2024 Edit

# GROW

something new from seed



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# Behind the Seeds

When we moved back to the Chilterns from the Lake District in 2012, we were very lucky to find offices in a beautiful barn conversion which suited us down to the ground. It's just a perfect match; the walls are wiggly, the beams are low and we have a resident spaniel asleep in the corner. An office as nature intended.

Visitors are surprised in equal measure by two things; how little space most of our bulk seeds take up and how much we do everything by hand.

When we say that we pick and pack all our seed packets by hand, we mean it. 48 years on from the conception of the business, we still use specially made metal scoops to measure most of our packets. Sourced from Sweden and near impossible to replace, these are our most precious possessions!

We still think this is the best way of doing things. We keep our packets and packaging simple; always recycled and 100% recyclable; and our customer service as friendly and knowledgeable as you'll find anywhere.

We have moved with the times though and now use technology in all sorts of clever ways, allowing us to have fast order turnaround and despatch and the very best stock control, ensuring we always have the freshest harvest and the reason our germination rates should always be the best.

Outside the front door, we have an ever-increasing line of pots, where we grow a small selection of our seeds – as much to see which things we like as it is to provide food for staff lunches!











Alongside our office barns, we also have a large, green plot on which we grow around 200 different items every year. It is an important space where we can both trial new varieties and grow old favourites. Everyone on our team gets involved in the preparation, sowing, and weeding so we all get a chance to spend some time away from our desks and gain hands-on seed sowing experience. It also means that the people who pack up your orders as well as those who answer your phone calls and emails get to see how things grow and exactly what the flowers look like!









Whilst we start some of our seeds off indoors, our preferred method is direct sowing which saves on both space and time.

Over the years we have learned what works and what doesn't. Of course, it can be weather dependent; some things will thrive one year and then not grow so well the next but there are plants that will grow whatever you throw at them!

We tend to sow at the beginning of May and having prepared the ground so that it's weed free (last year we used Charles Dowding's No Dig approach), we simply make shallow lines with a hoe and go along these rows dropping the seeds in and then covering up with soil. Weeds may come up at a similar time but if the emerging seedlings are in neat rows, it makes them easier to see. They can be thinned out as necessary as they grow.



#### Here are some of our favourite things to grow on our plot that do especially well from a direct sowing:



Delightful annual with pretty blue flowers beloved by bees.

90cm HA



Delphinium consolida. 442L 'Fancy Purple Picotee' An elegant and eye-catching Larkspur with pale purple blooms edged with a darker purple. 120cm HA



Scabiosa atropurpurea, 1148Z 'Blue Cockade' Superb variety with very large, brilliant blue flowers on long, strong stems.

120cm HA/HHA

'Miss Jekyll' Beautiful variety with large, semi-double, bright light blue flowers.

£2.45



45cm HA £2.25



cucumerifolius, 'Italian Green Heart' Beautiful yet sturdy, branching sunflowers with small and graceful creamy flowers with unusual greeny centres. 140cm HA



'Lilliput Salmon' Zinnias really enjoy our plot and collectively they look so vibrant. We love this colour from the Lilliput Series with its lovely neat flowers. 60cm HA/HHA £1.95



Cerinthe major var. purpurascens We grow this every year; they do well on our plot and the bees love them as much as we do.

60cm HA/HHA



Helianthus annuus. 'Ruby Eclipse', F1 Hybrid We grow several Sunflowers on our plot each year but this is probably our favourite with its dusky pink/caramel blooms. 15 seeds. **180cm HA £2.95** 



Eschscholzia californica, 533J 'Apricot Chiffon' Eschscholzias are easy to grow and quick to flower so we always grow a few. This colour really stands out: peach with a velvety coral underside.25cm HA £2.45

Scabiosa atropurpurea, 1148Y

'Black Knight' It's hard to pick a favourite Scabious but this is definitely up there with its dark and dramatic flowers. 120cm HA/HHA



Cosmos bipinnatus, 399W This needs to be grown to fully appreciate the colour; electric pink with an unusual orange glow as though it's been lit from within. 60cm HHA



Clarkia unguiculata We feel these are underappreciated! They are so easy and extremely rewarding with their floriferous spires of colourful blooms.

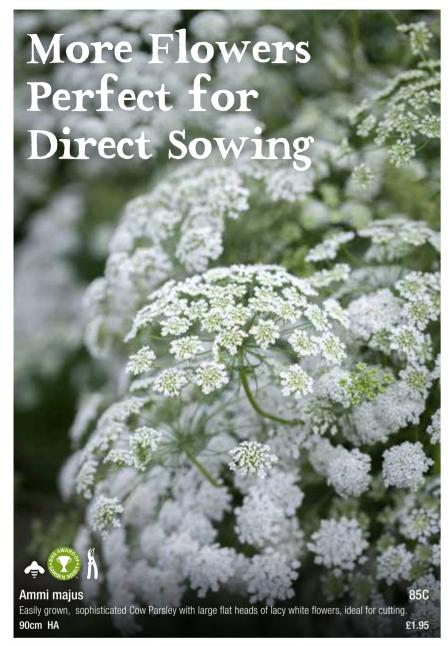


Agrostemma githago, 'Queen Mixed' This never fails for us. We love the silvery foliage and the way the flowers swish and sway in the breeze. 90cm HA £2.25



Papaver rhoeas, 'Pandora' 951K It's the unexpected colour range that makes this Poppy special for us; deep burgundies, streaked and striped pinks and the odd silvery grey. 60cm HA







Cynoglossum amabile. 429N 'Mystic Pink' These plants bear long spikes of

delicate flowers in a comforting soft mysterious shade of pink.

90cm HA



Excellent cut flower with tall spikes of enormous bright green. bell-like calyces surrounding the flowers proper. £1.95

80cm HHA



Amaranthus cruentus, 85R 'Oeschberg' Showy blood-red spikes of flowers and dark purplish foliage. Decorate the border but, fresh or

dry, exciting vase material.

90cm HA/HHA



Tropaeolum majus, 1260Y 'Jewel of Africa' Very attractive variegated foliage and lovely flowers in striking colours: yellow, cream, red and peach, plain and blotched.

180cm HA(CI)



Calendula officinalis. 'Canteloupe' Our favourite shades of creamyvellows and pinky-apricots; very appealing, to us and no doubt our pollinator friends. 60cm HA



813Z Linaria maroccana. 'Licilia Azure' 'Vulcan' Unusual bicolored mini snapdragon flowers: a very fresh bluey-purple and white.

120cm HA

50cm HA £2.25



843A Echium vulgare. 'Blue Bedder' Beautiful plant bearing spikes A tetraploid variety, extremely free-flowering with very large, of exquisite, violet-blue flowers brilliant pink flowers. that become tinged with pink as they age. £2.25 40cm HA £1.95



Gypsophila elegans, 'Covent Garden' A highly selected large-flowered strain, pure white.

60cm HA £1.95



Amberboa moschata, 306L 'The Bride' Lovely large, fluffy, sweetscented white cornflowers. Easily grown, cottage garden favourite and great for cutting. 70cm HA



Callistephus chinensis, 243D 'King Size Appleblossom' Extra tall Asters with large blooms in a beautiful shade of romantic soft pink.

100cm HA/HHA



Viscaria oculata, 1280B Formula Mixed Colours One of the most beautiful of annual cottage garden flowers, smothered with a profusion of blue, rose, pink and white blooms. 40cm HA £1.95



'Dandy Improved Mix' Jolly looking Dahlias; large blooms with inner collarettes of the same or contrasting colours.

60cm HHA/HHP



Salvia viridis. 1138A Mixed Lovely mix of of pink, deep violet, rose, blue and white.

45cm HA



Linum grandiflorum 814B var. rubrum Very easy, sow and forget and blooming all summer, brilliant red flowers with a silky sheen.

Bupleurum 226W rotundifolium, 'Griffithii' Bright green umbels of true flowers surrounded by petal-like bracts, this attractive flower is splendid for cutting. 35cm HA 60cm HA



Limonium sinuatum, 811H

Most popular vibrant carmine-

for drying. Fast-growing and

rose everlasting flower, excellent

'Rose Light'

super easy. 80cm HHA

Brachvscome 212C iberidifolia, Mixed Lovely compact plant with attractive ferny foliage and a profusion of blue, rose-pink, purple and white flowers. 25cm HA/HHA



Phacelia tanacetifolia Dense, curved spikes of small. soft lavender, bell-shaped flowers which are enjoyed by bees. 90cm HA/HHA



A unique dwarf variety bearing considerable white flowers with

60cm HA £2.45

'Dwarf Pink Blush'

pink striations.



Atriplex hortensis. 'Plumes', Formula Mixed Vibrant mix of flower spikes with ornamental matching foliage in deep red and vivid green.

180cm HA/HHA £2.25



Centaurea cyanus, 'Classic Fantastic' Captivating colours in different shades of blue.

100cm HA £1.95



Helipterum roseum. 678K 'Sensation Giants' Delightful papery flowers in a mix of white with yellow centres and bright pink with yellow centres. Simple yet bold. 50cm HA



lentantha Pretty blue, almost spherical flower-heads, perfect for cutting.

£2.25

50cm HA



Cosmos bipinnatus, 'Fizzy Rose Picotee'

Exciting Cosmos, with semidouble, rosy-white flowers with an eye-catching ruby edging.





A vigorous climber with large, bell-shaped flower, this is a mixure of both violet-purple and greenish-white varieties.

600cm HHA/HHP(CI) £2.95



90cm HP £2.65



Helichrysum 677M bracteatum, Silvery Rose Shimmering, silvery-pink, daisylike papery flowers, ideal for cutting and drying.

£2.25

90cm HHA



atropurpurea, 'Summer Fruits' A bright and cheerful mixture in warm, fruity shades to give that summer feeling!

90cm HA/HHA £2.65



Cosmos bininnatus. 'Antiquity' Rich burgundy flowers change to antique bronze-salmon as they age.

45cm HHA £2.95



Ageratum houstonianum, 63X 'Timeless' Mixture Beautiful mix of large, eyecatching flowers in a cloud of pink, blue, purple and white.

70cm HHA £1.95





Digitalis purpurea var. 463F gloxinioides, 'The Shirley', Mixed

Shades of salmon, pink, cream and plum, richly spotted and blotched. 150cm HP/HB



Nicotiana langsdorffii, 899J 'Lemon Tree' Lovely variety with lemonygreen coloured blossoms to ornament your border.

150cm HHA £2.25



Delphinium elatum, 'Magic Fountains' Stunning flower spikes in an impressive array of colours white, dark, mid and sky blue, lavender, lilac and pink. 90cm HP



Astrantia major, 'Rose Symphony' Splendid flowers in a "symphony of red and pink shades".

£3.25 60cm HP



Achillea millefolium. 36C 'Flowerburst Fruitbowl' We love the different colours in this fruity mix.

75cm HP

£2.85



latifolium Masses of elegant panicles of dainty, lavender-blue flowers suitable for drying.

£2.95

60cm HP

Verbascum hybridum, 1271R

'Southern Charm' Beautiful and unusual long flowering spikes in subtle yet eye-catching shades of peach, pink, lilac and apricot. 10 seeds. 90cm HP £2.85



'Madame Butterfly Mixed', F1 Hybrid Wonderful vigorous variety with large, fully double blooms in a range of lovely bright colours. 75cm HHA



'Cheyenne Spirit' Award winning, joyful jewel-like mix of sunset colours from yellow & oranges to pinks & reds. Super robust and hardy. 10 seeds. **80cm HP £4.25** 



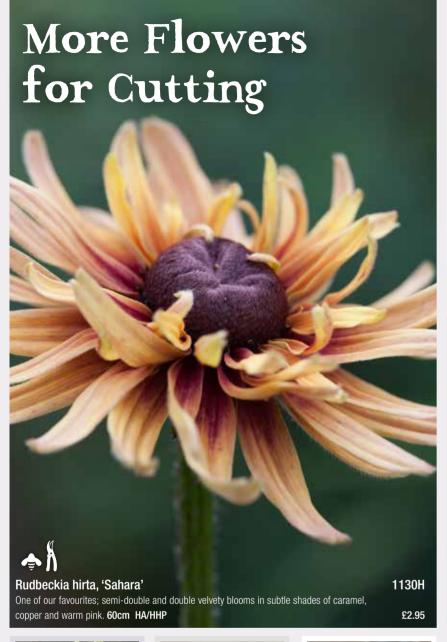


Lathyrus odoratus, 771Y 'Heirloom Mixed' Our exclusive mixture of oldfashioned Sweet Peas. The best scented varieties and a full array of glorious colours. 250cm HA(CI) £2.85



Callistephus chinensis, 243K 'Duchesse Apricot' Beautiful, large blooms of pale, pinky-apricot incurved petals on upright stems.

70cm HA/HHA





Traditional Field Grown Column Stock, 'Apricot' Popular cottage garden flowers in peachy apricot with that wonderful distinctive scent.

£2.45

90cm HHA

75cm HA/HHA

'Bishop's Children'

rich colours.

90cm HHA/HHP

Impressive dark bronze foliage

with large, spectacular single

flowers in a delightful mix of



'Chantilly Bronze', F1 Hybrid Beautiful blooms in a warm pinky-apricot colour.

£3.75

90cm HA £2.65

Ornamental grass bearing fluffy,

bronze plumes, good for cutting

Setaria italica.

'Lowlander'

and drying.

vulgaris

white flowers.

90cm HP

Familiar and attractive native

summer, clusters of fragrant

wild flower bearing, most of the



256G Very pretty seed pods which make it very appealing for unusual and long-lasting flower arrangements. 100cm HA £2.25



Cosmos bipinnatus. 'Double Dutch White' The frothiest Cosmos flowers we've seen vet: semi-double and double, multi-layered petals. 120cm HHA £2.45

Ammi visnaga. 'Green Mist' Feathery foliage and extravagant domed umbels of greenishwhite flowers, soft yet robust and architectural. 120cm HA £1.95



Scabiosa caucasica. 1149G 'Perfection White' Beautiful, large, white flowers on strong stems all summer long.

60cm HP

£2.45



Tagetes patula, 'Burning Embers' Single blooms of deep orange with each petal delicately outlined in a paler orange.

45cm HHA



Lathyrus odoratus, 768X 'Juliet' With a heady citrus scent in a class of its own, these flowers are cream with a pinkyapricot blush. 180cm HA(CI) £2.95

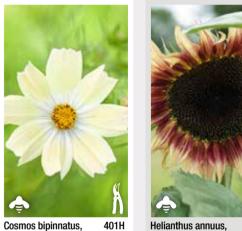


Panicum elegans, 'Sprinkles' Ethereal, light and airy grass with the appearance of a bonfire night sparkler.

80cm HHA

peach and pink on tall, cuttable stems. £2.85 120cm HHA

'Kiiro'



'Pro Cut Plum', F1 Hybrid Beautiful soft yellow blooms Gorgeous understated antiquey with the occasional hint of tones of a dusky plum and buff. Tall, strong, single-stemmed plants. 15 seeds. 150cm HA



Digitalis purpurea, 'Pink Gin' Delicate blush-pink blooms fade to white resulting in an ombré

effect from top to bottom of the flower spike. 120cm HP/HB



Didiscus caeruleus. 'Lace Mixture' Beautiful mixture of Lace Flowers with umbels in blues, pinks and white.

60cm HHA £2.45



Zinnia elegans, 1311P 'Queen Lime Mixed' A mix of some of our favourite. unusual hues that look magnificent growing together

75cm HA/HHA



'Champagne Bubbles' Mixed, F1 Hybrid Shades of orange, pink, scarlet, yellow and creamy-white.

£3.95

50cm HA/HP



'Orange Flash' Don't be misled by the name! The petals are of a subtle apricot-buff colour with darker shades on the reverse. 60cm HA



Centaurea americana. 302B 'Aloha Blanca' Robust and tall, this unusual variety bears superb, large fluffy, white flowers with lots of lovely whiskery petals. 150cm HA



var. viridis Loved by our flower-arranging friends with its eye-catching green tassels

105cm HA/HHA



Eucalyptus cinerea, 'Silver Dollar' Striking silver-grey foliage with a compact habit, perfect for containers and particularly good for cutting.15 seeds. 125cm HSh/HTr £3.65

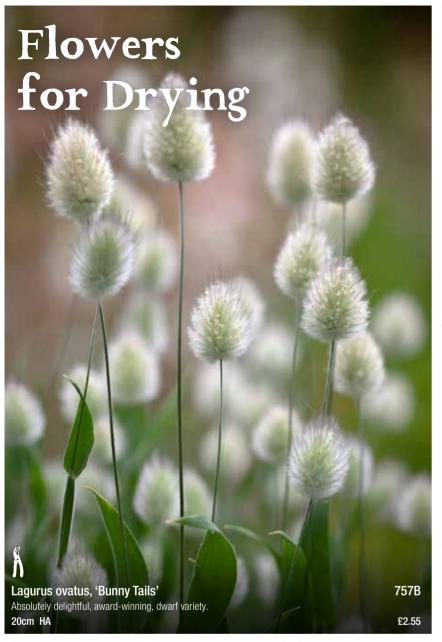


'Vulcan' Fine ornamental grass bearing unusual, flat flower-heads resembling small fish skeletons, very attractive and long lasting. 70cm HA



Campanula medium. Single Mixed Popular and most beautiful, classic Canterbury Bell. Strong spikes of large pink, white and blue flowers. 105cm HHA/HB

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1241D Thlaspi arvense Grown for its decorative seed pods and used in fresh and dried arrangements. 80cm HA £2.45



Miscanthus 880 Phalaris canariensis Handsome, graceful grass with Most attractive ornamental grass blue-green leaves and long with oval flower-heads, white panicles of whitish flowers, often with green veins, often tinged tinged red, in late summer. bright violet. 240cm HP 100cm HA





822A

Xeranthemum

Everlasting flower with silvery

foliage and white, pink or violet

flowers borne freely all summer.

Thrives on poor soils.

annuum

Limonium sinuatum, 811P Eryngium planum, 'Purple Attraction' 'Blue Glitter' Very popular everlasting rich violet-purple flowers. Fastgrowing and super easy, a great year. 15 seeds. choice for beginners. 80cm HHA 105cm HP



Superior cultivated variety of a strong blue, flowering in the first £3.75



Helichrysum bracteatum 676

A super mixture in a wide range

£2.25

of brilliant colours, including

fiery red, rose and coppery

monstrosum, Mixed

vellow

75cm HHA

£1.95

Centaurea cyanus, 304X 'Blue Diadem' A bright blue cornflower with large, double flowers.



Celosia argentea

shaded rose-pink tips.

100cm HA

var. spicata, 'Flamingo Feathers'

Plumes of ivory-white flowers

with beautifully and delicately

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£2.25

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£2.25

'Rose' Unusual spherical heads of flowers with perfect papery pink petals.

60cm HHA

Finest Mixed A mix of fine old Larkspur spikes of flowers.

Delphinium consolida, 443K

Physalis alkekengi var. 991P

Splendid orange paper Chinese

your garden and especially dried

lanterns: impressive fresh in

franchetii, 'Gigantea'

in flower arrangments.

90cm HP



Briza media Most attractive, native, ornamental perennial grass with delicate panicles of small, heartshaped flowers.

60cm HP



Limonium 812C Ammobium tataricum alatum Fine but robust species with A charming annual plant bearing all summer "everlasting" large panicles of silvery-grey, everlasting flowers. Excellent for silvery-white flowers with yellow cutting and drying. centres. 45cm HP £2.75 60cm HA/HHA



Nigella orientalis. 903K 'Transformer' An interesting plant with curiously shaped, yellow-green flowers followed by fascinating architectural seed pods. £2.25 60cm HA

sinensis



Helipterum roseum. 'Pierrot' Large pure white papery flowers with dark centres.

50cm HA



flowers. Splendid for cutting to cheer up dull days. 45cm HA/HHA £2.25

Tanacetum vulgare leaves and heads of very attractive, yellow, button-like flowers.



75cm HA

1227H caudatus Pretty native plant with aromatic Lovely, long, drooping red tassels; excellent for cutting and drying. 90cm HP 105cm HA/HHA



£1.95

Echinops Splendid, steel-blue, globular flower heads with a metallic lustre, excellent for flower arrangements. £2.25 90cm HP



Ageratum houstonianum, 63Q 'Red Flint' Dark red buds open up to reveal fluffy, purple-red flowers.

£1.95

60cm HA/HHA

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# Tom Brown at West Dean Gardens



We went to meet Tom Brown, Head Gardener at West Dean Gardens in Sussex and to look around the gardens where many of our seeds are growing. We were particularly inspired by the 'Dry Meadow' that Tom has created – an area planted with the most resilient plants.

How long have you been at West Dean and what was your remit when you took over? I will have been at West Dean for five years and I absolutely love the scope and potential creativity that comes with the role. West Dean is principally an educational charity with the arts, conservation and design college at its heart. My remit when I started as Head Gardener here was to take the restored Victorian Kitchen Garden, and the grounds around the College, and evolve them into a space that would inspire students and visitors alike. Part of that remit is to be experimental and push boundaries, to inform the wider public. If gardens like West Dean stop experimenting and challenging the norm, that potentially will be a very sad day.





What was your inspiration for the Dry Meadow? How did you choose what to plant?

In recent years, I've become aware that certain styles of planting, and some old favourites like hydrangeas, roses and box are lacking buoyancy in the garden due to disease and weather conditions. The use of resources in the garden is also something we are mindful of, like water hungry plants in a greenhouse or how we manage our borders. With this in mind, we embarked on a new project to highlight a community of plants that not only could tolerate periods of drought but would also require little fertility and intervention. Our Dry Meadow plant list was created to celebrate perennials that met this remit and would tolerate wet winters too. 90% of the plants that we used were grown from seed, to achieve a more naturalistic look but also to work within a modest budget.

#### Tell us a bit about the other areas of the garden and your vision for them.

We've got a collection of very large glass houses at West Dean, as well as a large Kitchen Garden and Fruit Collection. There are a number of challenges that are associated with these areas, and we are tackling those issues head on as we garden in a time without chemical intervention, without the use of peat, and with a consciousness of increasing biodiversity within the Garden. Using biological control within the greenhouse, adopting a no dig method within the Kitchen Garden, and encouraging predators of orchard pests into the Walled Garden, to help control numbers are all things that we continue to experiment with.

#### Anything new in the pipeline?

A major project for 2024 will be the redevelopment of our Sunken Garden, where we take inspiration from the work of Peter Korn in Sweden with perennials grown in sand. This area will be planted with perennials that are tolerant of a sandy soil and can cope with periods of drought and times of excessive rainfall in a very similar way to our Dry Meadow.

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Pictured left: Tom's Walled Garden





Dianthus carthusianorum Dense clusters of lovely upward facing, cherry-red or deep pink flowers.

30cm HP



Gypsophila pacifica Surprisingly rarely seen, this attractive border plant has lovely blue-green foliage and clouds of relatively large, pink flowers.

120cm HP



Silphium mohrii 1175F Distinctive pale yellow, daisylike blooms on downy stems. Long-flowering and drought tolerant, superb for naturalistic planting.10 seeds.



'Purple Fairy Tale' First year flowering perennial with long stems carrying whorls of dark purple flowers.



Berkheya purpurea, 'Zulu Warrior' Bold, handsome perennial from South Africa, Unusual, beautiful. silvery-blue flowers with dark purple centres in late summer.



Calamagrostis brachytricha A highly ornamental grass bearing in late summer long and graceful, feathery flower panicles.



Ferula communis Spectacular plant from the Mediterranean with delicate foliage and enormous flowerheads of tiny, bright yellow flowers. 6 seeds.



Echinacea A fine perennial from the USA: handsome and spidery pink flowers fading with age, with a dark maroon central cone. 120cm HP



Seseli aumniferum Glimmering silver-grey, lacy foliage and huge umbels of flowers that start pale pink and fade to white. Unfussy in its requirements. £2.95 120cm HB



Eryngium bourgatii Very attractive species with leaves reminiscent of a Jack Frost pattern on a frozen window and dense, round, blue flower-heads. 40cm HP £2.85



Rudbeckia maxima Architectural plant with handsome, blue-green leaves and long yellow petals surrounding a large, almost black, centre cone, 12 seeds. 300cm HP



alopecuroides Stately, clump-forming, ornamental grass with flowerheads very decoratively adorned with purple bristles. 90cm HP £2.95



camtschatica. 'Love Parade' Clusters of numerous large and lovely soft pink flowers with pale yellow stamens.

60cm HP £2.95



'Pony Tails' Graceful and beautiful ornamental grass - bright green leaves with a profusion of long, narrow, softly feathery plumes. 60cm HP



Agastache cana. 'Heather Queen' Easily grown plant bearing over a long period masses of large, violet-pink flowers. Much appreciated by butterflies and bees. 90cm HP



Catananche caerulea var. alba Easy to grow, attractive, long flowering white blooms surrounded by papery, silvercoloured bracts. 90cm HP



cordifolia Magnificent plant for the border with branched panicles of countless, honey-scented, creamy-white flowers, 10 seeds. 180cm HP



Agastache rugosa, 'Liquorice White' Aromatic perennial with dense spikes of pure white flowers. Great for cutting and flowers in as little as 10 weeks from seed. 90cm HP



Calendula officinalis. 235W 'Sherbet Fizz' A favourite colour for us, rich apricot-buff with darker mahogany centres and undersides. 45cm HA £2.65



Achillea ptarmica. 'The Pearl' This is a very popular cultivated variety with large sprays of pure white, double or semi-double 75cm HP



Helianthus annuus, Tithonia rotundifolia. 1250Q 'Fiesta del Sol' 'Desert Sun'. F1 Hybrid Compact and early flowering, Creamy yellow to pink flowers abundant intense, bright orange with light to dark maroon rings. flowers. Enjoy blooms and 15 seeds. butterflies all summer long! 75cm HHA

180cm HA £2.85





612H Gaura lindheimeri, 'Summer Breeze' Variety to face the irregularities of the British weather, pink buds open into beautiful pure white flowers. 14 seeds. 90cm HP



Nigella damascena, 'Miss Jekyll Rose' Beautiful large, semi-double pink blooms followed by decorative, inflated, red-striped seed pods.

45cm HA



Stipa gigantea 1201G Splendid, very tall, ornamental grass with large, loose panicles of long-awned, silvery spikelets with conspicuous dangling, golden anthers. 10 seeds. 240cm HP

'Blue Steel'

10 seeds. 60cm HP £3.35



Arctotis fastuosa, 'White' bonariensis Familiar heads of blue-lavender With silvery leaves, this bears large, glorious silvery-white flowers all summer. flowers with an eye-catching contrasting, dark central ring. 60cm TP/HHA



Achillea millefolium, True Wild Form Distinctive ferny foliage with flat heads of white (or pinky) flowers over a long period. Perfect naturallooking blooms for cutting.



Limonium sinuatum, 811W Pastel Mixed This is a beautiful mix of soft pastel tones including violet, lavender, blush, rose and mauve.



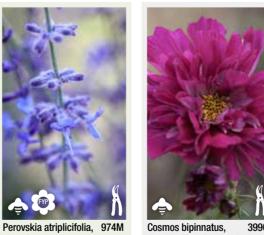
Verbena hastata. 'Pink Spires' Long spires of brilliant pink

120cm HP

var. alba



An attractive, white-woolly plant with densely leafy shoots and large white flowers borne gracefully on elongated stalks. 75cm HP



Long spikes of countless, small, tubular, deep sky-blue flowers. A splendid border plant that bees will not be able to resist.



'Double Click Cranberries' Exuberant frothy double flowers in a lovely shade of glamorous dark carmine-red. 90cm HHA £2.95



Eriaeron karvinskianus Daisy-like flowers in profusion only 3 months from sowing, open white but change to deep pink. 30cm HA/HHP £2.75



purpurea

well in water.

120cm HP

A splendid plant with large,

excellent for cutting and lasting

reddish-purple flowers,

Amaranthus cruentus. 'Hot Biscuits' Exciting variety with imposing. quite architectural spikes of warm, orange brown.

£2.25

150cm HA/HHA





Limonium sinuatum, 811T 'Apricot Beauty' Most popular everlasting flower in our favourite colour - apricotpink. Excellent for drying. Fastgrowing and super easy. 50cm HHA



Tropaeolum majus, 1258A 'Gleam Salmon' Apricot coloured variety of this popular series of double and semi-double Nasturtiums. 180cm HA(CI) £2.25



Antirrhinum majus, 'Chantilly Light Salmon', **F1 Hybrid** Ruffled open flowers in an exquisite colour range from palest pink to subtle apricot blush. 90cm HHA

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Cosmos bipinnatus,

Gorgeous Cosmos with

centres, edged in pink.

'Apricotta'



Amaranthus caudatus, 86X 'Coral Fountain' We love this variety with its unusual tassels of dusky pinky-coral.



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£2.45

Papaver orientale.

A poppy in a beautiful, vibrant

£2.75

'Coral Reef'

coral pink.

75cm HP

Helianthus annuus.

Unusual branched Sunflower

with appealing semi-double

blooms with fluffy centres in

an apricot blush colour.

'Astra Rose'

120cm HA



Antirrhinum majus, 'Doubleshot Peach', F1 Hybrid New series of Snapdragons with double, ruffled, open flowers with petals in shades of peachy-lemon and coral-orange. 50cm HHA

strong stems. 90cm HA/HHA



Helianthus annuus, Helichrysum 'Ms Mars' Shorter variety so a more manageable size for the average garden and perfect for popping in a vase. 12 seeds. 100cm HA 90cm HHA



bracteatum, 'Salmon Rose' Papery yet shiny, 'everlasting' daisy-like flowers in an unusual shade of orangey-pink.

£1.95



Digitalis purpurea. 'Dalmatian Peach' Possibly the fastest Digitalis on the market, this is our favourite colour - peachy-apricot. 15 seeds. 50cm HP/HB



Callistephus chinensis, 243E 'King Size Apricot' Huge, flamboyant blooms in a sumptuous creamy, apricot colour. 100cm HA/HHA £2.25 Zinnia elegans, 1311F 'Queen Lime Orange' A gradient of colour covers the petals from lime green fading through to peach and orange.

75cm HA/HHA £3.25

Penstemon barbatus, 967M 'Twizzle Coral' A vigorous first year flowering perennial. Strong stems with long spikes of coral-pink blooms. 15 seeds. 80cm HP



'Touch Of Red Buff' Interesting contemporary beigepink with darker brown petal tips gives a beautiful vintage effect. 60cm HA £2.65



Alcea rosea. 72G 'Halo Apricot' Stunning dark-centred, large single blooms of pinky, corally-apricot.

200cm HB/HP £2.95



Phlox drummondii

grandiflora, 'Cherry Caramel'

Subtle, antiquey caramel and

rosy-pink blooms with bold

pinky-red central stars.

'Vintage Brown' The colour of this unusual Stock variety might be more favourably described as a deep and dusky antique rose. 50cm HA/HHA







Antirrhinum majus, 107P 'Night & Day' Dark foliage provides the backdrop to the spikes of dark. velvety-crimson flowers with contrasting silvery-white throats. 45cm HHA



Cosmos bipinnatus, 'Rubenza' Exceptionally coloured, early flowering blooms of dark, rich ruby red, fading to antiqueyrose as they age. 80cm HHA £2.25



903X Nigella papillosa, 'African Bride' Large blooms of pure white petals with contrasting rich purple-black stamens, followed by decorative seed pods. 90cm HA



Centaurea cyanus, 'Classic Magic' Striking bicolor blooms in shades of mauve to dark purple for magical borders and bouquets.







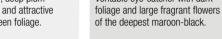




Aquilegia vulgaris var. 112R stellata, 'Black Barlow' quinata A native of Japan, this is a hardy, Stunning very double, purple-black blooms. vigourous climber with fragrant, chocolate-purple flowers. 12 seeds. £2.75 1200cm HP(CI) £3.95



Dianthus barbatus. 'Lauren's Grape' 'Sooty' Veritable eye-catcher with dark Crisp, velvety, deep plumpurple petals and attractive grey-blue-green foliage. 90cm HA £2.25



40cm HHA/HHP £2.25

450K



Amaranthus caudatus. Beautiful cascading pink and green bicolored blooms.

£2.45

110cm HA/HHA



90cm HP

'Black Magic' The prized Chocolate Cosmos. Darkly decadent flowers of velvety burgundy to almost black. 4 seeds. 60cm HHP £7.50



Angelica sylvestris, 'Ebony' A dramatic plant with intense dark purple foliage and beautiful dusky pink umbels.

£3.95 80cm HB





Nigella damascena. 902F 'Albion Black Pod' Interesting and unusual delicate white flowers and intriguing green stamens followed by dark, ornamental seed pods. 45cm HA



Rudbeckia hirta. 1130G 'Cherry Brandy' With flowers of the deepest crimson, this lovely variety is very easy and a wonderful, long lasting cut flower. 60cm HA/HHP



Papaver somniferum var. 953Y paeoniflorum, 'Purple Peony' Fully double blooms in very tasteful yet stunning shades of antiquey violet-purple. 90cm HA £2.45







Very fine, old, tall variety double flowers of rich deep maroon. 120cm HA £2.25







Dark flowered wild carrot with flowers in an attractive mix from white and pink to dark purple. £2.25 120cm HB



Alcea rosea, 'Summer Carnival' Early-flowering variety with fully double flowers in yellow, red, rose and white. Easily grown as a half-hardy annual. 180cm HB/HP £2.25



Linaria purpurea, 'Canon Went' A first class garden plant with spikes of lovely pink flowers in summer. 90cm HP £2.95



Nicotiana mutabilis On very branching stems, this bears all summer, a mass of flowers, from white to pale pink to magenta. 120cm HHA £2.35



272F Cardamine pratensis Charming native wild flower, found in damp meadows and by streams. Its appearance hails the arrival of spring. 40cm HP £1.95



Clarkia unguiculata, 'Appleblossom' Easy to grow annual with pretty, delicate blush pink blooms.

50cm HA £2.25



cannabina Light and airy plant with long, waving stems, each bearing several clusters of delicate pink blooms. 180cm HP £2.95



Cosmos bipinnatus, 401C 'Cupcakes Blush' Papery, pale-pink petals, some romantically streaked with tones of pink and white.

120cm HHA

£2.75







Matthiola incana, 'Appleblossom Delicate looking, white and very pale-pink blooms.

75cm HA/HHA

849N

£2.45



Antirrhinum majus, 103K 'Doubleshot Appleblossom', F1 Hybrid New series of Snapdragons with double,ruffled, open flowers with petals streaked with blush pink and cream. 50cm HHA



Delphinium consolida, 443T 'Fancy Belladonna' 'Lacy Pink' Beautiful Larkspur that we have enjoyed trialling for the past two years with pretty, pale, purply-pink flowers. 120cm HA

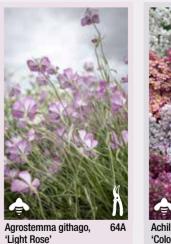


Didiscus caeruleus, Beautiful and charming pink-flowered Lace Flower. Flowers continuously from early summer through until first frost. 60cm HHA



1310T Quirky looking flowers with fluffy domes topping attractive

£3.15



Pretty, blush pink variety of this lovely wild flower. Easy to grow, good for cutting, flowering freely all summer long. 90cm HA £2.45



60cm HP

A diverse range of colours including red to pink to apricot, yellows, beige and bronze tones and occasional whites. £2.85



Eschscholzia californica, 534H 'Appleblossom Chiffon' Double flowers in an exquisite shade of shimmering, dappled silvery-pink.

£2.45

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25cm HA

Digitalis purpurea annua, 'Sutton's Apricot' 464M Beautiful award-winning variety with a lovely soft pink-apricot colour. 150cm HP/HB £2.35



Centaurea cyanus, 304Z 'Pink Ball' Pale pink Cornflowers.

90cm HA £1.95



Lathyrus odoratus. 'Mollie Rilstone' Fragrant waved flowers of delicate pink picotee on a cream background.

240cm HA(CI) £2.95 90cm HHA

£1.95 60cm HA/HHA

107R

Zinnia elegans,

'Zinderella' Lilac

lilac-pink blooms.

Antirrhinum majus,

Beautiful spikes of lovely,

delicate peachy-rose blossoms.

'Appleblossom'



Achillea filipendula, 'Parker's Variety'
A fine plant with grey-green foliage and bearing most of the summer bright yellow saucer-like flowers.

120cm HP £2.25



Lupinus polyphyllus, 'Chandelier'
Showy hardy, herbaceous perennial with large spikes in shades of yellow.

150cm HP £2.45



Carthamus tinctorius, 277A 'White Grenade'
Creamy-white, bold thistle-like flower-heads.

80cm HA



Rudbeckia fulgida, 1128C
'Goldsturm'
A fine plant for the border, producing a profusion of golden-yellow flowers with a contrasting, black, central cone.
60cm HP £2.55



Rhinanthus 1090C minor
Native wild flower with spikes of yellow flowers. Sow in meadows to weaken grasses and maximise wild flowers.
50cm HA £2.25

New



Anethum graveolens, 'Mariska'
Beautifully fragrant and particularly good for cutting.

60cm HHA/HHP £2.25



Craspedia globosa
Delightful and quirky plant with easily arrangeable, globular drumsticks of bright yellow flowers.

90cm HHA/HHP £2.45



Helichrysum 6770
bracteatum, 'Golden Yellow'
Papery, shiny flowers in rich
sunshiny dark golden yellow.
Perfect for cutting and drying,
they last almost forever.
90cm HHA £1.95



Antirrhinum majus, 103E 'Costa Apricot', F1 Hybrid A particularly desirable colour in the popular 'Costa' series.

90cm HHA £2.95







Limnanthes douglasii
This beautiful little plant is one of the most free-flowering and quick growing, with scented flowers loved by bees.

15cm HA £2.25



Calendula officinalis, 'Snow Princess'
The closest you'll get to a white Marigold.

60cm HA



Aquilegia chrysantha, 112A

A most beautiful and vigorous

species with large, long

spurred, graceful, soft

golden-yellow flowers.

'Yellow Queen'

Erysimum cheiri, 329 'Primrose Bedder' Compact, hearty plants with lovely, clear primroseyellow flowers.

£2.25

45cm HP/HB



Coreopsis x hybrida, 386M 'Incredible Dwarf Mix'
A favourite series in a brilliant range of not-seen-before colours; mixture of bicolors in dark red with cream or yellow.

50cm HHA £2.25



Phlox drummondii 985Z grandiflora, 'Isabellina' Super and very popular phlox with creamy yellow, buttery flowers.

60cm HA/HHA £2,25



Patrinia 961M scabiosifolia
With erect stems, this bears from summer to October lots of many-flowered umbels of bright golden-yellow flowers.

120cm HP £2.85



Helianthus debilis ssp 673F cucumerifolius, 'Vanilla Ice' Lovely, mouth-watering, creamy lemon-yellow petals with a dark chocolate sauce centre.

£2.25

150cm HA



Cosmos bipinnatus, 'Xanthos'
Fleuroselect Gold medal winner with unique, beautiful soft yellow flowers.

£2.75

60cm HHA

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Lathyrus odoratus. 'Cathy' Tall variety with cream flowers giving a beautiful frothy display

with a delicious scent. 250cm HA(CI)



A small yet delightful variety of fountain grass with charming fluffy flower-heads.

60cm HHP £2.65



£2.95

Atriplex hortensis, 154E 'Green Plume' Amazing, vivid green flower spikes supported by matching vivid green leaves. Excellent for cutting. 180cm HA/HHA



Agrostis nebulosa A beautiful ornamental grass for the flower arranger with large, delicate heads of tiny spikelets.

45cm HA



'Anytime Yellow'

60cm HA/HHA

Beautifully scented double,

creamy, pale yellow blooms.

£2.25

polyphylla Fascinating, rare and beautiful Aloe. Leaves start to spiral when the plant is around 40cm. Surprisingly hardy. 7 seeds.



gigantea .

180cm HP

Superb at the back of the

pale creamy-yellow flowers.

border, with large, scabious-like,

307J

£2.65

A wonderfully versatile ornamental grass with upright stems of dangling spikelets. A fabulous cut flower, fresh or dried. 120cm HP £2.25



An ornamental grass with pretty, nodding heads of oval-shaped, pearly-white spikelets. Great for drying. 45cm HA



var. alba Much sought-after rare white-flowered form of the beautiful true wild Foxglove.

£2.25 150cm HP/HB



An attractive plant with appealing, softly hairy, rounded, wavy-edged leaves, and large sprays of greenish-yellow flowers. 45cm HP



Tiny flowers are crowded together in a pin cushion head in a beautiful mix of pink, green and white. 60cm HP £2.85



Nicotiana alata. 'Lime Green' Tube-shaped, sweet-scented lime-green flowers are produced profusely all summer.

75cm HHA



Luffa cylindrica Grow your own loofah! Grow like a greenhouse cucumber. 15 seeds.

300cm HHA(CI) £2.65



Angelica 1373 archangelica With heavenly associations, the leaves are used for flavouring stewed fruits and in herbal teas. Beautiful flowers. 180cm HP £1.95



Zinnia elegans, 'Envy' Splendid variety with beautifully formed broad-petalled blooms; a "must" for the many lovers of green flowers . 60cm HA/HHA £2.35



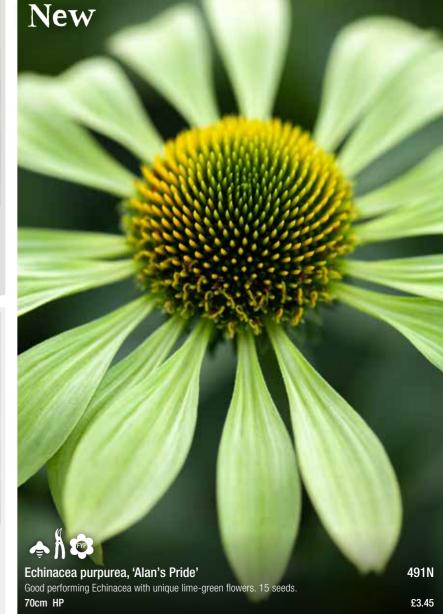
luteola A native wild flower with slender spikes of unusual creamyvellowish flowers. 150cm HB £2.25



£2.45



jubatum A most attractive annual grass with long, creamy-coloured, feathery flower spikes, lovely for cutting. 60cm HA £2.65

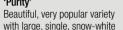




Cosmos bipinnatus, 397G 'Purity'

with large, single, snow-white flowers with a gold centre.

90cm HHA



£2.25



Scabiosa atropurpurea, 1148F 'Snowmaiden' Beautiful, pure white, double pincushion flowers.

90cm HA/HHA £2.65



922B grandiflora Attractive ferny foliage and lovely, lace-like, pure white umbels with distinctive long outer petals. 60cm HA £2.45



Lunaria annua var. alba White-flowered form of Honesty well known for its silvery, moon-like seed cases. 75cm HA/HB

£2.55

437R Daucus

carota Parent of the humble carrot dense umbels of white flowers loved by butterflies and bees. £2.25

90cm HB

Lathyrus odoratus,

White self-coloured Sweet Pea.

A variety voted the best white

by the National Sweet Pea

'Dorothy Eckford'

Society in 1907.

250cm HA(CI)



Echinops bannaticus. 492E 'Star Frost' A profusion of handsome, pure white, spherical blooms on wellbranched sturdy stems. Loved by bees and easy to grow. 90cm HP £2.95



Agrostemma githago. 'Bianca' Abundant, large, pure white flowers with silky satin petals with delicate dark speckling in the throat. 90cm HA £2.35



Gypsophila paniculata, 654C 'Single White' Clouds of numerous, tiny, star-shaped, single white flowers, excellent for cutting.

90cm HP £2.55



Anthriscus sylvestris, 107T 'Ravenswing' Elegant cow parsley with leaves which emerge green but turn a sombre purple-black.

90cm HP



£3.15





seed-heads. 120cm HP £2.55



Antirrhinum majus, 111K 'Admiral White', F1 Hybrid

Stunning and stately snapdragon with pure white

120cm HHA

flowers on strong stems.

Omphalodes 918 linifolia Charming plant with grey-green leaves and sprays of sweetscented, pure white flowers in profusion all summer. 45cm HA £2.75



Zinnia elegans, 'Benary's Giant White' Large, bright and eye-catching flowers.

90cm HA/HHA £3.15



Hesperis matronalis, 681R White Traditional cottage garden plant with beautifully perfumed white flowers which will scent an entire room. 90cm HP/HB £2.25



'Midnight Candy' Charming purple buds in the day open in the evening to reveal white, outstandingly fragranced blooms. 45cm HHA £2.85



Delphinium consolida. 443J 'White King' Regal yet charming spires of pure white.

£2.25

120cm HA



'Lady Jane' Rare and beautiful perennial with long arching dense spikes of small creamy-white flowers in late summer. 90cm HP £2.95

Matthiola incana. Traditional Field Grown Column Stock, 'Avalanche' Tightly packed blooms of large, fragrant snowy-white flowers.

£2.45

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75cm HA/HHA





1083A Splendid and vigorous climber producing a profusion of long, slender spikes of unusual crimson and vellow flowers 360cm HHA/HHP(CI) £2.25



Helichrysum bracteatum, 678F 'Copper Red' Lustrous bright coppery orange-red papery, shiny flowers. Perfect for cutting and drying, they last almost forever. 90cm HHA £2.25



Erysimum cheiri, 'Scarlet Bedder' Old variety with nice bushy bright, rich scarlet flowers. Very easy. 45cm HP/HB

627Y



plants covered with deep and



1223D Irrepressible French Marigold with lots of flowers, lots of petals and lots of colour combinations.

Carthamus tinctorius. 277P

£2.25

Striking variety with highly

coloured, deep orange,

thistle-like flowers.

'Zanzibar'

90cm HA

30cm HA/HHA

Deliciously aromatic, silvery

foliage with copious flames

of brilliant orange flowers.

£2.45

60cm HP



Nicotiana langsdorffii, 899A

Unusual, bronze-brown blooms

£2.45

adorn this interesting variety,

'Bronze Queen'

perfect for cutting.

120cm HHA

grow up to 7ft tall with bright, vivid, orange flowers. 10 seeds.

210cm HHA/HHP



'Indian Prince' Best-selling variety with eyecatching deep orange flowers.



Bupleurum longifolium, 226A 'Prince Of Orange' 'Bronze Beauty' Very beautiful, long-stalked A striking shade of bright orange. Stunning and heads of tiny yellow, true very unusual. flowers surrounded by unusual coppery-coloured bracts. 250cm HA(CI) £2.45 50cm HP



'Bad River' Ornamental grass bearing arching dragonfly-like flower panicles held horizontally. Excellent for cutting and drying. 60cm HP



Antirrhinum maius. 111A 'Madame Butterfly Bronze', F1 Hybrid Much coveted shade of vintage and rich apricot.

£3.75

75cm HHA



Emilia javanica, 503D 'Irish Poet' Beautiful variety with clusters of deep orange tassel-like flowers on long stems. 60cm HHA £2.25



Digitalis obscura, 'Sunset' From Spain comes this unusual and shrubby foxglove with nodding, red-veined, yellow flowers in summer. 120cm HP/HB £2.75



Geum chiloense,

'Blazing Sunset'

Double, blazing red flowers

to colour your garden from

May to October. 15 seeds.

Viola cornuta. 1278C 'Tiger Eye Red', F1 Hybrid Rather different dark bronze and purple flowers with dark brown stripes radiating from the centre in a most tiger-like fashion. 15cm HA/HB £3.45



Antirrhinum majus, 'Potomac Dark Orange' Handsome deep orange colour with a slight pinky tinge.

150cm HHA £3.75



45cm HA £1.95







Godetia grandiflora. 644B 'Tall Double Mixed' Tasteful mix of pink and purple blooms on tall stems good for cutting.

60cm HA

£2.25



1146Q Knautia macedonica One of the longest flowering of perennials producing a succession of lovely, dark crimson pin cushions. £3.35 60cm HP



741B Centranthus

Agastache hybrida, 'Arcado Pink' These long flower spikes are a smashing clear bright hot pink.

40cm HHP £2.85



Most beautiful soft pink and lavender colours.

150cm HHA £3.75



'Lilliput Purple' Small and perfectly formed pompom flowers on strong. perfect-for-cutting stems.

60cm HA/HHA £1.95



862K dioica A favourite haunt of bumble bees, this is one of our loveliest wild flowers. Bright rose-red blooms all summer. 90cm HP £1.95 60cm HP

New



Scabiosa atropurpurea, 1148X Abutilon hybridum 'Beauiolais Bonnets' maximum. **Giant Flowering Mixed** Beautiful deep wine coloured centres dotted with contrasting white stamens and pale pink ruffled outer petals. from sowing. £2.25 90cm HHSh



Exotic-looking, chalice-shaped flowers in only a few months £2.95



ruher Splendid, free flowering plant with spikes of pink, sweetscented flowers most of the summer. 75cm HP £1.95



Delphinium consolida, 442Y 'Salmon Beauty' Tall spires of unusual salmony pink, papery flowers.

120cm HA

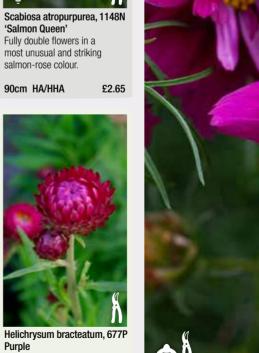


'Salmon Queen' Fully double flowers in a most unusual and striking salmon-rose colour.



£2.65 90cm HA/HHA

£2.25



Cosmos bipinnatus, 'Fandango'

dark pink with wispy central petals. 70cm HHA



Fleuroselect winning new medium height variety with lovely double flowers of the deepest, most vibrant



Limonium suworowii Different and striking with its dense, vertical spikes of pink flowers.

60cm HHA £2.35



Echinacea purpurea, 491G 'Green Twister' Very distinctive colouring with bright lemon-green petals with centres blushed with pinky-purple. 12 seeds. 100cm HP



Dianthus barbatus. 451W 'Auricula Eyed Mixed' Huge, scented single flowers in a wide colour range, each with an attractive eye. 45cm HHA/HHP £2.25 Lupinus polyphyllus, 828F

'My Castle' Showy hardy, herbaceous perennial with large spikes in shades of red.

£2.45

150cm HP

Echinacea purpurea,

'Magnus' Splendid & robust plants with strong stems and super large purple-pink flowers with a touch of fragrance. 100cm HP

Achillea millefolium. 36W 'Summer Berries' Lovely clusters of flowers in a gorgeous mix of pinks, coral, apricot, red and purple.

60cm HP

Papery, everlasting flowers of cerise purply-pink. Wonderful cut flowers and perfect for drying, lasting almost forever. 90cm HHA

Purple



Lathyrus odoratus,

Robust, hardy strain with

beautiful flowers with mauve

wings and a maroon standard.

'Cupani'

Heady scent.

250cm HA(CI)

765Z

Callistephus chinensis, 243R

Stunning, quite other-wordly

with something of a lustre.

shade of glimmering blue grey,

'Lady Coral Lavender'

70cm HA/HHA



Consolida regalis, 'Blue Cloud' A very different Larkspur a most attractive bushy plant bearing masses of violet-blue flowers. 75cm HA £2.35



Centaurea cyanus, True Wild Form Well known wild flower with cottony foliage and beautiful blue flowers, beloved by bees and butterflies. 90cm HA £1.95



Lathyrus odoratus, 769N 'Charlie's Angel' Beautiful large flowers in a lovely, subtle, pale watercolour blue with a heavenly scent.

240cm HA(CI)

'Firmament'

40cm HA

Indigo-blue flowers are



australis summer. 15 seeds. 150cm HP



A particularly fine plant for the back of the border with spikes of indigo-blue flowers in early



Salvia farinacea. 1136R 'Victory Blue' Beautiful, dark blue flower spikes with attractive dark, almost blue, 50cm HHA £2.45



produced very freely for bright colour in early summer borders. £2.25 60cm HP



'Perfection Blue' Beautiful, large, deep blue flowers on strong stems perfect for cutting, lasting well in water.



Agastache rugosa, 'Liquorice Blue' Beautiful long spikes of numerous whorls of purple-blue flowers. A bold plant for the border and excellent cut flower. 90cm HP



'Dropmore' Smart perennial with large panicles of lovely deep blue flowers all summer.

£2.45



'Blue Butterfly' Graceful plants are covered with A free-branching Larkspur with clouds of beautiful blue flowers lavender-blue unusually shaped for most of the summer. tubular flowers all summer long. 40cm HA

40cm HHA £2.45



£2.15

Beautiful violet-blue flowers, borne continuously from June to September. One of our loveliest wild flowers. 120cm HP



'Blue Bell' Long, slender spikes of large, nodding, papery, lilac-blue flowers from June to August. Excellent for cutting.

Salvia viridis. 1138D 'Oxford Blue' An old, tried and tested variety with the "flowers" coloured to match its name. 45cm HA £2.25

90cm HHP





Narrow sprays of spectacular sky-blue flowers. Grown as an annual, flowering in only a few months from seed. £3.95





Verbena officinalis var. 1274D grandiflora, 'Bampton' Clouds of little purple-pink flowers on wiry, dark, purplegreen branching stems and deliciously dark foliage. 100cm HP



Purple-violet With its beautifully perfumed purple-violet flowers, this is a traditional cottage garden favourite. 90cm HP/HB £2.25



Malva sylvestris mauritiana Rich dark purple flowers boldly marked with even darker stripes. 100cm HP £2.25



Lunaria 827E rediviva Fragrant, purplish flowers followed by mother-of-pearl coloured seed pods. 90cm HP £2.95



Penstemon barbatus. 967N 'Twizzle Purple' Rich and vibrant, very dark pink-purple. Very eye-catching. 15 seeds. 80cm HP £2.85



Attractive species from China with large, loose panicles of mauve flowers with long drooping stamens with vellow anthers. 120cm HP £2.45



Thymus serpyllum 1244A Perfect plant for paved areas. forming a mat of delightfully aromatic foliage, and in summer a profusion of pink-purple flowers. 8cm HP £1.95



Vibrant Violets 1148Z Scabiosa atropurpurea, 'Blue Cockade' Superb variety with very large, brilliant blue flowers on long strong stems. 120cm HA/HHA £2.45



Matthiola Iongipetala Nothing can equal the effect of this exquisite fragrance on the warm night air in summer.

30cm HA



Delphinium consolida, 442T 'Smokey Eyes' Tall spikes of double greenywhite blooms elegantly tinged with touches of greyish-purple.

120cm HA



814J Linaria maroccana, 'Licilia Violet' Charming baby Snapdragonlike, fast growing, bright purple flowers.

£2.25

50cm HA



Verbascum 1280Y phoeniceum, 'Rosetta' Flower spikes are densely wrapped in large but delicate blossoms of an intense dark carmine colour. 60cm HP

Lunaria

annua

purple flowers.

75cm HA/HB

Honesty, well known for the



Salvia nemorosa. 1138L 'Rose Queen' Long, generous spikes of rich pink flowers.

£2.95



'Sugar Rush Purple Bicolor' Robust, floriferous and sweet-scented wallflowers in a lovely, rich lavender with darker magenta. 30cm HP/HB £3.25



'Flagship' Unusually coloured, vivid dark blue-purple flowers, some with distinctive darker veining. A lovely scent. 240cm HA(CI) £2.65



(Mentha pulegium) This variety of mint is an easily grown, spreading plant with clusters of pretty lilac flowers. Lovely strong scent. 30cm HP £1.95



'Blue Spires' Long spires of scores of dark blue flowers, individually delightful, gorgeous by the spire-full. 120cm HP



'Vanity' More compact variety with intense, fragrant blue flowers that will encourage bees from miles around. 80cm HP £2.75

silvery, moon-like remains of the seed cases. Attractive bright £2.45 60cm HP

## Grow Your Own

Rekha Mistry is a gardener, writer, blogger and presenter

on Gardeners' World. Here she shares with us a few tips for growing some of our favourite vegetables from her years of kitchen gardening.

For more detailed advice from Rekha, you can read her book, out now: Rekha's Kitchen Garden Follow on Instagram @rekha.garden.kitchen

**Tomatoes** 

Whether a novice or a

small holding grower, it's a vegetable available

situation. Large gardens,

for every growing

greenhouses and polytunnel space will

happily accommodate both bush (determinate)

as well as upright vining varieties (indeterminate)

A small balcony space

will easily accommodate

hanging basket varieties









Cherry Tomato, 18030 'Apero', F1 Hybrid Possibly the best tasting cherry tomato on the market? Rich red. slightly elongated fruits look as good as they taste. 6 seeds.

Beef Tomato, 1848E

'Costoluto Fiorentino' This traditional Italian, handsome tomato is firm, sweet, juicy and fragrantly delicious. Copes well with British weather.



'Sungold', F1 Hybrid A delicious, extra sweet, rich orange, cherry type Tomato produced in heavily laden trusses all summer. 10 seeds.



Tomato, 1369Y 'Crimson Crush', F1 Hybrid British bred tomato with quite a following. Suitable for growing outside, an excellent flavour and stand out blight resistance.



Beetroot. 'Boltardy' Our most popular beetroot. excellent quality and superb colour and texture.





'Blue Lake' Clusters of pods with an bountiful harvest is to be incomparable flavour. had until hard frost hits.



Baby Cucumber, 'National Pickling' 'Mini Munch'. F1 Hybrid Super dependable variety with This is, of course, your cucumber designed for pickling small fruits with smooth, thin use. High yielding, vigorous and and tender skins and a superior easy to grow outdoors. flavour on vigorous plants. 5 seeds.



'Marketmore' £3.95



Cucumber. Outstanding and reliable ridge cucumber variety: easily grown outdoors in a typical English £2.25



Cucumber

By far a gardener's favourite vegetable to grow. Although they can be grown in the greenhouse, I've always favoured the outdoor varieties for their steady harvest rather than prolific production under glass.

I've enjoyed them in many summer salads but it's

during the dark winter days when slices of spiced

vinegar-soaked gherkins are enjoyed tossed into warm lentil and feta cheese salads that I know it's

Courgette, 1826M 'Genovese' Classic Italian heirloom courgette with lightly mottled. smooth, pale green fruits with a delicious and delicate flavour.



Courgette, 'Costata Romanesco' Very distinct, splendid heirloom variety from Rome. Very large, vining plants with long, fluted, tender fruits up to 60cm.

#### Courgette

Not only have I found it to be a productive plant but a great space-filler and space-saver in any garden. With climbing varieties available, fruits draping on a frame in a small balcony or courtyard garden is a very pleasing upright structure in small spaces.



'Black Forest', F1 Hybrid Superb, space-saving climbing variety with dark green fruits. 4 seeds.

Climbing French

This is a superb variety.

Bean, 'Hunter'

£3.95

Courgette,

'Gold Rush', F1 Hybrid

With its shining golden-yellow

fruits this is a very fine and

attractive variety. 9 seeds.



1358B

Dwarf French 1815H Bean, 'Elba' Fast maturing variety with super unusually with flat pods. Virtually slim, flavourful beans over a long stringless beans are very tender period. A wonderful flavour, very and delicious, perfect for slicing. fine in every way. £2.95

#### Bean

One vegetable, 2 different harvests. Early summer plants provide me with fresh, tender, colourful pods of climbing French beans. I'll intertwine the bean poles with a companion plant like Nasturtium (the peppery bright flowers are edible too). Then my direct sown dwarf French beans take their place mid summer to help continue fresh production. At this time the climbers have started to ripen to provide the dried bean harvest for winter stews.



Beetroot. 'Chioggia' Striking heirloom Italian variety with ornamental, contrasting dark pink and white alternating £2.25





Improved model of Boltardy with especially smooth skin and excellent colour.

£2.15



1354C Beetroot. 'Golden Globe' Gorgeous golden globes. Obvious really. With superb, consistent and uniform roots and absolutely no stains!



£2.15

direct sown in drills, sown in a semi-shade area that has the previous season's rich soil. Beetroot is very forgiving when I've neglected watering duties every now and again. Sow a short 30cm row every month from April to August and a fresh

£2.45

210cm

Climbing French Bean, 1706



Cavolo Nero, 1758C 'Black Magic' Very popular British bred variety. Uniform and hardy with dark. narrow leaves. Also great for baby leaves.



'Midnight Sun' Vivid and vibrant bright pink veins spread through frilly green leaves to brighten up your winter vegetable patch. £2.65



1758B Kale 'Red Russian' Crinkled, frilly leaves with unusual purple venation. colours intensifying as winter approaches. Tender texture and gourmet flavour. £2.25

#### Kale

The rosettes of these elongated leaves are hailed a superfood with high nutritional value and the plants provide leaves for 8 months in a year. Start in spring and provide with humus-rich compost during the summer months. These tall plants may require staking as summer turns to autumn to stop them rocking in the winter winds, all the while providing fresh foliage until spring arrives.





Carrot, 'Eskimo', F1 Hybrid Award-winning carrot that doesn't mind things on the chilly side. Late crops from November to January – excellent frost



Carrot, 1736E 'Atomic Red' Fantastic dark red carrot with a lovely sweet, strong flavour; lightly cook to intensify the colour.



Carrot, 1736N 'Short and Sweet' Bred for shorter roots so perfect for heavy or poor soil and even in large containers. Super sweet, bright orange and full of



Carrot, 'Purple Dragon' New carrots with a high sugar content giving them a delicious sweet, almost spicy flavour.

#### Lettuce

A very forgiving plant when it comes to growing position; it loves partial shade but will cope with full shade in summer. Tuck the plants in the ground, containers or even hanging baskets. They are happy, as long as watering duties are not neglected. For an array of summer-long fresh harvests, I sow a selection of seeds every 4 weeks.



'Marvel of Four Seasons' Introduced before 1885 is this ornamental variety with green leaves deeply tinged with bright bronze-red. An asset to any



Lettuce. 1760D 'Oakleaf Heirloom variety introduced in 1771 with a compact rosette of tender, light green, oakleafshaped leaves. Very hardy and resists bolting.



Lettuce. Mixture of lots of different lettuce varieties, including both popular and lesser known types.

£2.75

### Carrots

These tasty taproots will hook a gardener's inner child to grow carrots. With a plethora of varieties we are spoilt for choice. Direct sow in prepared drills flanked either side with spring onions and calendula to help ward off carrot root fly. The only problem is which to choose to grow this year.



Broccoli. Broccoli. 1354G 'Early Purple Sprouting' 'Green Sprouting' Delicious, very hardy and prolific, Easy to grow, producing many producing numerous small, small to medium blue-green purple heads of excellent sweet heads over a long season. Eat the leaves, buds and stems £2.15 as well!



Broccoli. 1715B 'Summer Purple' We can now offer you sprouting broccoli all year round! Sow in spring for a harvest of superior, tender spears from July to

November.

#### Broccoli

To grow or not to grow, will always utter my lips. Why? Because for 9 months starting late spring they grow in full sun, taking up nutrients and moisture putting on height and girth. During the winter they need staking and protection from birds and pests. However, with the first sign of warmth the following spring these plants produce the most delicious sprouting stems ever tasted. Now there's even a summer variety so we don't miss out!



1361E 'Marina di Chioggia A beautiful squash bearing large, warty fruits of deep bluegreen.10 seeds.

£3.15



Squash, 1361T 'Black Futsu' Japanese heirloom, heavily ribbed with dark green, almost black, skin, lighter as it matures, with a sweet and nutty flavour. 10 seeds.



Squash, 1361L 'Disco' Flattened white fruits with an attractive scalloped edging and lovely smooth shiny skin! They have a tasty artichoke-like

## With a lovely crisp but soft texture, this is a really smashing

Squash It always amazes me how a small, flat, oval seed can produce not just a large trailing plant but equally large fruits too. They appreciate rich, moisture

Gorgeous little gem lettuce with

unusually dark red edged leaves.

lettuce.

retaining soil in a sunny location and are happy to sprawl as long as they receive water and feed over the summer months when young fruits are establishing. Otherwise, plants are happy to be left alone. The amazing shaped fruits are ready to be harvested in early autumn.

## Capsicum

Starting seeds early has the advantage of fruits arriving in early summer. Regardless of the spice-heat level, these self-pollinating plants will produce well when positioned under glass. Provide weekly high potash feed and harvests can be enjoyed until the start of winter. The question is, from this vast range, which varieties to choose?



Chilli Pepper. 'Jalapeno' Prolific grower with glossy. green hot fruits, turning bright red. Best grown inside but try in a sunny spot outside.



Chilli Pepper, 1823T 'Tabasco', F1 Hybrid Well known chilli producing small, upright fruits that ripen from yellow-green to bright red. Super hot and are surprisingly easy to grow.10 seeds. £2.45



Sweet Pepper. 1822C 'Corno di Toro Rosso Sweet, red. fleshy, tapering fruits. They are great tasting, perfect grilled on the barbecue.

£2.45

'Padron' Used in tapas in Spain for a lovely splash of bright green. Usually mild (pick young) but the odd one will be surprisingly hot! £2.95 15 seeds.

Chilli Pepper.

#### Other Vegetables



Swiss Chard, 1368C 'Rainbow' Mixed Beautiful mixture of chards with succulent stems in shades of red, orange, yellow, cream and white. £2.25



Like tiny cabbages with frilly purple and green leaves growing sprout-like, up a central stem. Mild, sweet and distinctively nutty taste. £3.45



Climbing French Bean, 1817A 'Barlotto Lingua di Fuoco 2' Large decorative pods splashed and striped with bright red.

£2.65

180cm



'All the Year Round' Popular and well known variety that can be sown for harvesting at practically any time of the £2.25



Very vigorous variety for all year round (protect in winter). The glossy green leaves have a mild minty flavour, ideal for salads. £2.15



1602 Agretti, 'Roscano' Chivey-samphire flavoured fleshy needle-shaped leaves. Delicious with olive oil and lemon. An Italian delicacy. £2.35



1810 Aubergine, 'Black Beauty' Introduced about 1910 and long popular with home gardeners, very reliable with a good flavour. £1.95



1370M 'Chiltern Seeds Nasturtium. Fiery Mix' Salad Leaves 'Blue Pepe' Unlike other Nasturtiums grown Spicy salads to make your tastebuds tingle. Lots of lovely for their flowers, specifically leaves in a mixture of colours. bred for its peppery (and attractive) leaves. £2.35



'Apache' Very decorative variety with deep purple, glossy skin, contrasting beautifully with dark green £2.25



Cucamelon 1359M Very popular and very easy, producing an abundance of mini watermelons with the flavour of cucumber and lime.

£2.25



1377G Specially selected for growing outside in UK conditions, very robust bright green leaves.

£2.35

Cabbage, 1729 'Red Drumhead' A popular and well known variety with dark red, solid hearts. A March sowing will mature from mid-September.



'Calypso' British-bred 'Calypso' is the slowest bolting variety and perfect for the home herb



Edamame Bean, 'Green Shell' New compact variety producing very tasty beans reliably in UK £3.45



1801 Perpetual Spinach Succulent leaves and stems are cooked just like ordinary Spinach, but can be cut over a much longer period. £1.95



Mange Tout Pea, 1371N 'Carouby de Maussane' Very ornamental variety with attractive purple flowers followed by tender and sweet 150cm



Radish, Wild Rocket, 'French Breakfast' 'Dragon's Fire' An old favourite with long bright Distinctive red-veined rocket red, oval-shaped roots with a leaves with an improved mild but tasty flavour. peppery flavour.

£1.95



£2.65

£2.25

'Italian Giant' Lovely large, plain leaves with a strong, distinctive and delicious flavour.

£2.25



Leek, 'Musselburgh' A very old and extremely hardy favourite with long, thick stems and dark leaves.

£2.15



or Land Cress A splendid substitute for Watercress. Ready in a couple of months from sowing.

£2.25



Musk Strawberry 594Q This is the gourmet fruit with an intense aroma and a taste of its own - like strawberries, raspberries and pineapple.

£3.15



Lemongrass Robust perennial with lemonscented, narrow, long-pointed, green, blade-like leaves up to 3ft in length. £2.45



'Principe' Easy to grow, picked when green, the pods can be quickly boiled and eaten like Edamame. Delicious! £2.95



'Baby (Leaf) Come Back', Cut & Come Again Salad Leaves Mix The best salad leaves that keep on growing after the first pick. Pick a few leaves regularly for a supply of fresh new leaves. £2.35



Sweetcorn. 'Earlibird', F1 Hybrid Earliest cropping variety with a super sweet flavour.



Pea, 'Kudo' Excellent new long-podded variety containing sweet and tasty peas. 120cm £2.45



Basil. 1375B 'Minette' Bred for growing in pots; compact plants have ever so tiny leaves, perfect for sprinkling on salads. Very ornamental.



Watermelon. 'Little Darling', F1 Hybrid Grew brilliantly in pots outside the office here, bearing small, tasty fruits in only a couple of months from sowing. 6 seeds.

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