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Rare and Exotic Gladiolus

FOR 1930

KINDLY NOTE

All stock offered in this catalog is available at time of going to press. Many varieties will sell out quickly. An early selection is advised.

I do not substitute, but will appreciate a short list of varieties acceptable as second choice, especially if order is sent after March 1st.

Every effort is made to avoid mistakes and to keep stock 100% true to name. If an error occurs, it will be rectified. If a bulb is not true to name, it will be replaced.

The corms I offer are grown scientifically and are of the highest quality possible, regardless of where grown or the price asked for them. Each bulb and bulblet is carefully selected, and large bulbs are stamped with my "Certified" trade-mark.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED—

All prices are per large bulb—that is, $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch or over. It should be noted, however, that a very few varieties, particularly among the blues, and a few smoky shades, do not produce extremely large bulbs; also, the bulbs may be without husks, but this does not affect their growth.

Nearly all varieties are available in half size bulbs, averaging one inch, at $\frac{2}{3}$ of catalog prices for large bulbs.

Third size bulbs, one-half inch or larger, at $\frac{1}{3}$ price of large bulbs.

Twelve or more bulblets at price of one large bulb.

Where the price of large bulb is 50c or more, bulblets may be had a $\frac{1}{9}$ th the price of a large bulb, for each bulblet wanted.

I fill orders very generously; customers always have a pleasant surprise when the orders arrive.

NOTE:—Imported varieties can be supplied only if they have been released by the F. H. B.

TERMS

Cash with order, or a 25% deposit, if order amounts to \$5.00 or over. Balance March 15th, 1930, or order will be sent C. O. D. Everything sent prepaid.

Orders accepted for any amount; if order totals less than \$1.50, add 15c extra for packing and postage.

All stock is offered subject to previous sale, or to loss for reasons beyond my control.

This year I shall send with each order, a new variety for trial; one that is not listed as yet but will be worth having. Size of stock sent and its value will depend on the size of the order.

Address all communications to

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NEW INTRODUCTIONS FOR 1930

Aurelia (Phg)—Very tall spike with many large wide-open flowers. Clear yellow with brilliant scarlet throat. Stands out prominently in any collection. Large \$3.00 each; Medium \$1.50; Small .75. Bulblets .40 each, \$3.00 a dozen.

Peter Patten—An extraordinarily beautiful and valuable variety. As early as Cara Mia. Very tall spikes, 5 to 7 large flowers open, milk-white, canary throat. Stock very limited and those who obtain it will be fortunate. Large \$5.00; Medium \$2.50; Small \$1.25. Bulblets .60 each, \$4.50 a dozen.

Pilgrim—Another beautiful and valuable variety. Very early. Tall spike, plenty of large flowers open, pure La France pink, canary throat. Extra fine. Large \$10.00; Medium \$5.00; Small \$2.50. Bulblets \$1.00 each, \$9.00 a dozen.

PREVIOUS INTRODUCTIONS

Cara Mia—One of the most valuable varieties in existence, and the finest early pink to date. Will be in tremendous demand. Earliest bloom, splendid forcer under glass, tall, straight spikes, large flowers, exquisite shade of clear La France pink. Everyone needs and will grow quantities of it. I have many excellent reports from various parts of the country, and it has been included in lists of the "World's Best" by growers who know the gladiolus. This year we cut the first flowers June 29th, from early April planting. This is always the time of year when florists demand every spike at fancy prices. Uniform cropper, all bulbs of a given size and planting, blooming within a short time, just when they are wanted. Up to six spikes from a large bulb. Plenty of people are going to make money growing CARA MIA.

Large, selected bulbs \$2.00 each, \$15.00 a dozen. Medium bulbs \$1.00 each, \$6.00 a dozen. Small bulbs ($\frac{3}{4}$ " up) .50 each, \$4.00 a dozen. Giant bulblets ($\frac{1}{2}$ " or over) .20 each, \$1.50 dozen. Large bulblets .10 each, .75 dozen, \$5.00 a 100, \$40.00 a 1,000.

Mrs. Leo E. Miller—This beautiful variety has given a good account of itself in various part of this and other countries.

The plant is a tall, sturdy grower and good propagator. Flowers are of good size, five to seven open, intensely ruffled. On some spikes the latter flowers to open are perfectly and evenly lacinated. Upper petals salmon-flame, shading to golden yellow on lowers. Heavy, waxy texture. Good seed bearer.

Especially recommended for late cut flowers, and for hybridizing on account of the unusual texture.

Blooming size bulbs should be planted late

for best results. Bulbs under half-inch, and bulblets, should be planted early, to secure greatest increase. A flower of distinction, that is wonderful when used with chrysanthemums.

Large bulbs \$100.00 each. One inch bulbs, \$50.00. Half inch bulbs, \$25.00. Large, extra selected bulblets \$5.00 each, \$50.00 a dozen.

Bouquet Flower—Tall spike, very large, reflexed flowers, white, overlaid blush; faint canary tinge in throat. 6-8 open. Elegantly ruffled. \$1.00 each; bulblets 10c each, \$1.00 a dozen.

Brilliance—Tall spike, extra large, wide-open flowers. Early. Glowing rose pink. Beautiful and fine. Bulbs 50c each; bulblets 25c dozen.

Broadbill—Tall, branched spike, large size. Ivory, throat canary yellow. Bulbs 25c; bulblets 25c dozen.

Canary-Rose—Beautiful, large, wide-open flowers; canary yellow, dull rose feather on lower petals, 6-7 open. A very beautiful flower and fine spike. Bulbs \$2.00; bulblets 35c each.

Dreadnaught—Extra large flowers, perfect placement. Plenty open. Pure salmon, large cream blotch on lower petals. Blue hair-line on all petals. Finely waved and ruffled. Bulbs \$5.00 each; bulblets 50c each.

Halo—Medium-sized flower, straight spike. Golden orange, overlaid golden-salmon and peach. Very brilliant. PH. Bulbs 60c each; bulblets 10c each, \$1.00 a dozen.

Hope—Extra tall spike, flowers five to seven inches across, wide open. White, overlaid palest blush. A very beautiful variety resembling a lily. Will attract attention in any collection. Large bulbs \$3.00; bulblets 25c each.

Pauline Belknap—Very fine, tall spike, and large flower. Glowing salmon-orange, golden-saffron sheen. Very popular. Bulbs \$3.00 each; bulblets 30c each, \$2.50 dozen.

Peach-Amber—Tall spike, 5-7 flowers open. Peach pink, shading to deeper color at the edges. Lower petals amber brown, penciled carmine and lake. An extra-ordinary variety. Bulbs \$1.50 each; bulblets 15c each, \$1.00 a dozen.

Perfect Beauty—Large flowers, perfectly placed. La France pink, slight rosy-purple line on lower petals. A good one. Bulbs \$1.00; bulblets 10c each, \$1.00 a dozen.

Rosita (Ph)—Tall, fine spike, wide-open flowers. Clear rose overlaid cerise, slightly deeper in throat. Very unusual. Bulbs 60c each; bulblets 10c each, 25c a dozen.

Smoky-Rose—Large, light, lilac old-rose with a grayish sheen. Edges of petals lightly flaked slate blue. Narrow purple-rose tongue. Bulbs \$1.00 each; bulblets 10c each, \$1.00 a dozen.