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## "A plague on all your houses"

I make no excuse for repeating Shakespeare's very apt line. What a difficult and curious year this has been. The only beneficiary has been our gardens which have thrived on all the attention. My new South African bed really came into its own with an unbroken succession of flowers, reminding me of happy holidays in the past.

As I write this in mid Nov there are still a few flowers on our wonderful stock of Kniphofia rooperi; they started flowering in August!! Definitely not a small bulbs but a spectacular statement plant for autumn display. I remember seeing many thousands of Kniphofia caulescens in Lesotho where they delight in marshy conditions - sadly no malachite sunbirds to pollinate them here but they always delight in late summer when they erupt into flower almost overnight. (page 9) There they were growing alongside Dieramas (page 6) and this year we have 3 more additions to our collection of these delightful plants.



If you, like me, love the intense colour of Cyclamen hed. 'Red Sky' then you should try C.coum 'Meaden's Crimson' (page 13) which has the same intense hue. We are also listing 4 pre-Christmas flowering snowdrops which will segue

into the true winter ones and finally into spring when hopefully life will begin to return to normal.

Stay well and keep gardening

Christine Skelmersdale



 $\heartsuit$  = those plants given the Award of Garden Merit by the RHS.

Front cover picture: Kniphofia rooperi

The garden and nursery are open to view every weekday (9am - 4pm; £2.50) in aid of the St. Margaret's Somerset Hospice. We have limited seasonal plant sales. We are a working mail order nursery but you may collect your orders in season (please give us advanced notice).

These bulbs are for garden decoration only and should not be eaten.

#### HARDY SOUTH AFRICAN BULBS AND PLANTS

## **AGAPANTHUS** (African Lily)

This is our largest collection growing unprotected in our field. We sell divisions not plugs. They make superb and easy plants for a sunny border. We can only list a handful here. See online or phone us for many more varieties. We have grouped them by height to make choosing easier. All can also be grown in pots if wanted. All are vigorous and free flowering having proved themselves here for thirty years. Larger plants available.



Agapanthus Broadleigh Babe



Agapanthus Bressingham Blue



Agapanthus Midnight Star (Navy Blue)

## **DECIDUOUS VARIETIES**

I. Taller varieties

#### AIMEE

Our own hybrid. Delicate white flowers, each with a pale blue tip. Hardy. *Image page 2* 30" *July* f7.00 each: 3 = f18.00

#### **BRESSINGHAM BLUE**

Vigorous plants producing a mass of intense blue compact heads. Late flowering. 36" Aug – Sep  $\pounds 6.00$  each;  $3 = \pounds 16.00$ 

#### **★** BROADLEIGH BABE

One of our own seedlings this distinct variety produces masses of relatively small flowers of rich deep blue on very upright stems and is much later than most.

3' Aug - Sep £7.00 each; 3 = £18.00

## BUCKINGHAM PALACE

One of the tallest Agapanthus. Masses of small heads of intense blue flowers. 5' Jul - Aug £6.00 each; 3 = £16.00

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★ Dense heads of the most delicious ice blue. Vigorous and free flowering. One of the very best. 36" July £7.00 each; 3 = £18.00

#### **Y** INAPURTUS 'SKY'

Elegant plants, very upright with nodding flowers of a delicious mid blue. Excellent garden plant but also good in pots. 4' August £6.00 each: 3 = £16.00

## MIDNIGHT STAR (Navy Blue)

Large heads of intense deep blue. One of the darkest and always a show winner. 36" Jul – Aug £8.00 each; 3 = £22.00



Agapanthus Snow Shadows

## **▼ ROYAL BLUE**

★ Amazing almost electric blue flowers on upright stems. Star at Wisley trial. 30" Jul – Aug £7.00 each: 3 = £18.00

#### **SNOW SHADOWS**

The white flowers are heavily marked with blue/purple and have dark stems. The whole flowers takes a deep pink tinge as it ages. 4' Jul - Aug £6.00 each; 3 = £16.00

#### **★ WINDSOR GREY**

Huge heads of a beautiful delicate shade of pale blue; definitely not grey!. Superb plant for pots or borders. *Image outside back cover* 4' August £7.00 each; 3 = £18.00



Agapanthus Royal Blue



★ New or re-introduction.



Agapanthus Aimee



Agapanthus inapurtus Sky



Agapanthus Ben Hope



Agapanthus Flower of Love

#### 2. Shorter varieties

#### **BEN HOPE**

The first to flower with us. A short variety producing a mass of mid blue flowers. Ideal for the front of a border.

24" July

£6.00 each; 3 = £16.00

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Difficult to beat for sheer flower power. Masses of tight heads on a compact plant. A good deep blue. Pots or front of border. Flowering size.

24" Jul – Aug £12.00 each

#### $\overline{\mathbb{Y}}$ IONNY'S WHITE

One of our own hybrids with waxy white flowers on stiff stems. Compact and perfect for the front of the border.

18" August £6.00 each; 3 = £16.00

#### LILIPUT

Narrow leaves and masses of tiny deep blue heads.

14" July

£6.00 each; 3 = £16.00

#### **♥ PRETTY SANDY**

★ This compact variety excelled itself in the trial producing an amazing number of soft blue, open flowers on upright stems. Spectacular. 24"

£6.50 each

## SILVER BABY

Although evergreen it is hardy, producing a mass of elegant flowers of the palest silver blue over a long period. Stunning in the trial both in pots and the open ground. Flowering size.

18" August £8.00 each

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The most distinct of the new Agapanthus. Probably hardy but dramatic in a pot. White flowers with a very obvious dark blue base to the petals. Free flowering and modest stature. Flowering size. 24" July-Aug £10.00 each



Agapanthus Jonny's White



Agapanthus Twister



Agapanthus Pretty Sandy



Agapanthus Enigma



Agapanthus Megan's Mauve

## **EVERGREEN VARIETIES** for containers

This is a selection of our evergreen varieties. These are less hardy and require protection from frost, although they are hardy by the sea or in similar sheltered positions. Most produce fewer but much larger heads and have leek like foliage.

### **♥** DOUBLE DIAMOND

Fully double white flowers smother this tiny growing Agapanthus. Best in a pot. 8" July £8.00 each

#### **ENIGMA**

One of the very best. Huge heads of white flowers that have brilliant blue bases. Large plants. 3' August £8.00 each

## **Y** EVERWHITE

Superb new dwarf white for pots. Outstanding in the trial producing masses of beautiful round heads. Flowering size. 24" August £10.00 each

## **FIREWORKS**

Like an evergreen Twister but with dark blue backs and pedicels and larger flower heads. Stunning Flowering size. 24" August £10.00 each

#### **▼ MEGAN'S MAUVE**

Stunning large heads of rich lavender blue. Very beautiful. Large plants. 3-4' July – Aug £8.00 each



Agapanthus Snow Crystal

#### **SILVER MOON**

Nearly deciduous and hardy it is probably best appreciated in a pot. Dramatic silver variegated leaves contrast well with the mid blue flowers. Flowering size. 18" July £12.00 each

## $\mathbb{Y}$ SNOW CRYSTAL

The best white ever. Huge flowers in perfect round heads on tall, upright stems. Outstanding in the trial. Large plants. 4-5' August £12.00 each



Agapanthus Double Diamond



Agapanthus Silver Moon



Agapanthus Fireworks



Agapanthus Ever White

## **AMARYLLIS**

The true outdoor plant! Useful for late autumn display. They are best planted in a warm, sunny border where they can be left undisturbed.

#### **HATHOR**

Large heads of white flowers.
Magnificent. More tender.
18" September.
£15.00 each

## **♥** BELLADONNA

Lovely clusters of pink lily-like flowers on naked stems. 18" Sep — Nov £5.50 each



Amaryllis belladonna

## **AMARINE**

These fabulous hybrids between Amaryllis and Nerine are summer growing producing huge heads of trumpet like flowers. They need a very sunny sheltered situation where they receive as much sun as possible on the bulbs. Plant just below the soil. Hardy to -10C Summer dormant. Fabulous cut flowers. Large bulbs!

#### **APHRODITE**

Clusters of large delicate very pale pink, lily-like flowers each with a darker central stripe. 30" Sep - Oct £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

#### **ANASTASIA**

Clusters of intense pink lily-like flowers on naked stems.  $30^{\circ}$  Sep – Oct £5.00 each: 3 = £13.75

#### **BELLADIVA**

Large mid pink flowers. Very floriferous. 30'' Sep – Oct 3 = £10.00



Amarine Aphrodite



Amarine belladiva

#### **EMANUELLE**

Very pale pink almost white flowers with a darker central stripe. 30" Sep - Oct £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Amarine Anastasia



Amarine Emanuelle

#### **★** TOMAKO.

We have a few of this early form with intense deep pink flowers 30" September £7.00 each



## **ALBUCA**

Easy S African bulbs for cold glass.

#### **SHAWII**

Elegant stems of small nodding yellow flowers. They flower all summer and make an unusual container plant. Keep dry and frost free in winter. 24" Jul – Oct 3 = £6.00

#### \* SPECIES

We have never had a name for this spring flowering species that always starred in our Chelsea exhibit. Traditional nodding yellow flowers of much substance.

24'' May 3 = £6.00

## **CROCOSMIA**

Once included under Montbretia, these modern cultivars have much larger, showier flowers. They appreciate a little humus on planting and prefer shade for at least part of the day. They do not flower well in hot dry conditions or deep shade. Excellent for extending the season into late summer. Lift and divide regularly to avoid non flowering congested clumps.

#### **CANARY BIRD**

We found a stock of this lovely deep golden Crocosmia in a local garden. Although we know no more of its history than its name, it is a very fine plant. 24" Jul – Aug 10 = £8.00

#### **COLUMBUS**

A fabulous new and distinct crocosmia. Large rich gold flowers with a showy dark brown calyx. It really stood out in our trial of new cultivars. Late flowering. 30" Aug – Sep 5 = £6.00

#### **MIXED**

Vigorous varieties, our choice. Named details online. 10 = £5.00

#### CONSTANCE

A showy hybrid producing an endless succession of large, clear orange-red flowers. Vigorous. One of the best. 30'' Aug – Sep 5 = £6.00



Crocosmia Canary Bird



Crocosmia Paul's Best Yellow



An intense velvety red version of Lucifer. A superb new cultivar and just as easy.

3' Jul – Aug

6.00 each

## abla LIMPOPO

Another of the new showy cultivars with large heads of pinkish orange flowers held well above the leaves. 24'' Jul - Sep 5 = £6.00

## **▼ LUCIFER**

The brilliant flame-red flowers make this variety a 'must' in the summer flower border. The earliest of the hybrids so far. Superb cut flower. 36" Jun – Jul 3 = £4.00

## **PAUL'S BEST YELLOW**

Arching sprays of large clear lemon-yellow flowers. Quite outstanding. Not too tall. Very early. 24'' Jun - Jul 5 = £6.00



Crocosmia Hell Fire



Crocosmia Constance

#### PRINCE OF ORANGE

A fabulous new and distinct crocosmia. The large wide open flowers are carried in an upright spike rather than on the normal arching stem. A sumptuous orange-red with a golden eye. Late flowering. 30'' Aug – Sept 3 = £4.00

#### **RED KING**

Masses of deep red flowers on dark stems. Good to add drama to a border. 3' August 10 = £8.00

#### **ZAMBESI**

Fabulous new hybrid with arching stems of widely flaring flowers. Pale salmon orange with a deeper central stripe. Difflicult to describe but very different. Few. 30" Aug – Oct £5.00 each

#### \* ZEAL TAN

A useful short, late flowering crocosmia with large fiery orangered flowers on dark stems. 24" Aug – Sep 3 = £6.00



Crocosmia Zeal Tan



Crocosmia Columbus



Crocosmia Zambesi



Crocosmia Limpopo



Crocosmia Red King



Crocosmia Lucifer



Dierama Barr Hybrids

## **DIERAMA**(Angel's Fishing Rod)

A beautiful genus; normally very tall arching spikes ending in hanging bells. Evergreen and clump forming. Well drained soil in full sun. Beautiful arching over a path. Do not be tempted to plant by a pond unless they are well above water level.

#### **BARR HYBRIDS**

Over the years D. pumila and D. pulcherrimum have hybridised here to produce a lovely free flowering intermediate plant. The colour is very variable from palest lilac to salmon-pink and purple. Mixed colours only. 3-4' Jun - Jul 3=£8.00

#### **★ DRACOMONTANUM** (pumila)

The dwarf dierama from the Drakensberg Mts. Large salmon pink flowers on upright stems. 24" June £4.00 each

#### **IGNEUM**

Slender arching wands of unusual pale salmon flowers above neat clumps of leaves. Sells on sight. Dwarf. 30" Jun – Jul £4.00 each



Dierama Midnight Fairy



Dierama pendula

#### **MIDNIGHT FAIRY**

We are gradually building up our "Fairy" range of Dieramas. This handsome one has brick red flowers. 3-4' Jun - Jul £5.00 each; 3=£13.75

#### **SUGAR PLUM FAIRY**

Another of our seedlings with soft pale pink flowers and delicate silver bracts. A beautiful, graceful plant. 4' July £4.00 each; 3 = £11.00

#### **PENDULA**

Vigorous young plants. Colours vary from white to pale pink but pot luck only. Flared flowers carried well above the narrow leaves.

4' lun – lul

3 = £8.00



Dierama Perky



Dierama Sugar Plum Fairy



Dierama trichorhizum

#### PERKY

Unlike most this has outward facing flowers of deep salmon pink with a dark maroon eye – it really looks at you. Our own very distinct seedling. 30" Jun – Jul £5.00 each

#### **★ TRICHORHIZUM**

This distinct dierama has the wonderful common name of Hairy Rooted Wandflower! It has distinctly veined flowers of soft lilac with silver bracts.  $3-4^{\circ}$  July 3=68.00

#### **★ WHITE EYES**

Another of our own hybrids. Relatively dwarf plants with outward facing flowers of pink with a distinct white eye. 30" July £5.00 each



Dierama White Eyes



Dierama dracomontanum



**Eucomis Sparkling Burgundy** 

## **EUCOMIS** (Pineapple flower)

These easy and unusual late summer flowering bulbs are becoming increasingly popular. They are full hardy surviving -20°C. Plant at least 6" deep. The shorter ones are excellent in large pots. I just pop mine into the garage for the winter and re-pot each spring. Feed and water well for best results.

#### **AUTUMNALIS** (zambesiaca)

A dwarf species with apple-green foliage and white flowers. Excellent for shallow pans and front of sunny borders. 12" Aug – Sep 3 = £7.00

#### **BICOLOR**

Large compact spikes of pale green, maroon-tipped flowers above broad leaves. Spectacular long lasting seed heads.

Pots or garden.

14" Aug – Sep

3 = f10.00



Eucomis pole-evansii



Eucomis Leia and bicolor

#### Ÿ LEIA

A superb new dwarf hybrid just like an intense reddish pink E. autumnalis. Excellent in pots. 10" Aug – Sep £6.00 each: 3 = £16.50

## Ÿ NANI

Another star of the recent trial. Soft apple blossom pink flowers in profusion. Perfect for containers. Best lifted after flowering. 14" Jul - Aug £5.50 each; 3 = £15.15

## POLE-EVANSII (pallidflora)

The giant of the genus – a bulb that almost looks you in the eye! Towering 10 inch wide spikes of creamy-green flowers. Unlikely to flower the first year but well worth the wait. Plant deeply. Huge bulbs. 5' Aug – Sep £8.00 each

## SPARKLING BURGUNDY

Bold spikes of pale pink flowers with attractive rich purple leaves. A handsome plant and one of the best. 24" Aug – Oct £9.00 each



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Eucomis Nani



Crinum x powellii album

## **CRINUM**

Plant in full sun with the neck of the bulb above the soil. They will look dreadful in the winter but resist the temptation to tidy up until the new leaves start to poke through in the spring.

#### S MOOREI

The parent of the well known C. x powellii for a sheltered spot. Tall stems with huge widely flaring flowers of the palest pink. Their scent can fill the whole garden. Slow but worth the wait. 3' Sep — Oct £7.00 each

#### x POWELLII

Heads of deep pink flowers. Forms large clumps in time. 3-4' Aug — Sep £6.00 each

## $\mathbf{Y}$ x POWELLII ALBUM

The huge bulb produces large clusters of long leaves and a succession of white, trumpet shaped flowers in mid-summer. Clump forming – my enormous one produced 26 stems this year! 3-4' Aug – Sep £6.00 each; 3=£16.50



Crinum x powellii



Gladiolus callianthus (acidanthera)

## **GLADIOLUS** -**SPECIES**

We are concentrating on increasing our range of the delightful species. Most are hardy, and have a grace and charm absent in many of the modern hybrids.

#### $\mathbf{Y}$ MURIELIAE (acidanthera)

Spikes of strongly scented, spectacular white flowers with a crimson blotch, on wiry stems. The correct name for an old favourite. Excellent for late colour as well as scent. Good in pots or borders. Large bulbs. 36" Seb - Nov 20 = £6.00; 50 = £14.00

#### **DAVID HILLS (papilio)**

This is a beautiful reasonably hardy gladiolus with dramatic slightly hooded flowers of glowing orangered and a conspicuous yellow throat. Stoloniferous. 24" Jul - Aug £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Gladiolus David Hills



Gladiolus Ruby

#### 'RUBY' (papilio)

This fabulous new hardy gladiolus has the depth of colour of a modern gladiolus combined with the stoloniferous habit of its species parent. Deep ruby red. 36" Jul - Sep £5.00 each



## **TRITONIA**

Long confused with crocosmia these like a drier sunny position. Late summer flowering. Good with grasses.

#### **DISTICA RUBROLUCENS**

Masses of delicate salmon-pink flowers on branched, wiry stems. 36" Aug - Sep 5 = £5.00



## **HESPERANTHUS**

(Schizostylis)

A renamed favourite and much easier to pronounce. Easy late summer-autumn flowering rhizomatous plants for moist soil full sun.

#### T IENNIFER

One of the best with large clear pink flowers with no hint of salmon. Bred locally and introduced by us. 30" Aug – Oct 3 = £6.00

#### SUNRISE

Large deep pink flowers. 30" Aug – Oct 3 = f6.00

#### **ZEAL SALMON**

Superb Devon hybrid with large deep salmon flowers 30" Aug - Oct 3 = £6.00



Galtonia candicans

## **GALTONIA**

(Summer Hyacinth)

Excellent mid-late summer flowering bulbs from South Africa, requiring a well drained soil in full sun. Superb mixed with feathery flowers such as Gypsophylla, mixed with Agapanthus or in the wild plantings in the Olympic Park.

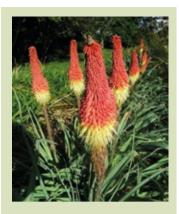
## **♥** CANDICANS

Widely spaced, sweetly scented large white bells on a tallish stem.

4' lul - Seb 5 = £7.00

#### **VIRIDIFLORA**

Spikes of pale green flowers. 3' July 3 = f | 1.00



## **KNIPHOFIA**

## (Red Hot Poker)

These have long been a favourite of mine for their extended period of flowering. They are an excellent foil for crocosmias (q.v.). Plant in full sun in a soil that is not waterlogged in winter.

## **T** CAULESCENS

★ This plant never fails to amaze me. The cream flowers open from red buds. They suddenly erupt from the mounds of grey leaves in late summer-autumn. Huge plants!
3′ Sep − Oct
£10.00 each

## **♥** ROOPERI

The last to flower with huge, fat heads of deep orange. Protect from excessive winter wet. Huge plants!
5' Sep — Oct
68.00 each





Tulbaghia violacea

## **TULBAGHIA**

A clump-forming member of the lily family for a warm, sheltered spot and ideal as a conservatory plant. Flowers in succession for months. We supply good sized clumps.

### abla s natalensis

Very free, spring flowering short species producing a mass of orange centred creamy white flowers with a strong almond scent. Excellent in a pan. Keep dryish in winter.

12" Apr – May
£3.50 each 3 = £9.70

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Clumps of narrow grey-green leaves and graceful heads of slender tubular flowers of soft violet all summer. 24" Jun - Oct £3.50 each 3 = £9.70

#### **VIOLACEA 'PALLIDA'**

As easy as the species but with very pale, almost white flowers. 24" Jun - Oct3 = £6.00



Tulbaghia natalensis



Tulbaghia violacea Purple Eye

## **♥ VIOLACEA 'PURPLE EYE'**

Pale lilac with a dark eye; a distinct hybrid with narrow leaves. It smothers itself in flowers all summer. Perfect for a patio pot. Hardy. Potted. 14" Summer £5.00 each

## Y VIOLACEA 'SILVER LACE'

The lavender pink flowers are a good foil for the strongly silver-variegated leaves. Excellent subject for a pot. 24" Jun – Oct £3.50 each 3 = £9.70

## **WATSONIA**

Related to Crocosmia but almost evergreen. Hardy here.

#### **BORBONICA**

Outward facing pink flowers in a tall, congested spike. A very handsome plant.

4' Jul - Aug£5.00 each 3 = £13.75





Nerine bowdenii 'Bianca Perla'



Nerine bowdenii 'Isabel'



Nerine 'Lipstick'

## **NERINE** (Autumn Lily)

We have gradually been expanding our range of these stalwarts of the autumn garden. One of the joys of autumn is the sight of an established clump of nerines in full flower. The bowdenii forms are the hardiest preferring a sunny spot. They are perfect at the base of a wall where they should be allowed to form large congested clumps. Only divide them when the bulbs push themselves right out of the ground and they stop flowering. The other varieties are hardy in frost free areas but make easy pot plants.



#### BOWDENII 'FAVOURITE'

The new name for an old favourite. The bulbs produce a flower stem with one rather loose umbel of up to eight pink flowers. Plant against a sunny wall and leave to clump.

24" Seb - Oct. 3 = £4.00; 10 = £12.50



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Large heads of glistening white flowers. Probably needs a little more protection than the type. 24" October £3.00 each; 3 = £8.35



Nerine bowdenii 'Favourite'

#### BOWDENII 'ISABEL'

Bright cerise pink flowers dusted with silver. Similar in colour to Zeal Giant but smaller, Excellent, Early, 24" Seb - Oct 3 = £7.00

#### **BOWDENII 'MARK FENWICK'**

Free flowering with classic pink flowers from dark petioles and stems. 24" Sep - Oct £4.00 each: 3 = £11.00

#### **BOWDENII 'MOLLY COWIE'**

A standard N bowdenii but with a silver edge to the leaves. From the original Orkney stock 24" Seb - Oct 3 = £7.00



Nerine 'Glacier'

#### **♥** BOWDENII 'PATRICIA'

Sometimes listed as Stefani, Palest pink flowers. Increasing well. Deserves its new AGM. 18" Seb - Oct 3 = £5.00

#### **ELEGANCE**

A magnificent new hybrid with huge, deep salmon pink flowers on stiff stems. Hardy in a sheltered position and fabulous cut flower. 30" October £5.00 each: 3 = £13.75

#### 'GLACIER' (Gletsier)

A superb Nerine bred for the cut flower market. Huge glistening white flowers. Hardy in a sheltered situation, 30" October £5.00 each: 3 = £13.75

#### 'LIPSTICK'

Who dipped the buds of a white nerine in shocking pink lipstick? Very distinctive and dramatic, 18" October £6.00 each: 3 = £16.50

#### **CURVIFOLIA**

Late flowering species with distinct curved leaves. The salmon-cerise flowers open from dark red buds. Keep frost free. 14" November. 3 = £15.00



Nerine 'Elegance'



Nerine 'Hera'

#### **FEXUOSA ALBA**

Although only hardy in the most sheltered gardens it makes an attractive and easy pot plant for cold glass. Tight heads of pure white, crimped flowers above neat apple green leaves. 18" Oct – Nov  $3 = \pounds 12.00$ 

#### **FILIMENTOSA**

We can spare a few of this, one of my favourites. Always the first to flower, this virtually evergreen species has grass like leaves and delicate frilled flowers on hairy stems. Cold glass. 12'' Aug – Sep 3= £15.00

#### "HERA" (flexuosa)

Amazingly floriferous with compact heads of rich pink flowers. Probably hardy, it make a fabulous pot plant for cold glass. Late flowering. 24" November 5 = f5.00



Nerine sarniensis



Nerine bowdenii 'Patricia'

#### 'MR JOHN'

An extraordinary hybrid with almost blue-purple, cerise flowers. More tender than some.

18'' Sep - Oct £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

#### **GLEN SAVAGE (sarnienesis)**

Although not hardy they make easy and dramatic pot plants for cold glass. Keep dry in summer. Small heads of an intense glowing orange-red. 14" October £6.00 each

## ★ SARNIENSIS 'CORUSCA MAJOR' (Guernsey lily)

Although not hardy this makes an easy and dramatic pot plant for greenhouse of conservatory. Large intense orange-red flowers appear before the blue-green leaves. Summer dormant.

14" Sep — Oct
£6.00 each



Nerine flexuosa Alba



Nerine 'Mr John'

## **▼ UNDULATA 'SEATON'**

A superb form producing 2 or more stems per bulb. The flowers are a deeper pink with dark buds. Hardy in sheltered gardens.

14'' Oct - Nov3 = £12.00



Nerine curvifolia



Nerine undulata in Helen Dillon's garden

#### OTHER BULBS AND PLANTS FOR SPRING PLANTING

This is just a selection of other plants and bulbs that we grow. Please see online or call for more varieties.

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## **ACIS**

#### **▼ AUTUMNALIS** (Leucojum autumnale)

Has two or three bell-shaped flowers of white tinged with pink. Best planted in a sunny position, such as a rock garden, or at the base of a tree. 6" Aug - Sep 5 = £6.00

## **ANEMONE**

#### **SYLVESTRIS** (Snowdrop Anemone)

Large fragrant white flowers above clumps of well-divided leaves over a long period. Best in a cool, semishady position.

12" May - Sep £6.00 each





## **ASTRANTIA**

#### **MAIOR**

A stalwart for the front of the border. Large pink flushed shaggy white flowers all summer. 24" Summer £5.00 each

#### SUNNINGDALE

Mounds of stunning gold variegated leaves. Pale flowers. 24" lun - Seb £6.00 each

## CAMPANULA

Easy plants for a sunny border, each producing a succession of large, showy flowers all summer.

#### **♥** KENT BELLE

An amazing plant which produces a succession of intense, violet-blue nodding flowers all summer. Clump forming.

24 - 30" Iul - Oct £4.50 each: 3 = £12.00





## **ALSTROEMERIA**

#### **PSITTACINA 'ROYAL STAR'** (Variegated)

Mounds of cream variegated leaves all summer suddenly produce tall stems of maroon and green flowers in late summer. 18" Jul - Aug £5.00 per pot

## **ANTHERICUM**

## **▼ LILIAGO MAJOR**

## (St Bernard's Lily)

A striking plants with spikes of large white, sweetly scented flowers. £6.00 each

#### **RAMOSUM PLUMOSUM** (Tricopetalum)

Clumps of narrow grass like leaves topped by clouds of white star-like flowers on well branched stems. A delightful plant and easy in full sun. 24" May – Jun £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Anthericum liliago Major

## **CYCLAMEN**

Hardy Cyclamen in general are far better planted as growing plants than as dormant bulbs. Due to the fragility of their leaf stalks we prefer to despatch late in their growing season when they are naturally dying back. All tubers are dug daily for immediate despatch. All Cyclamen require a humusrich soil that is well drained.

### **♥** CILICIUM

A delightful, delicate species for dry shade. Shell-pink flowers and marbled leaves. Seeds here under our yew. 3'' Oct - Nov 3 = £13.00

## $\nabla$ coum

This excellent, hardy winter-flowering cyclamen will slowly spread to give a carpet of colour under trees or shrubs. Pink flowers. 4" Dec - Mar 3 = £13.00

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Stunning coum hybrid with silver leaves and pure white flowers, occasionally blushed palest pink at first. 4" Dec – Mar £5.50 each

#### \* COUM 'MEADEN'S CRIMSON'

A superb selected form with intense dark pink flowers and well marked leaves.

4" Dec – Mar £6.00 each

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Almost completely silver leaves and flowers in shades of carmine.

4" Jan – Mar
£5.50 each



Cyclamen coum Pewter



Cyclamen hederifolium

### $\Upsilon$ HEDERIFOLIUM (neapolitanum)

The mainstay for autumn-flowering. Finely marked variegated leaves with a mass of pink flowers. Should be planted Ift apart in a dry situation with dappled or even full shade. Makes huge tubers! 4'' Aug - Oct 3 = £13.00

#### **HEDERIFOLIUM 'RED SKY'**

The most fabulous form we have ever seen. Deep, almost blood red flowers.

4" Aug - Oct £7.00 each

## HEDERIFOLIUM 'SILVER CLOUD'

#### **♥ PSEUDIBERICUM**

A very beautiful, large, violetcarmine flower. Strongly marbled leaves with red underneath. 5" Feb – Mar £5.50 each



Cyclamen hederifolium 'Red Sky'



Eranthis hyemalis

## **ERANTHIS** in growth (Winter Aconite)

Please note that towards the end of our packing season they are beginning to die back but this is normal and they will grow just as well. They require a well-drained spot under trees and should be left undisturbed.

## Y HYEMALIS

The common Winter Aconite with deep green hand-shaped leaves and bright yellow flowers.

3" February

5 = £5.00; 20 = £18.00

#### **★ SCHWEFELGLANZ**

Large flowers of pale straw yellow. Very distinct. Will seed true. 3" February £9.00 each



Eranthis Schwefelglanz

## **GALANTHUS** (Snowdrops) in growth

Snowdrops are well known to be another plant which resents being dried out and, therefore, prefers to be moved in growth in the spring. Plant the bulbs, preferably in small clumps, 3" to 4" deep and 3" apart under ornamental trees and shrubs. Avoid manure at all costs! See online for many more.



One of the finest snowdrops, with tall, stately flowers. Exceptionally vigorous, increasing well. Early 8'' Jan - Feb 3 = £10.00: 10 = £30.00

#### \* ATHENAE

We have grown this early flowering snowdrop for more than 40 years. Although the flowers are not large it makes good sized clumps, starting to flower in November continuing right through to Christmas. Height: 5" Nov — Dec £15.00 each

#### **S BRENDA TROYLE**

A very attractive fragrant snowdrop. Large outer segments rounded and blunt, inner ones heart-shaped and deeply marked. 8" February

3 = £13.50

#### **COLOSSUS**

This really lives up to its name. A superb early flowering bulb with plicate leaves and large flowers. Often out for Christmas. 9" Dec – Jan £9.00 each

#### **★ ELWESII HIEMALIS**

A fine Christmas flowering form with a single mark on the large flowers and typical grey foliage. 8" Dec-Jan £8.00 each; 3 = £22.00



Galanthus Atkinsii

#### **GALATEA**

A handsome snowdrop. The very large flowers are held at an angle on the long, kinked pedicel, similar in habit to Magnet. Early and increases well.

8" February £6.00 each; 3 = £16.90

#### **GREEN BRUSH**

A sturdy snowdrop with waxy petals - the outer ones having a bold green mark. It is the best of the green marked *G.elwesii*.

7" February £15.00 each

#### HIPPOLYTA

To my mind the best of the tall doubles. Beautifully formed large double flowers. 9" February £9.00 each

#### **LADY B STANLEY**

An unusual double with short, broad grey leaves. The flowers have 2 tiny green marks at the base clearly visible between the relatively narrow outer segments of the rather claw-like flowers. 5" Feb £8.00 each; 3 = £22.00

#### abla MAGNET

The large flowers are held away from the stems on exceptionally long pedicels. They open wide & seem to dance in the slightest wind. I call it the 'ballerina snowdrop'. 7" February £6.00 each; 3 = £16.90



Galanthus Athenae



Galanthus Rowan Russell



Galanthus S. Arnott



Galanthus Lady B Stanley



Galanthus Magnet



Galanthus Green Brush



Galanthus Galates



#### The common Snowdrop

Found over a wide area of Europe. Excellent for naturalising. 4½" February 10 = £4.00; 50 = £18.25; 100 = £35.00

#### **NIVALIS FLORE PLENO**

The double form of nivalis. Not found so often but makes a lovely display.  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " February 10 = £5.00; 50 = £20.00

#### **OPHELIA**

Although the flowers are not perhaps the largest it is the first of the large flowered Greatorex doubles, flowering early in the New Year. It is very reliable and increases well. 9" Dec - Jan  $\pounds 6.00$  each;  $3 = \pounds 16.90$ 

## **▼ PLICATUS**

A late flowering species with distinctive folded leaves. Seeds freely here under our large chestnut tree. 6" February  $3 = f_10.00$ 

## **▼ REGINAE-OLGAE**

Rarely offered autumn flowering form from Greece. Plant in a well drained sunny situation. Few. 4" Oct – Nov f. 16.00 each

## **★ REGINAE OLGAE** 'CAMBRIDGE'

Slightly earlier and larger than the above. 5" October £20.00 each



Galanthus Hippolyta

#### **ROWAN RUSSELL**

This handsome G.elwesii cultivar has very large flowers with elegant pointed flowers held well above the leaves making striking clumps. The inner segment is completely green. Broad grey leaves. One of the last to flower. Huge bulbs. 10" February £25.00

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S One of the best and boldest of the snowdrops, with rounded bell-shaped scented flowers.

8" February
3 = £14.50

#### WENDY'S GOLD

A handsome yellow marked plicatus which is very distinct. We find it more vigorous than most yellows. Few. 7" February £22.00 each



Galanthus Wendy's Gold



Galanthus Reginae-Olgae



Iris unguicularis

## **WINTER IRIS**

## **Ÿ UNGUICULARIS** (stylosa)

Winter Iris. Fragrant bright lilac flowers with darker markings all winter. It appreciates a warm sun-baked corner and will stand very poor soil. 12" Nov - Mar£4.50 each; 3 = £12.00

#### **UNGUICULARIS SPECIOSA**

This winter flowering iris came from Norman Haddon 40 years ago. He collected it in N Africa. Masses of deep blue flowers and narrower leaves. 12" Nov – Mar £6.00 each

## **□** LAZICA

A stylosa iris from N Turkey, best grown in dry shade! Narrow blue flowers. 8" Feb – Mar £7.00 each

#### **PELOPONNESE SNOW**

A small Greek form with narrow leaves and slender white flowers with a blue mark on the falls. Delightful. Requires a warm situation. 8" Jan – Mar £8.00 each



Iris Peloponnese Snow



Iris biliottii

## **SPECIES IRIS**

Most of our extensive collection of dwarf and intermediate bearded Iris will be found online.

#### ATTICA (bearded)

A tiny bearded iris from Greece. Makes tight clumps covered in rich purple flowers. Dry sunny spot. 4" April 3 = £10.00

#### **BILIOTTII** (bearded)

One of the graveyard iris of eastern Turkey. Delicate blue purple flowers with dark falls. 30" May 3 = £10.00

## **□ LANGPORT WREN (bearded)**

Fabulous intermediate iris. Deep black-red with a brown beard. Perfect foil for Tulip Queen of Night. 18" April 3 = £10.00

#### **NEW IDEA** (miniature tall bearded)

One of the new race of bearded iris. Although only 14" tall it has up to 4 perfect miniature flowers scattered up the stem. A gentle mix of purple shades. Absolutely delightful. Easy plants for a dry sunny bed, top of wall or rock garden. 14" Apr – May 3 = £10.00



Iris attica

#### PALLIDA (bearded)

This is one of the ancestors of all our spectacular modern bearded iris but sometimes the simplest flowers are still the best. Beautiful, pure sky blue flowers above glaucous foliage.

£4.00 each; 3 = £11.00

#### SURPRISE (bearded)

A showy intermediate iris with large heads of ruffled flowers. Lemon standards and white falls. Very floriferous.

14" Abril 3 = f10.00

#### **ENSATA** (Japanese water iris)

The huge blue, purple and white flowers have the most amazing patterns and swirls on them. They do not need to be in water although they can be inundated in the winter. We grow them in ordinary garden soil. Ī8" June

£5.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Iris Langport Wren



Iris ensata

#### SPURIA

These dramatic iris are the tallest of the family, flowering in early summer. The large flowers are produced in 'layers'. Moist soil in full sun. Mixed colours. 4' lune £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Iris spuria



Iris New Idea



Iris pallida

#### "DEEP VELVET" (sibirica)

We seem to have lost the label for this dramatic iris. Large, intense purple flowers making showy clumps. 30" June £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

#### **DAWN WALTZ** (sibirica)

A superb form with ruffled flowers in a wonderful mix of soft blue and lavender. Later flowering. 30" July £6.00 each

## MOON SILK (sibirica)

Lovely open white flowers with pale lemon falls. Slightly shorter than most. 24" July £6.00 each

## **SILVER EDGE** (sibirica)

The large blue flowers have a distinctive silver rim. Striking in my dry stream garden here. 30" June 45.00 each; 3 = £13.75



Iris Surprise



Iris 'Sparkling Rose'

#### SPARKLING ROSÉ (sibirica)

Large rich pink flowers. A good foil for the blues. 30" June £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

#### WHITE DWARF (sibirica)

Sadly I have lost the name for this delightful dwarf sibirica which I have grown for decades. It is smothered with pure white flowers. 8" June £5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

#### ★ WHITE SWIRL (sibrica)

The best tall white. Free flowering 30" June £6.00 each



Iris White Dwarf



Iris 'Deep Velvet'



Iris Moon Silk



Iris Dawn Waltz



Iris 'Silver Edge'



Paeonia cambessedesii



Paeonia mascula

## **PAEONIA**

Easy, long lived plants but seed raised and slow to grow. The single flowered species peonies have a special charm. Best in part shade. These are flowering size plants.

## **♥** CAMBESSEDESII

This dwarf peony always sell on sight. Soft pink flowers above distinctive leaves. It is one of the first to flower and does best in a sheltered position. Flowering size plants.

18" April

18" April £15.00 each

#### **MASCULA**

We have a few large flowering sized divisions of one of my large plants. Large single flowers of deep pink above handsome leaves. Easy. 18" May – Jun £8.00 each

#### **OFFICIONALIS**

Large single mid pink flowers over divided leaves. The old apothecaries' female peony. 18" June f 10.00 each

## MLOKOSEWITSCHII (Molly the witch)

The famous yellow peony with tissue paper flowers.

18" May

£ 18.00 each

#### **TENUIFOLIA**

This is probably the most distinct of all peonies. It makes a mound of fantastically dissected leaves - up to 50 segments in a mature plant, topped by bright red single flowers. Good drainage is essential.

*16" June* £15.00 each





Lilium Casa Blanca



Paeonia officionalis



Paeonia tenuifolia

## **LILIES**

Lilies require a fertile well-drained soil with an uninterrupted supply of moisture while they are growing. They should be planted 6"-8" deep.

#### **☑** CASA BLANCA

Huge white outward-facing flowers with a hint of green in the centre. Excellent in pots and quite magnificent. Acid soil. 4' August

3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00



Primula vulgaris Taigetos

## **PRIMULA**

These well known plants are easy to grow in any soil. Shade tolerant. Divide regularly for best results.

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#### (Common Primrose)

Needs no introduction this is an essential for the early spring garden in sun or light shade.

4" Jan – Apr

3 = £7.00

## **VULGARIS 'TAIGETOS'**

Our dramatic introduction that was first collected in Greece many years ago and has proved itself a magnificent garden plant. The pure white flowers completely swamp the plants. Early flowering, usually well before Christmas. Sterile. 5" Dec – Mar

3 = £10.00

## PARADISIA (St Bruno's Lily)

Easy clump forming perennial for sun. Similar to Anthericum.

#### LUSITANICA

Dramatic tall spikes of white trumpet flowers with conspicuous gold stamens. 24" June £5.00each: 3 = £13.75

Paradisia lusitanica

## POLYGONATUM (Solomon Seal)

Clump forming plants for shade

#### **GRACE BARKER**

A compact Solomon's Seal with arching branches of handsome gold variegated leaves. Typical hanging creamy flowers. Good to lighten a dark corner. 18" May 3 = £7.00

#### \* ODRATUM

A dwarf form of Solomon Seal forming neat clumps in shade.

14" Spring
3 = f7.00

#### VERTICILLATUM

Very distinct with whorls of narrow leaves on upright stems. White hanging flowers followed by red berries. Very vigorous forming large patches in light shade. A rare British native. 3' June 3 = f7.00



Polygonatum verticillatum



Polygonatum Grace Barker

## Now for something completely different

#### ★ SINNINGIA TUBIFLORA S (hardy gloxinia)

Mounds of soft grey leaves and glorious lemon scented white tubular flowers in mid summer. Grow tubers in pots in full sun. Keep pots dry in cold, unheated glasshouse during winter. Best when undisturbed and pot bound. I4"Jul - Aug 3 tubers = £5.00





Trillium grandiflorum flore pleno



Roscoea alpina



Roscoea Raw silk

## TRILLIUM

(Wood Lily)

#### **CHROROPETALUM**

This magnificent form is probably more correctly *T.kurabayashi* but whatever it is, it is very vigorous with large intense red upright flowers. Divisions. *I 4" April £8.00* each

## **GRANDIFLORUM** (Wake Robin)

Extremely beautiful showy snow-white flowers becoming rose with age. Divisions of a vigorous clone. *15" April* £6.00 each

## GRANDIFLORUM FLORE PLENO

We can spare a few divisions of this highly desirable trillium. Slowly forms showy clumps of very double white flowers. 12" April £20.00 each

## **ROSCOEA**

Easy, trouble free plants for light shade producing their orchid like flowers all summer. The tubers should be planted deeply and mulched in winter in cold districts. Leave undisturbed to make large clumps.

#### **ALPINA**

Tiny clumps of slender leaves and small pink and white flowers all summer. Perfect for light shade. 6" Jul – Aug 3 = £5.00

## **▼** AURICULATA

Intense purple flowers produced all summer. Good foliage plant with neat mounds of green leaves.  $18^{\rm u}\,{\rm Jul-Sep}$ 

3 = £7.00

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An easy species with a long flowering period. Succession of large yellow flowers with purple flashes. 12'' Jul - Aug 3 = f.10.00

#### **Y** 'HARVINGTON RAW SILK'

The dark red buds give rise to a succession of large pale yellow flowers that smother the plant. 12'' Jul - Aug 3 = £15.00

#### \* HUMEANA 'BROADLEIGH MOONLIGHT'

Our own selection from humeana with very large pale cream flowers. Distinct and free flowering. 8" Jun - Jul 3 = £15.00

#### **HUMEANA PURPLE**

Broad, almost horizontal, leaves and large, hooded, rich-purple flowers. One of the best. Dwarf. 8" Jun – July 3 = £10.00



Trillium chloropetalum



Roscoea humeana purple



Roscoea beesiana

#### **SCILLIFOLIA**

Tiny clumps of slender leaves and small almost black flowers all summer. Perfect for light shade. 6" Jul - Aug  $3 = \pounds 5.00$ 



Roscoea humeana Broadleigh Moonlight



Roscoea auriculata



Asarum splendens



Helleborus purpurascens

### **SHADY CHARACTERS**

These all delight in the cooler parts of the garden.

#### **★ ASARUM SPLENDENS**

Mounds of evergreen silver variegated heart-shaped leaves with fascinating brown & white open bell-shaped flowers at ground level.

4" £5.00 each

#### **★ HELLEBORUS ODORUS**

The first to flower. Bright yellowgreen flowers in November 14" Nov-Jan £8.00 each

#### HELLEBORUS PURPURASCENS

Dwarf species with large plum coloured flowers. Deciduous. 6" March-April £8.00 each



Helleborus odorus



Podophyllum peltatum



Pulmonaria Lewis Palmer

#### **★ PODOPHYLLUM PELTATUM**

A single large leaf and a good-sized creamy flowers followed by large pink fruits. Easy and clump forming.  $12^{\text{H}}$  May-Jun £4.50 each; 3 = £12.00

### **PULMONARIA 'LEWIS**

#### **★ PALMER'**

This is probably the showiest of all these useful winter foliage plants. In early spring it produces very large heads of brilliant blue flowers which are held well above the variegated foliage and have virtually no pink. 14" Apr £6.00 each

#### **VIOLA FRECKLES**

Large white flowers washed with blue speckles. 3" April – May 3 = £7.00



Viola Freckles

## **DROUGHT BUSTERS!**

After the extraordinary recent summers' droughts I thought it might be worth listing those plants that were completely unfazed by the drought.



## ALLIUM TUBEROSUM (Chinese chives.)

Masses of white flowers attract butterflies & bees in late summer. Edible.

14" September £6.50 for 3, small clumps



### **□** ALLIUM SENESCENS

Clump forming and almost evergreen they are smothered in soft purple pompom flowers in late summer. Nectar for butterflies that often swamp it. See *back cover*. 8" Jul – Aug £4.50 small clumps



#### **ASPHODELUS FISTULOSUS**

Neat clumps of grassy upright leaves and a succession of branched stems of pink backed white flowers all summer. Short lived but will gently self seed. Very pretty. Potted plants. 24" Summer f 5.00 each



#### ASPHODELINE LIBURNICA

Slender spikes covered in starry lemon yellow flowers above feathery, basal leaves. Easy in any soil in full sun; mixes well with grasses and other feathery plants. 3-4' Summer #5.00 each



#### **ASPHODELINE LUTEA**

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Clumps of attractive narrow bluegrey evergreen foliage with stiff spikes of striking star-like golden flowers. Dry sun 36" May – Jun £4.50 each



#### ASPHOLDELUS ALBUS

Dramatic branched stems of brown tipped white starry flowers above clumps of narrow grey leaves. Huge tuberous roots that are summer dormant. The plants just get better with age.

3-4' June £9.00 each



#### **CONVALLARIA ROSEA**

Spikes of delicate pink flowers. 5"April 3 = £6.00

#### **CONVALLARIA BORDEAUX**

**S** Extra large spikes of strongly scented white flowers. Vigorous. 5" April.

3 = £6.00



#### LIROPE OKINA

The new foliage of this Japanese Liriope is pure white. Blue flowers in the autumn.

8" September

6.00 each



#### LIRIOPE SILVER RIBBON

Grown for its clumps of narrow silvery-grey leaves. Good in dry shade.

8"

£5.00 each; 3 = £13.75

## **HEMEROCALLIS**

Easy plants for any soil in sun - flowers all summer. (see online for many more or our Collections on P24)

#### **ANZAC**

Deep red with white stripe 24" Summer. 3 = £12.00

#### **Y** ARCTIC SNOW

★ Large creamy white flowers 24" Summer 3 = £12.00

### **♥** CORKY

Masses of slender deep yellow flowers with bronze back. 16" Summer 3 = £12.00

#### **★ RASPBERRY CANDY**

Large cream flowers with a striking purple eye. Distinct 24" Summer 3 = f 12.00

## **♥** WHICHFORD

Large scented lemon flowers. Carried well above leaves. 24" Summer. 3 = £12.00



Hemerocallis Corky



Hemerocallis Rasberry Candy



Hemerocallis Arctic Snow



Hemerocallis Whichford

## **SPRING COLLECTIONS**

Take the strain out of choosing with our tried and tested collections.



#### **COLLECTION OF AGAPANTHUS**

#### Collection No. I

£15.00

3 Easy, free-flowering and mid-sized varieties for pots or border. Chosen from our best hardy varieties. A mix of blue and white. This collection is excellent value for money. Hardy but will need protection from severe frost if grown in containers (D) Height: 24 - 36" Flowers: Summer



## DWARF BEARDED IRIS Collection No. 3

These easy sun lovers are perfect for the front of a border, among paving stones or on a rockery. Our selection of 5 named iris from among our best growers. All shades and sizes.

Height: 4"-12"
Flowers: April £ I 2.00
MIXED DWARF
BEARDED IRIS

10 = £15.00



## COLLECTION OF SNOWDROPS

Collection No. 2

Easy varieties suitable for grass or under trees.

- 10 nivalis (single)
- 10 nivalis flore pleno (double)
- 3 Atkinsii

23 bulbs £17.00



## **DWARF DAYLILY COLLECTION**

Collection No. 5

E I 2.0

4 tiny varieties for the front of a sunny border. Easy plants for any soil in full sun flowering all summer. Height: 16" Flowers: all summer



## COLLECTION NERINES

#### Collection No. 6

Easy bulbs for a sunny wall or similar situation.

- 3 Favourite
- 3 Isabel
- 3 Patricia
- I Elegance

Flowers 18" Sept -

£20.00

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#### **FEB/MID APRIL DESPATCH**

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## SPRING FLOWERING BULBS FOR AUTUMN DESPATCH

Whilst most of our standard bulbs will be in our May catalogue and continue to be posted from Kent this is a list of what we grow and sell from Taunton. **Please use order form 2**. All illustrated online - see special bulbs.



#### \* FACCIDA

The Japanese wood anemone. The very fat rhizomes give rise to attractive clumps of purple marked heart shaped leaves topped by large white flowers. 5" April 3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00

## **Y** NEMOROSA (wood anemone)

Our native wood anemone with dainty white flowers on slender stems and divided leaves. 4" April 3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00

#### **NEMOROSA 'ALLENII'**

Very large pale blue flowers on slender stems and divided leaves. Excellent for naturalising under trees and shrubs. 6'' April 3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00

## NEMOROSA BLUE CENTRED DOUBLE

A neat tight white double wood anemone with blue backs. As the flowers mature so a blue centre appears. 4" April 3=£6.00; 10=£18.00

#### **NEMOROSA 'BOWLES GIANT'**

Very large white flowers on tall stems with remarkably thick rhizomes. 8'' April 3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00

#### NEMOROSA 'ROYAL BLUE'

Dainty deep blue flowers on slender stems and divided leaves. They are not too vigorous and smother themselves in flowers.

4" April 3 = £6.00; 10 = £18.00



#### CUSICKII

Large racemes of silvery-blue flowers. These are the first to flower - just as the daffodils are fading. 24" May 10 = £9.50

## $\mathbb{Y}$ LEICHTLINII ALBA

Large spikes of stary creamy white flowers. It is an excellent border plant for any soil in sun. 30" May 10 = f9.50

#### LEICHTLINII 'BROADLEIGH BELLE'

Our own cutivars. Later flowering and taller than C leichtlinii caerulea. In lovely shades of lilac, pink and true white. 30'' May 10 = f9.50

#### **LEICHTLINII SEMI-PLENA**

This is the tallest of the camassias and the last to flower. The very tall, stiff stems, are densely covered with a succession of creamy-yellow star-shaped flowers that are semi-double. 4' May-June  $3 = f \cdot 10.00$ 

## LEICHTLINII SUCKSDORFII (caerulea)

The more correct name for the standard tall bue camassia. Striking spikes of strong blue starry flowers with conspicuous yellow stamens. 30" May 10 = £9.50



#### **MIXED COLCHICUM \***

In all shades of pink & purple 6-8" Sept-Oct 5 = £12.00

## **▼ NANCY LINDSAY \***

Slender purple flowers on dark stems. Very early *C.autumnale* form. 6" Aug-Sept 3 = £10.00

#### **Ÿ** ROSY DAWN \*

Beautiful large well chequered flowers. 8" Sept 3 = £10.00

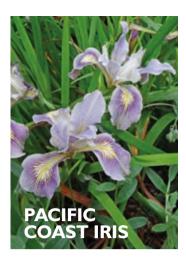
#### \*Please order these early



#### **GRAVETYE**

Tall arching stems with up to 10 hanging white bells. Perfect in part shade.

30" March-April 10 = f9.00



Evergreen iris for cool acid soil in part shade. Clump forming. Please note they are not suitable for growing in pots.

#### 'AMIGITA'

Pale lilac flowers with a beautiful deep purple mark on the falls.
Early flowering and vigorous
14" April-May
£5.00 each

#### **★ BROADLEIGH AMANDA**

Our delightful new hybrid with rounded flowers of a soft pinkish lilac. 18" April-May £6.00 each

#### **'BROADLEIGH ANGELA'**

Large, very pale lilac flowers washed with deeper purple and blue marks like a watercolour or silk paintings. 18" April-May £5.00 each

#### 'BROADLEIGH LAVINIA'

This produces a succession of flowers in a most unusual colour of pale peach with a claret mark on the falls. 18" April-May f.5.00 each

#### **'BROADLEIGH NANCY'**

This striking hybrid produces a succession of white flowers with strong purple markings and well-branched stems.

18" April-May

**GORING BUTTERFLY** 

A cross between a Pacific Coast iris and a sibirican and takes the best characteristics from both. The plant is vigorous, soil tolerant and has stunning widely flaring flowers in a glorious mix of purple and cream. 24" May–June f8.00

## MIXED CALIFORNIAN IRIS (Pacific Coast Iris)

A selection of our unnamed iris hybrids in shades from palest gold to deepest purple.

18" April-May 3 for £12.00



## □ 'PAGODA'

A most beautiful and vigorous hybrid with large sulphur-yellow turks cap flowers. 10" Mar-Apr 3 = £4.50; 10 = £13.75

#### **Y** 'SUNDISC'

A most beautiful and vigorous hybrid with large sulphur-yellow turks cap flowers. Similar to Pagoda but with a clearer colour and well marked leaves. 10" March-April 3 = f6.00

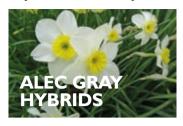
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Large white turks cap flower with pale yellow centres. 10" Mar-Apr 3 = £7.50: 10 = £21.00

#### **REVOLUTUM**

The flowers are like mini bright pink turks cap lilies with a beautifully marbled leaves. Acid soil. 8" Mar-Apr £5.00 each: 3 = £13.75

## NARCISSUS (DAFFODILS)



A selection from our National Collection

#### **BOBBYSOXER (7)**

A dwarf jonquil with neat round yellow flowers and orange cups. Twin headed. An excellent rock garden plant. 8'' April 5 = £5.00; 15 = £13.75

#### CORNET (6)

A very descriptive name for this, one of Alec Gray's larger cultivars. Well swept back petals. Clear yellow. 12" Feb-Mar 10= £7.00

#### **CREAM SEGOVIA (7)**

This little daffodil is a sport of Segovia, regularly appearing in Alec's stock in our field but with cream rather than pure white petals. There is some confusion over the name, with this name being incorrectly applied to the cream sport of Xit which is much smaller. 6" April 3 = £6.00

3 = £6.00

## **\( \text{\text{\$\gamma\$}} \) ELKA (I)**

A tiny gem with a slightly nodding lemon trumpet and milk white petals. It does well here on the edge of a shrub bed where it is dry in the summer. 4" March 5 = £5.00

#### **★** JANA (6)

Early flowering. Large golden flowers on short stems, rather like a short February Gold but with better formed flowers. Vigorous. 8" March

3 = £6.00

£5.00 each

#### **JOHANNA (5)**

One of Alec Gray's larger hybrids but still distinctive & attractive, 1-2 pale lemon flowers with expanded darker yellow trumpets. Nodding. 14" March-April 10 = £7.00

#### LITTLE SENTRY (7)

Tiny discs of gold on stiff stems with very flat cups. They open golden but fade to a beautiful cream. 8" Abril 5 = £6.00

#### MINNOW(8)

A fine Alec Gray miniature hybrid. Up to 4 tiny heads per stem which open golden but fade to a beautiful cream. 8" March 5 = f5.00

#### RIKKI (7)

The small round flowers open yellow then the petals fade to cream. Slightly larger than Little Sentry with a slightly more starry appearance. Vigorous. 8" Abril

5 = f6.00

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More like a jonguil hybrid which is not surprising as one of its parents is the tiny jonguil species N.watieri. Superbly contrasting glistening white petals and small flat lemon cup. Actually bred by Alec's wife Flomay. 6" Abril 5 = £5.00; 15 = £13.75

#### **★ STAFFORD (7)**

Neat golden flowers on stiff stems. 6" Abril 3 = f6.00

## $\Upsilon$ TETE A TETE (12)

Probably the best of all dwarf hybrids. Very early and tremendously long lasting. Golden petals very slightly reflexed from the neat cups. Cannot be too strongly recommended and a very prolific flowerer. Perfect for containers, borders, woodland or even grass. The most famous of all Alec Gray's miniatures. 6" Feb-Mar 10 = £6.00: 25 = £13.75

#### **TETE BOUCLE (12)**

A chance sport from Tete a Tete. This is exactly the same size but each flower is fully double. Makes an impressive pot display.

6" Feb-Mar 5 = f6.00

#### **★ TWEENY (7)**

Lives up to its name. White petals and an orange-yellow cup. Delightful 7" April

3 = £6.00

#### **★** XIT (7)

A tiny green-eyed white jonguil hybrid. Best in dry shade or pot. 5" March-April f.4.00 each: 3 = f.11.00



#### ANGEL'S BREATH (5)

A wonderful new miniature with graceful nodding heads of very pale yellow. Perfect for a pot in a cold glasshouse or trough. 9" April 3 = £6.00

#### **AGNES HARVEY (5)**

An old (pre 1902!) but still beautiful dwarf triandrus hybrid daffodil. It has I to 2 nodding white flowers. 9" Abril

5 = £6.50

#### **BABY DOLL(6)**

This delightful dwarf daffodil has small neat flowers of clear yellow and well reflexed petals. A good doer, increasing well. 8" Mar 3 = £6.00

#### BILBO (6)

One of Brian's beautiful dance series. Pure white petals sweep back from a delicate pink cup. 12" March 3 = £5.00

#### **COMPRESSUS (8)**

Up to 10 glistening white flowers with small lemon cups. Scented. 14" Feb-March 5 = £5.00; 15 = 13.75

CORDUBENSIS (13)

A spectacular jonguil species from S Spain. Masses of deep gold strongly scented flowers - up to 10 per stem, with small flat cups. 14'' Abril 3 = £6.00

#### x INTERMEDIUS (13)

Masses of strongly scented golden flowers on tall stiff stems. This wild hybrid requires a very warm, dry summer dormancy to flower well. Excellent in a pot in cold glass. 14'' Abril 10 = £7.00

#### ITALICUS (13)

★ A tazetta species from the shores of the Mediterranean sea. Up to 6 white flowers with small lemon cups. Highly scented. Probably best grown under glass, 12" Ian -Feb 5 = £6.00

#### **LEMON SILK (6)**

A beautiful cyclamineus daffodil with delicate lemon flowers. The long trumpet is slightly paler than the well reflexed petals. Early flowering forming good sized clumps. 14" Early March 3 = £5.00: 10 = £15.30

#### **LITTLE RUSKY (6)**

An exquisite US jonguil hybrid. Tiny creamy-yellow flowers with a orange rimmed deeper yellow cup and a green eye. Usually twin flowered. 8" April 3 = £6.00

#### **MEDIOLUTEUS** (biflorus) (Primrose Peerless) (13)

This is one of the very oldest daffodil cultivars still in cultivation. Late flowering with 1 or 2 small white flowers with a tiny lemon yellow cup. Sweetly scented flowers. 10" April-May 3 = £6.00

## **₩** MITE (6)

This is a perfect tiny golden cyclamineus hybrid daffodil with long straight trumpet and 'fly-away' perianth. Rather like a larger more robust N.cyclamineus. It increases rapidly making good clumps. 9" March f4.00 each: 3 = f11.00

#### OTHER DAFFODILS continued

#### S PAPERWHITE (13)

A must for Christmas flowering with masses of heavily scented white flowers. Plant the bulbs on the surface of the soil and keep on a cool windowsill. Will flower in about 6 weeks.

12" Nov-Jan 5 = £5.40; 15 = £14.50

#### RIJNVELDT'S EARLY SENSATION (2)

5 = £5.00; 15 = £13.75

It is a short flowered egg-yellow daffodil with a rather flared trumpet that is slightly darker. Often in flower on Christmas Day. Very vigorous, increasing well and can be naturalised in grass.

10" Jan-Feb



A vigorous and free flowering white bulbocodium. The large expanded trumpets have a hint of green. Perfect for a pots in alpine house, rock garden or raised bed. 6" Feb-Mar 5 = £4.00

#### S WILLKOMMII (13)

A tiny species with up to three tiny golden-yellow, strongly scented flowers. It needs a hot, dry summer dormancy to flower so is best grown in an Alpine house.

4" April

10 = £7.00



## BYZANTINUS "Whistling Jack"

The true form of this Mediterranean species The large purple-red flowers with a white flash are carried on stiff stems.

24" June 5 = £7.00



#### **MAGNUM**

Tall slender spikes of up to 75 glistening white flowers in early summer. Excellent in the RHS garden at Harlow Carr. Well drained soil in part shade.

18-30" June-July 3 = £4.00



#### HUGHII

Extraordinary huge triangular heads of rich, almost glowing blue flowers which arise from a basal rosette of wide leaves. It is like a S. peruviana on speed. They should be planted a sunny, warm position. Almost evergreen. Distinct. The bulbs need to be left undisturbed to achieve their full potential. 12" April-May £4.00 each, 3 = £11.00

#### **PERUVIANA**

One of the best late-flowering species with extraordinary triangular heads of rich, almost glowing blue flowers which arise from a basal rosette of wide leaves. Almost evergreen. 9" April-May £3.00 each, 3 = £8.35

#### PERUVIANA ALBA

White version of the above. 9" Apr-May £3.00 each; 3 = £8.35

## **□** LITARDIERI (pratensis)

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#### SICULA \*

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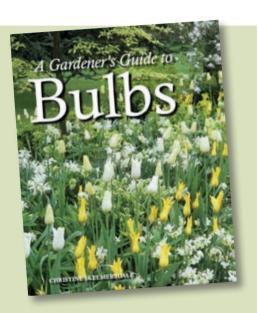
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