

Daffodils...so many choices!

Daffodils are separated into thirteen divisions. Shape or form defines Divisions 1 through 12. Division 13 daffodils are the wild species. In every division you can find daffodils of different sizes and colors!



'Mesa Verde' 12 G-GGY



Narcissus cyclamineus 13 Y-Y,
Narcissus triandrus triandrus 13 W-W,
Narcissus jonquilla 13 Y-Y

Division 13:
Species Daffodils
Species daffodils, including wild hybrids and variants, are located in this division.



'American Dream' 1 Y-P

Division 1:
Trumpet Daffodils
The cup length measures as long or longer than the petals. Each stem carries one flower.



'Pacific Rim' 2 Y-YYR

Division 2:
Large-Cupped Daffodils
The cup length measures more than one-third of, but less than equal to, the length of the petals. Each stem carries one flower.



'Aunt Renee' 11a W-GPP

Division 11:
Split-Cupped Daffodils
The cups are split at least one-half of their length and usually lie flat against the petals. There's most often one flower per stem.

Unravel the code



'Sargeant's Caye' 1 YYW-WWY

1 = Division 1
YYW = perianth or petal colors from the outside in
WWY = cup or corona colors from the inside out

In the code following each flower's name, the number refers to the flower's division and the letters refer to the flower's color code.

Colors are represented by:
W - White
Y - Yellow
P - Pink
R - Red
O - Orange
G - Green



'Enchanted Prince' 3 W-GWW

Division 3:
Small-Cupped Daffodils
The cup length measures not more than one third of the length of the petals. Each stem carries one flower.



'New Charm' 10 W-W

Division 10:
Bulbocodium Daffodils
Daffodils in the "hoop petticoat" form display large cups and tiny petals. Each stem usually carries one flower.

'Paul Laurence Dunbar' 9 W-GYO

Division 9:
Poeticus Daffodils
Extremely white petals surround the cup—a small, crinkled disc, commonly yellow with a green center and a red rim. There's usually one fragrant flower per stem.



'Double Play' 4 Y-O

Division 4:
Double Daffodils
The cup and/or petals are clustered with multiple layers of petals. Each stem carries one or more flowers.



'Bright Spangles' 8 W-O

Division 8:
Tazetta Daffodils
Three or more fragrant flowers bloom on each stem. The foliage and stem are very broad.

'Akepa' 5 W-P

Division 5:
Triandrus Daffodils
The blooms hang down like bells. Each stem carries one or more flowers.



'Intrigue' 7 Y-W

Division 7:
Jonquilla Daffodils
The foliage is narrow and reed-like. Each stem carries one or more fragrant flowers.

'Saint Louie Louie' 6 W-Y

Division 6:
Cyclamineus Daffodils
The petals appear wind-swept. Each stem carries one flower.



*I wander'd lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.*

*Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretch'd in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.*

*For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.*

excerpts from "Daffodils" By William Wordsworth

