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A Miniature Universe



13 mixed small daffs in the clover

Top Row, left to right: Chappie, Bebop, Bobbysoxer, Minnowlet.

Bottom row: Fairy Chimes, Assoanus, Flomay, Snipe, Wilkommii.

We always try to introduce miniatures to the new daffodil crowd on the first date. Newcomers are likely thinking, "These are a horticultural anomaly, and let's get on to those large and frilly pink daffodil plants we saw when we first came in."

But this seed has been set — this is a separate, parallel universe within a grand genus. Closely hewing to the size and spirit of species narcissus, the miniature universe is varied and satisfying enough to stand alone, apart.

Miniatures are not a separate division, but a classification that can include little cultivars from any division. Most bulb houses list Tete a Tete, Minnow and Sundisc for that category and move on. All fine Alec Gray cultivars.

QDaffs endeavors to go deep into the daffodil universe where no bulb house has gone before: offering 48 ADS miniatures. Plus quite a few other non-certified small fries.

If you haven't planted miniatures in your garden before, you will surely be pleased, and surprised at how tiny and perfect they can be. Miniatures play well with others. Just don't let the neighbor's new high-rise throw too much of a shadow later in the spring.



<u>Cyclataz</u> is the lovechild of a species CYCLAmineus and the TAZetta "Grande Soleil d'Or". Vigorous, floriferous, wild in form, rich in color. <u>Cyclataz</u> does well in pot culture. A bit scruffy but makes a stands sharp in the bed. ADS Historic. ADS Miniature.



A diminutive and spirited fellow, **Medway Gold** punches well above his weight. A modern cultivar, a cross of species <u>Assoanus</u> and <u>Gipsy Queen</u>, <u>Medway</u> is a jonquil that sports a starry perianth and a deep cup. Smells good. Way cute. Remarkable for its vigor, destined for the big leagues. ADS Miniature.



On some days <u>Pledge</u> looks like a crystal white species pseudonarcissus who was present at the Creation. It is hard to believe that he is actually a Gen X'er blessed with a carefree natural demeanor. Star shaped petals that are inflexed and twisted complement a rolled trumpet-length cup. Resonate in a chorus of 6 or 12 bulbs. One of the very best miniatures and deserving of allegiance. ADS Miniature.



Aerospace precision in the early garden, Alec Gray's <u>Jetage</u> is a pint-sized cyclamineus cross trumpet. Faces horizontal, early and long lasting. Best of both worlds.



<u>Chipper</u> is a sentimental favorite, sumptuous, mild and always vertical. Very petite Triandrus. Reflexed and pendant. Shame to stuff the picture into a little square box.

We are open for orders until July 4th, 2021! Happy gardening.







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