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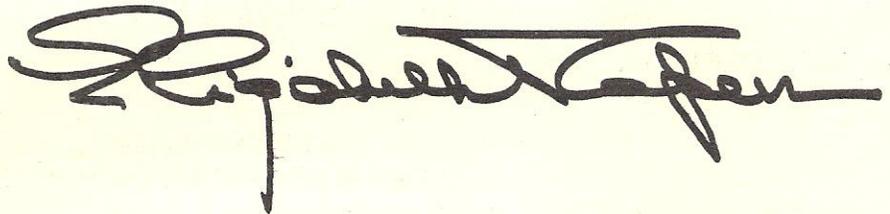
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**Small Daffodils
for Landscapers, Rock Gardeners, Hybridizers**

Dear Friends,

At long last, the perfect spring! Early April found the sparkle of little ones in patches and drifts ameliorating the bleak chill of north Jersey. Only the speckled branches of early Cornus, the lavender glow of Rho. mucronulatum, and the honey-scented Lonicera with a scattering of blues joined them to tempt one from the fireplace. We vowed to extend every patch and drift this year.

At the national convention, weather woes from every corner sounded the theme. We feared our fate. But rather, it was a joy to watch the gradually unfolding dafs and their companions. Peak on schedule — no snow — heat wave — wind to mar — lasting, gradually blending to later scenes. Our only regret: so many of you live too far to join us. We offer a few of our favorite small ones. Perhaps, a few may brighten the scene for you.



Species

The start of them all.

The supply is uncertain. Some years, our supplier has offered us some too late to list. If such should occur again, please indicate if you would prefer another species if your selection should prove unavailable. These we have been offered:

<i>NAME</i>	<i>PER 10</i>	<i>PER 100</i>
<i>Asturiensis</i> - Earliest, smallest trumpet to start the season.	\$6.60	\$44.
<i>Midget</i> - Early trumpet; 3-5 inches, but larger than minimus. More valuable in landscape... 	\$4.10	\$27.
<i>Minor</i> - Yellow trumpet, a little taller and later than minimus. Our first splash. We associate with dicentra, waldsteinia, and bloodroot. Nice at the edge of the woods..	\$5.60	\$37.
<i>Triandrus</i> - The little wild bells with umbels of 2-6 tiny blooms has been the nomenclature toy of botanists from Linnaeus on and is available as follows:		
 <i>triandrus or albus</i> - whites of varying tints and shapes	\$5.60	\$37.
 <i>concolor</i> - tints of yellow to the rare golden	\$5.20	\$34.
 <i>pulchellus</i> - with pale yellow perianth and white cup.	\$5.65	\$38.

Hybrids

Intercrossing and outcrossing bring variety and vigor.

Some of Mr. Gray's, Mr. Gerritsen's, and Mr. Mitsch's best have reached the hands of the competent bulb-growing Dutch, making them cheap enough for lavish use. Others are grown here in one of the coldest daffodil gardens. You can count on their hardiness.

TRUMPETS - Corolla longer than perianth.

NAME	PER 10	PER 100
All yellow.		
<i>Little Gem</i> - Part of the earliest picture. Interplanted with Baby Moon or Sun Disc gives a long period of bloom.	\$4.95	\$33.
<i>Small Talk</i> - A little chrome from Mr. Mitsch with right-angled pose and flat perianth. Limit one.	\$5. each	
Bi-color.		
<i>Little Beauty</i> - The standard of the type is from Jack Gerritsen. Scattered among later bloomers, it will wake up an area in early March.	\$5.90	\$39.
<i>Lilliput</i> - Similar to Little Beauty, with wider perianth and creamy cup, finishing with rolled edge. Limit one.	\$5. each	
<i>Rockery Beauty</i> - Handsome, well-formed, one Mr. Gray admired, that we were growing when the ADS reported it lost.....	3 for \$10.	
<i>Gypsy Queen</i> - Perhaps more for rock gardeners than daffodil fanciers, bred (but not spelled) by Mr. Gray after withdrawing from American supplying. Its rather flat star perianth shades from white to yellow, as does its narrow trumpet with its slightly flaring mouth.	\$8. each	
<i>Little King</i> - A prim little reverse, new to the scene	\$6.70	\$45.
<i>Tosca</i> - Another of Mr. Gray's later ones, larger than the others. Creamy perianth; long straight trumpet with nice flare	\$8. each	
All white.		
<i>Alec Gray</i> - The best we have seen so far. Well-formed, floriferous, fertile, it won its show spurs this spring for John Blanchard at the London Alpine Society show. Mr. Gray sanctioned our naming for him	\$50. each	
<i>Elka</i> - A seedling from Mr. Gray produced a rare white trumpet here, and when Kate Reade discovered those I gave her bloomed like crazy when mixed with horse manure, I consented to register it, using our two first names. A charming little flower.	\$12. each	

TRIANDRUS - Cluster of bells.

<i>Hawera</i> - Cluster to five light yellow little bells in sun or slight shade, makes a neat edge. We also or interplant with an early trumpet and among myosotis or phlox stolonifera	\$4.15	\$27.
<i>Samba</i> - This love of rare coloring, the red of the short cup, suffusing the yellow perianth, has reached the quantity market.	\$7.50	\$50.
<i>Dawn</i> - This unique cross with a poet always catches the eye with its flat yellow cup and fly-away wings.....	3 for \$10.	

CYCLAMINEUS - Cup reflexed - a wonderful group for the north. Early and hardy.

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<i>Tête-à-Tête</i> - Mr. Gray's and now everyone's pet miniature hybrid. First to bloom with 1-3 prim little flowers per stem. As not reflexed, it's been dumped into Div. XII, but still child of Cyclataz, we list it here.	\$4.20	\$28.
<i>Jumble</i> - Pod sibling of above, the landscaper's delight for its continuing bloom. The only plants on the place contributing to both our visiting days - 3 weeks apart.	\$3.60	\$24.
<i>Quince</i> - The third of that amazing trio from Cyclataz, has a short cup and blooms later.	\$6.60	\$44.

JONQUILS - Sun-loving group with 1-3 short cupped flowers. Here are the hardy ones.

<i>Sundial</i> - Touch of green adds sparkle to the earliest small golden jonquil. Paired with the following, provides weeks of bloom.	\$4.95	\$33.
<i>Sun Disc</i> - Precise little circles of two-toned yellow provide sentry duty before earlier flowers, distracting the eye from fading blooms.	\$4.95	\$33.
<i>Baby Moon</i> - Tiny gold cluster ends the season. We interplant with an early trumpet or sprinkle among iris verna.	\$3.40	\$22.
<i>Stafford</i> - Well-formed, two-toned, singly born flower is one of Mr. Gray's best. (Our stock came directly from him, as did others we offer, except as noted.	\$10. each	
<i>Sweet Treat</i> - Two bright yellow little jonquils with darker cup from the brush of Eileen Mitsch Frye add a different element to the late scene. Prolific and hardy.	\$8. each	
<i>Doll Baby</i> - Pink-cupped sport of Demure, originating here and named for our first daughter, so dubbed by a visitor.	\$20. each	

To supplement the smallest, we offer a few, still under standard size, that we use by hundreds landscaping here, in Connecticut, and in Maine.

<i>Charity May</i> - Mr. Coleman's sine qua non cyclamineus to open the main display	\$6.20	\$41.
<i>Beryl</i> - Everyone's pet. Chameleon-tinted unique cross of a poet and cyclamineus, equally at home in brooklets in Maine or at woodland's edge in New Jersey	\$8.80	\$59.
<i>Quail</i> - A Mitsch cluster of yellow jonquils provides an extended colorful spot fronting a planting of earlier bloomers (Not tested in Maine)	\$4.20	\$28.
<i>Petrel</i> - To end the season with a dramatic splash, we cherish a row and patches of Grant's elegant, snow-white multi-flowered triandrus	\$6.60	\$44.

We will lift and ship those from here as soon as possible. Holland-grown arrive early fall. We ask no minimum, but remind Jerseyites our sales tax is now 6%. Please, enclose check with your order. For those who can collect their bulbs here, we have a sample of Mr. Gerritsen's ice-white Nanus #7. Of others, we ask 10% for shipping. Discount applies to orders over \$100. Cultural directions are included. 🐾

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We welcome you to Springdale 2-5 P.M. Saturday, April 10th to see the start of the season with many miniatures and three weeks later, on May 1st, which should find our 1000 variety test beds of new standards at peak. (Rain date - first clear day) We look forward to seeing you then.