds should be planted in open ground in early spring and the bulbs shifted after the first season's growth. Class (2) are better planted out in the **fall or early winter**, as the influence of frost and winter moisture seems to assist them in germination. Frequently, seeds of this class will lie in the ground for a whole year before coming up. **Do not destroy the bed if they fail to appear the first season.** Class (1) seeds we plant 3 or 4 to the inch of row, but class (2) seeds we plant much more thickly, as they thus assist each other in coming through the soil and do not overcrowd, due to their slower growth. Class (1) seedlings, in Oregon, usually average around 1 inch in diameter at the end of the first season, while class (2) are $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in diameter. Each kind is indicated in the list by the figure following the name.

Spare no pains in preparing the seed bed, as success depends largely upon the consistency of the soil. (We use bed 3 feet wide for convenience in hand weeding.) We recommend deep spading and a liberal admixture of sand and humus in the top 6 inches. Make the surface fine. A light, straight-edged board is used to make the rows across the beds. A shallow trench, about an inch wide and $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch deep, is made either with the edge of the board or with a trowel. The seeds are then strewn as above directed, covered and firmed in. The rows should be made about 6 inches apart. A covering of lath shades in the spring is highly beneficial to the young seedlings, protecting them from the frost and burning sun. Seeds may be sown in cold frames and left there for the first season's growth or planted out in May or June.

SEED LIST

Price—50c per packet of 100 or more seeds.

Any 5 for \$2.00

Liliums

COLUMBIANUM (2)—Our native Turk's Cap. Bright orange-yellow, spotted purple, dainty and graceful.

BOLANDERI (3)—A lovely bell-shaped woodland lily; (see bulb list).

GIGANTEUM HIMALAICUM (2)—The noblest of all lilies, attaining a height of 14 ft. Tubular, white flowers. Forms a small bulb the first year but no leaf until the second year.

HUMBOLDTII BLOOMERIANUM (2)—Golden yellow, stained purple, dark green foliage.

HUMBOLDTII MAGNIFICUM (2)—Similar to preceding, having larger flowers and taller stems.

JAPONICUM (Krameri) (2)—A most beautiful delicate pink lily from Japan.

KELLOGGII (2)—Rare and beautiful with recurved pink flowers; fragrant.

PARRYI (2)—One of the loveliest western lilies. Citron yellow, spotted with chocolate brown, deliciously fragrant.

PHILIPPINENSE FORMOSANUM (1)—(See description under "Bulbs".) \$3.00 per 1,000—\$5.00 per ½ oz.

POMPONIUM (2)—A brilliant red Turk's Cap from the Tyrol and Northern Italy.

REGALE (1)—(Described above.) Our seed is saved from 3 year plants which were allowed to bear only 1 to 3 pods each, thus insuring good plump seed of large size. \$1.50 per 1,000—\$5.00 per 5,000.

ROEZZII (2)—Beautiful slender stemmed lily, recurved orange and red flowers.

TENUIFOLIUM (1)—One of the daintiest lilies. Brilliant scarlet Turk's Cap. \$3.00 per 1,000—\$5.00 per ½ oz.

WASHINGTONIANUM (2)—Our lovely Mt. Hood Lily. (See photo.) Pure white, minutely spotted with purple and changing to rose purple with age. \$1.50 per 1,000—\$5.00 per oz.

CALOCHORTUS

LOBBII—A beautiful "star tulip," flowers creamy white with purple spot at base of petals.

ERYTHRONEUM

(Fawn Lilies, or Dog Tooth Violets)

These western species are the finest in the world.

GIGANTEUM—Cream colored with orange spot at base of petals, leaves beautifully mottled.

HENDERSONI—Lavender with maroon eye.

MONTANUM—"The Avalanche Lily"—white with orange eye.

PARVIFLORUM, "The Glacier Lily"—Tall stems bearing lovely buttercup yellow flowers.

REVOLUTUM JOHNSONII—From the Oregon Coast. The finest of all Erythroneums. Rose pink flowers, mottled leaves.

All stock offered subject to prior sale.

Non-Warranty—All stock guaranteed true to name. Aside from this we make no warranty, express or implied, as to productiveness or any other matter in connection with seeds or bulbs sold by us. Goods not accepted under these terms must be returned immediately.

Terms—Cash with order.

Shipment—All bulbs prepaid to points in U. S. and Canada. Foreign customers add 5 per cent to amount of order. Seeds sent postpaid anywhere.

Time—Unless otherwise specified, bulbs will be shipped at digging time in the fall. Many varieties are late in maturing. Shipments will be made at proper time. Plant bulbs immediately after arrival. Do not allow them to dry out by exposure to the air.

Six bulbs sold at the dozen rate.

BRITISH CUSTOMERS NOTE

50c = approx. 2/0

\$1.00 = approx. 4/0

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