

DAFFODIL BULBS 1979

SPECIAL OFFERS FOR WORLD DAFFODIL CONVENTION YEAR

No. 1—About 10 for 25 lbs. net weight (1000) bulbs for exhibition in at least six different countries, 1000 bulbs for each country which give your country a good reputation in the world. Price 2.50 per 1000 post free by air to U.S.A. or Canada.

No. 2—A SPECIAL OFFER of ten selected quality bulbs for each country of exhibitors of exhibitors which have their own exhibition. Price 2.50 per 1000 post free by air to U.S.A. or Canada.

We will also make up a special offer to include any exhibition varieties specially wanted. It is possible to arrange for a special offer for a U.S. exhibitor. Price 2.50 per 1000 post free by air to U.S.A. or Canada. The exhibitor must be a member of the U.S.A. or Canada Daffodil Convention.

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BALLYDORN BULB FARM
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ARRANGEMENT OF LIGHT AND COOLING SYSTEM

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CULTURAL DIRECTIONS FOR DAFFODILS

To obtain best results a sunny well drained soil of good depth is essential. The soil should be rich in humus and should be well manured. The soil should be well manured. The soil should be well manured.

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The World Daffodil Convention will visit Northern Ireland in 1979 and to mark the occasion we are making the two special offers below of bulbs for exhibition which will include some of our newest named cultivars, and seedlings selected for naming, which have been successful when exhibited.

The Northern Ireland Daffodil Group has organised the World Convention visit, and in connection with this visit has arranged for the production of two special publications which can be ordered from us, and each of which has special value for everyone interested in the breeding and growing of daffodils.

1. "Daffodils in Ireland." An illustrated hand-book with original articles by experts from many countries. £2.50 (US \$5.00) including postage.
2. A stamp booklet containing the new daffodil stamp to be issued by the British Post Office on 24th March, 1979. This booklet will be issued in a limited edition in conjunction with the Belfast Stamp Shop, and should become a collectors item for philatelists. Price not yet fixed, but will not exceed £2.50 (US \$5.00) including postage.

SPECIAL OFFERS FOR WORLD DAFFODIL CONVENTION YEAR

No. 1 — About 10 (or 3½ lbs. net weight) bulbs for exhibition in at least six classes, made up exclusively of cultivars which have been prize-winners as named varieties or under a seedling number. Catalogue value at least \$75.00. **\$50.00 post free by air to U.S.A. or Canada. £20.00 post free to U.K. or Eire.**

No. 2 — A SPECIAL PARCEL of ten selected numbered seedlings made up exclusively of cultivars which have either gained an exhibition award individually or as a member of a group, or have been provisionally selected by us for naming, subject to favourable reports from growers. **\$30.00 post free by air to U.S.A. or Canada. £10.00 post free to U.K. or Eire.**

We will also make up a parcel to include any exhibition varieties specially wanted, if available, to a specified cost: **£5 upwards for a U.K. order or U.S. \$30 upwards for an order from the U.S.A. or Canada, plus the actual cost of air or surface mail as required.**

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STERLING - U.S. DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE

U.S. and Canadian orders: Prices have been converted at the arbitrary rate of \$2.00=£1, and additional bulbs will be sent to make good any difference between this rate, and the actual rate when an order is received.

Postage charges are likely to be increased again in the near future, and we suggest that for air mail delivery U.S. \$10 should be added for orders of 10-20 bulbs and U.S. \$20 for 20-50 bulbs. For surface parcel mail add U.S. \$6 for up to 30 bulbs, U.S. \$10 for 50 bulbs. We shall also add free bulbs to make good any such payments for air or surface mail postage. Parcels by surface mail will be posted before 1st September, if bulbs are fully dried out.

NO VALUE ADDED TAX is added to orders from the United Kingdom or overseas.

CHOICE NEW DAFFODILS

NEW INTRODUCTIONS FOR 1979

- 2w-o BRAVE ADVENTURE 3 (Ballydorn).**
Bravura x Ballymaster cross. Very large bold flower of good colour contrast. None available 1979.
 - 2w-y DUNDROD 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
From Preamble seed by unknown pollen parent. Previously seedling 72/2B/1. A well coloured bi-colour of great substance and good form. **£5; \$10.00 each**
 - 2y-r FIRESTORM 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
A Vulcan cross resembling its seed parent, but bolder brighter colour in crown. One of the winning Silver Simmonds Medal group RHS 1978. Previously seedling 77/Vulcan X/1. **£10; \$20.00 each**
 - 3w-gyo FLORIDA MANOR 4-5 (Ballydorn).**
A tall free flowering Clockface cross of excellent form and substance. Smooth flower with neat orange banded crown and green eye. Previously seedling 77/3w-gyo. **£8; \$16.00 each**
 - 3w-goyr FOUR WAYS 4-5 (Ballydorn).**
A colour break as the crown is at first suffused orange but then shows four zones, green, orange, yellow and a red rim. **£15; \$30.00 each**
 - 2y-y GREAT EXPECTATIONS 3-4 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
An exciting addition to the few all yellow flowers in this Division; from Golden Aura x Camelot. **£10; \$20.00 each**
 - 9w-gyr IRELAND'S EYE 6 (Ballydorn).**
A sparkling flower of pure white with a crinkled crown of dark olive green extending well into the yellow mid zone and ending with a band of deep red. Good stem and neck. Previously seedling 77/Cantabile X/1. **£15; \$30.00 each**
 - 2w-o MILFORD 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
Previously seedling 72/Buncrana X/1. Pure white overlapping perianth with a remarkable deep apricot orange crown. **£5; \$10.00 each**
 - 3w-gyo NOTABLE 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
A flower of unusual crown colour, green, yellow and a broad orange band making a large flat expanded crown. An excellent garden plant. Previously seedling 69/Nemo X/10. **£5; \$10.00 each**
 - 3w-gw TROUTBECK 5 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
A glistening white flower with a flat shallow crown around an emerald green eye. **£10; \$20.00 each**
 - 3w-gyr TULLYBEG 5 (Ballydorn).**
Merlin x. A beautifully rounded and bright flower with pure white and very smooth petals of extraordinary substance. The cup is banded with a ¼" rim of deepest red which gives way to yellow and green in the eye. Lovely distinctive show flower for late in the season. Strong sturdy stems, good pose. **£5; \$10.00 each**
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- GENERAL LIST**
- 2w-w ALDRINGHAM 3 (Ballydorn).**
A pure white smooth flower with slightly flared lobed crown. Good stem and poise. Bred from Guy L. Wilson parent bulbs. **£4; \$8.00 each**

- ✓ 1y-y **ARCTIC GOLD 3** (J. L. Richardson). A.M. Wisley, 1963.
Only a few available 1979. **50p; \$1.00 each**
- 1w-w **BALLOO 3** (Guy L. Wilson).
None available 1979.
- ✓ 1y-y **BANBRIDGE 2** (J. L. Richardson).
First class exhibition variety for early shows. Only a few available 1979. **50p; \$1.00 each**
- 2w-o **BALLYMASTER 4-5** (Ballydorn).
A Fermoy seedling, but later, with a smooth overlapping perianth and deep red orange crown shading into rich orange in the throat. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 2w-p **BRAMLEY 2-5** (Mrs. Abel Smith).
An early charming flower with a wide frilled cup rimmed pink. **£3; \$6.00 each**
- 2w-wwp **BRIDESMAID 4** (Ballydorn).
A truly white flower of crystalline purity with a long flared crown, flushed soft pink at mouth. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- ✓ 9w-gyr **CANTABILE 5** (Guy L. Wilson). **30p; 60 cents each**
- 3w-gyr **CAPISCO 3** (Ballydorn).
Very pure white overlapping perianth with very small bright cup banded red and with deep green eye. Early and tall for this division. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 2w-ppp **CARRICKMANNON 3** (J. L. Richardson).
None available 1979.
- ✓ 6y-y **CHARITY MAY 2** (C. F. Coleman). F.C.C. R.H.S. 1955.
None available 1979.
- 2w-w **CHURCHMAN 2** (Ballydorn).
Very pure crystalline white throughout. Gained 1st prize in the Single Bloom class, Div. 2c, at the Daffodil Show, 1969, and was one of a winning group of six seedlings which gained a Silver Simmonds Medal in 1969, 1970, and 1978, and of the winning group for the Carey E. Quinn Gold Medal at the National Convention A.D.S. Show, 1973. Best flower Garden Club of Virginia, 1974. Only a few available. **£5; \$10.00 each**
- 2w-w **CHURCHTOWN 3-4** (Ballydorn).
A pure white Courage cross of trumpet character. Previously seedling 72/2C/10. **£5; \$10.00 each**
- 2w-yyo **CROWN ROYALIST 4** (Ballydorn).
A beautiful large white flower with strong pale orange non predominant band on crown, and flat overlapping perianth. Nearly sunproof here. Previously seedling 74/Nemo x Lvsander. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- ✓ 2y-w **DAYDREAM 3** (Grant Mitsch). F.C.C. R.H.S. 1966. **75p; \$1.50 each**
- ✓ 6w-y **DOVE WINGS 1-2** (C. F. Coleman). F.C.C. R.H.S. 1973. **35p; 70 cents each**
- 2y-w **DRUMAWILLAN 3-4** (Carncairn).
A nice SPELLBINDER type flower which reverses well in most seasons. **75p; \$1.50 each**

- 2w-y **DUNLAMBERT 2** (Ballydorn).
Strong early plant with flat overlapping spade segments and large expanded yellow crown. Previously seedling 69/1B/1. **75p; \$1.50 each**
- 2y-y **EMILY 3** (Mrs. Abel Smith).
Silver Howard x Aircastle. An unusual flower with rounded lime-yellow perianth and deeper yellow crown. **£2; \$4.00 each**
- 3w-gyo **FAIRGREEN 5** (Ballydorn).
A tall Portrush seedling with large sized white perianth and small yellow crown edged orange with a deep green eye. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 3w-gyo **FAIRMILE 5** (Ballydorn).
A tall vigorous Lough Areema x Cantabile seedling with a green throat in a pale yellow cup with orange rim which holds its colour. One of the group of six seedlings which gained a Silver Simmonds Medal at the R.H.S. Daffodil Show, 1969. A good plant. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 3w-gyo **FAIRSEL 4** (Ballydorn).
A tall white flower with a distinct rimmed crown. Tall, good stem and neck. Lough Areema x Cantabile. **£3; \$6.00 each**
- 3w-ggr **FARAWAY 4** (Ballydorn).
Cornrake x Fairgreen of striking colour in the deep red crown with a deep green throat and broad white overlapping perianth of substance. Good neck and tall stalk. Previously seedling 74/Cornrake/3. Best seedling Div. 3B Omagh 1975. **£6; \$12.00 each**
- 3w-gyr **FAVOR ROYAL 4-5** (Ballydorn).
A superb pure white flower on a tall stem and good neck with a brilliant red rim to the crown which has for its centre a beautiful deep green throat. Best flower at Ballymena 1974. **£5; \$10.00 each**
- 6y-y **FEBRUARY GOLD 1** (de Graaff). **3 for 50p; \$1.00**
- 1w-w **FINCOOL 2-3** (Ballydorn).
A white flower of large dimensions with large expanded pale cream trumpet turning to white after a few days. Tall and vigorous. One of a group of six seedlings which gained the Silver Simmonds Medal at the R.H.S. Daffodil Show, 1969. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 2w-w **FINMACOOL 2** (Ballydorn).
A very large pure crystalline white flower with a widely expanded crown. Vigorous plant. Previously seedling 71/Cortina/1. **75p; \$1.50 each**
- ✓ 6w-p **FOUNDLING 3-4** (Carncairn). A.M. R.H.S. 1972.
The delightful pink crowned cyclamineus which has been very successful at Shows. **£10; \$20.00 each**
- 2w-w **GLANDORE 3** (Ballydorn).
A very pure flower of good form from Cortina x a Greenisland seedling cross with strongly overlapping shovel-shaped perianth segments and a well-expanded crown. Vigorous plant. **£1; \$2.00 each**
- 2y-r **GLENCRAIG 3-4** (Ballydorn).
A large brilliant Craigyarren x Gaucho seedling of great substance and vigour. Previously seedling 72/2a/CR. **£3; \$6.00 each**

- 2y-o **GOLDEN AMBER 3 (Ballydorn).**
Unusual buff golden perianth and orange red expanded crown.
Unusual garden flower of lasting quality on a vigorous plant.
£2; \$4.00 each
- 2y-y **GOLDEN AURA 4 (J. L. Richardson).**
A show flower of the highest quality. Deep gold throughout with
bell-shaped crown and smooth shovel-shaped perianth segments.
£3.50; \$7.00 each
- 1y-y **GOLDEN CLARION 4 (J. L. Richardson).**
A very valuable late free flowering golden trumpet of excellent
conformation and form, and great substance. Only one or two
available 1979.
£1; \$2.00 each
- 1y-y **GOLDEN RADIANCE 3 (Ballydorn).**
A large flower bred from Golden Rapture of uniform golden
yellow and of exhibition quality. Vigorous. None available 1979.
- 1y-y **GOLDEN SOVEREIGN 3-4 (Ballydorn).**
An exceptional deep golden trumpet of highest quality and
vigorous constitution. Deep solid gold throughout. Golden
Rapture x seedling cross. Previously 74/1A/1.
£7; \$14.00 each
- 6y-y **GOLDEN WINGS 3 (Ballydorn).**
A large golden cyclamineus. A CHARITY MAY cross with shorter
deeper crown.
£4; \$8.00 each
- 3w-gor **GRANSHA 4 (Ballydorn).**
A Merlin seedling with very golden orange crown, a deep green
eye, and a non predominant scarlet rim. Previously 72/3bgor/
Merlin x. Several show successes reported 1977.
£6; \$12.00 each
- 2y-w **GRAND PROSPECT 4 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
Camelot x Daydream. A fine show flower of sulphur yellow. The
trumpet type crown reverses when fully developed.
£8; \$16.00 each
- 4y-yr **HAWAII 4 (J. L. Richardson). A.M. R.H.S. 1963.**
The beautiful yellow and red double with golden yellow outer
petals interspersed with small petals of bright orange red. None
available 1979.
- 3w-gyy **JAMESTOWN 4 (Ballydorn).**
Distinctive yellow ruffled crown. Very flat overlapping perianth.
Very strong stem and good neck. Great substance. Previously
seedling 77/3gyy/1, was provisionally named Yorktown.
£8; \$16.00 each
- 6w-y **JENNY 2 (C. F. Coleman). A.M. R.H.S. 1973.**
35p; 70 cents each
- 3w-gyo **LANCASTER 4 (Ballydorn).**
A distinctive yellow much crinkled crown which has a faint
orange flush on opening and a striking deep green eye. Previously
72/3bgyo/10. Won its class Ballymena 1977.
£4; \$8.00 each
- 3w-yyo **LANGFORD GROVE 3-4 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
Hamzali x Aircastle. A good exhibition flower which won the
F. E. Board Trophy for the best seedling at the Daffodil Society
Show, 1976. Pure white slightly reflexed perianth with very flat
yellow crown banded deep orange.
£8; \$16.00 each

- 3w-gyr **LICHFIELD 4 (C. R. Wootton).**
The beautiful medium-sized show flower. Greenish primrose cup
edged with wide brim of bright red and very flat white petals.
75p; \$1.50 each
- 2y-y **LIME REGENT 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
Tall large pale sulphur lemon flower deeper at edge of crown.
Very strong garden plant. Previously seedling 68/2A/Lime. Only
a few available.
75p; \$1.50 each
- 3w-gyr **LISBANE 4-5 (Ballydorn).**
A beautiful green eyed flower with a deep red wire rim to crown
against broad white perianth. Good stem and neck. Best seedling
3b at Ballymena 1974. Previously seedling 74/3brg/1.
£5; \$10.00 each
- 3w-gyo **LUSKY MILLS 4 (Ballydorn).**
A very flat pure white perianth, and a broad orange red band
on a yellow crown centred on a green eye. Good stem and
neck. Best seedling Omagh 1977 and best vase of DIV. 3 Bally-
mena 1977.
£8; \$16.00 each
- 2w-p **MANDOLIN 3-4 (Guy L. Wilson).**
A large striking pink crowned flower of great substance.
40p; 80 cents each
- 1y-y **MAYO GOLD 1-2 (Tasmania).**
None available 1979.
- 3w-gyo **MERLIN 4 (J. L. Richardson). A.M. R.H.S. 1962.**
None available 1979.
- 3y-y **MINSTER LODGE 3 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
Pale yellow throughout from Green Howard x Aircastle. Sister
to Emily.
£3; \$6.00 each
- 1y-y **MOON GODDESS 2 (Guy L. Wilson).**
50p; \$1.00 each
- 2y-w **MOONSPELL 2 (Ballydorn).**
A vigorous reversed bicoulor with strong colour contrast and of
trumpet character. One or two available 1979.
£1; \$2.00 each
- 2w-y **MOUNTPLEASANT 4-5 (Ballydorn).**
Deep yellow crown flushed orange. Flat pure white perianth.
An attractive, unusual flower. Vigorous. Shown in Carey E.
Quinn Silver Medal group A.D.S. 1973.
75p; \$1.50 each
- 1w-y **NEWCASTLE 3 (W. J. Dunlop). A.M. R.H.S. 1957.**
None available 1979.
- 5w-w **NIVETH 3-4 (Backhouse).**
40p; 80 cents each
- 2w-yyr **NORTHERN SCEPTRE 4 (Ballydorn).**
A very brilliant large flower with strong orange red non pre-
dominant band on yellow throated crown against pure white over-
lapping perianth. Best flower N.I. Group late show, 1977. Several
show successes 1978.
£5; \$10.00 each
- 3w-grr **NORTHERN SPELL 4 (Ballydorn).**
Seedling 75/3br/Late. Capisco x. A very white perianth, and
a delightful small crown with thin dark red non predominant rim.
£4; \$8.00 each

- 3w-yyr **OMAHA 4 (Ballydorn).**
An exhibition flower of large size with broad flat pure white perianth and flattish expanded crown with well defined margin of intense red. Won its class Omagh, 1972.
£3; \$6.00 each
- 3w-yyy **PARK SPRINGS 2 (Mrs. Abel Smith). A.M. R.H.S. 1976.**
Ethel x Syracuse. A lovely flower of waxy texture, good form and poise. Crown greenish pale lemon framed by almost circular perianth.
£2.50; \$5.00 each
- ✓ 2w-p **PASSIONALE 3 (Guy L. Wilson).**
Only a few available 1979.
50p; \$1.00 each
- 3w-gww **PORTSTEWART 5 (Ballydorn Bulb Farm).**
None available 1979.
- 3w-gyr **PRESTO 5 (Ballydorn).**
A large smooth petalled flower with a long stiff neck. Crown broadly banded with orange red, holds its colour well. Previously seedling 71/3bgyr/1 (Merlin x).
£5; \$10.00 each
- 2w-y **PRINCE OF BRUNSWICK 1 (Ballydorn).**
A very early medium size garden flower of cool colouring from a Brunswick x Promptitude cross. Broad white perianth, yellow crown becoming ivory with primrose edge. Only a few to go in 1979.
75p; \$1.50 each
- 2w-ppy **RAFFREY 3 (W. J. Toal).**
50p; \$1.00 each
- 2y-o **REDMAN 1 (Ballydorn).**
An extremely early yellow red garden plant which glows when FORESIGHT is in flower here. Deep gold perianth broad and flat, but slightly creased, and expanded deep orange red scalloped crown, deeper inside. Sunproof and vigorous with a good stem and neck. Previously seedling 2A/Red Gold.
50p; \$1.00 each
- 2y-r **RIALTO 3 (Ballydorn).**
A highly coloured flower with expanded crown of deep orange red approaching crimson. Broad overlapping golden perianth.
£2; \$4.00 each
- ✓ 2o-r **RIO ROUGE 3 (Ballydorn).**
A beautiful and unusual flower. Foxhunter x Alight seedling. Broad copper-toned perianth of good form, and nicely expanded red crown. Vigorous garden plant. In the Silver Simmonds Medal group RHS 1978.
£1; \$2.00 each
- ✓ 2w-p **ROSE ROYALE 3 (J. L. Richardson). A.M. R.H.S. 1964.**
None available 1979.
- 7 8w-o **SPARKLING EYE 4 (Dutch).**
Our favourite late flowering Tazetta.
50p; \$1.00 each
- 2w-w **SPELGA 3-4 (Ballydorn).**
A Dunseverick x of very great substance. Very white throughout with large well expanded crown. Good neck and strong stalk.
£2; \$4.00 each
- ✓ 2w-w **STAINLESS 4 (Guy L. Wilson).**
None available 1979.

- 3w-gyr **STRANGFORD 5 (Ballydorn).**
A striking flower with white overlapping rather pointed petals and a widely expanded crown heavily banded with brilliant red.
75p; \$1.50 each
- 2y-r **SUN SALVER 2 (Ballydorn).**
Smooth gold overlapping perianth with solid deep red crown toned crimson on opening. Good neck and virtually sunproof here. Previously seedling 69/2A/1.
£1; \$2.00 each
- ✓ 7y-y **SWEETNESS 2 (Favell). A.M. R.H.S. 1973.**
25p; 50 cents each
- 2w-ooy **TOPKAPI 3 (Ballydorn).**
A Blarney seedling named for its jewel-like quality. Purest white overlapping flat perianth. Pure gold non predominant band on crown changing to orange inside and a darker throat.
£5; \$10.00 each
- ✓ 7y-y **TITTLE TATTLE 5 (C. R. Wooton).**
25p; 50 cents each
- 2y-y **TORCH BEARER 2-3 (Ballydorn).**
One of the winning group which gained the Silver Simmonds Medal at RHS 1978.
£1; \$2.00 each
- ✓ 7y-y **TREVITHIAN 2 (P. D. Williams). F.C.C. R.H.S. 1936.**
30p; 60 cents each
- ✓ 2w-p **TULLYCORE 3 (Ballydorn).**
Beautiful Interim x Salmon Trout seedling with good white perianth and pure pink crown disclosing a green eye. One of the six seedlings which gained the Silver Simmonds Medal at the R.H.S. Daffodil Show, 1969. Has done well at A.D.S. Shows.
£1; \$2.00 each
- 2w-p **TULLYROYAL 3-4 (Ballydorn).**
A Tullycore seedling cross of beautiful clear pink down to dark eye. Good white perianth and neck. Previously seedling 71/2p/1.
£4; \$8.00 each
- 2w-gww **TUTANKHAMUN 2-3 (Mrs. Abel Smith).**
Ave x Empress of Ireland. A dazzling white flower of near trumpet proportions. Very green eye in a nicely flanged crown. A.M. as a show flower R.H.S. 1975.
£5; \$10.00 each
- ✓ 1w-w **WHITE EMPRESS 3 (T. Bloomer).**
A few available 1979.
£4.50; \$9.00 each
- ✓ 1w-w **WHITE MAJESTY 3-4 (T. Bloomer).**
None available 1979.
- ✓ 3w-y **WOODLAND PRINCE 3-4 (T. Bloomer).**
40p; 80 cents each
- ✓ 3w-r **WOODLAND STAR 4 (T. Bloomer).**
40p; 80 cents each

In addition to the bulbs listed, the following varieties are grown, and limited stocks are available in 1979.

- DIV. 1y Baronscourt, Brabazon, Spanish Gold, Viking.
- DIV. 1w Empress of Ireland, Faro.
- DIV. 2y Mexico City, Rademon, Richhill, Spring Gold.
- DIV. 2w Avenger, Irish Charm, Kilcool, May Queen, Norval, Pretty Polly.
- DIV. 2w-p (Pink) Marietta, Simile, Tynan.
- DIV. 2w-w Tibet.
- DIV. 2y-w Gin and Lime.
- DIV. 3y Perimeter.
- DIV. 3w Aircastle, Clumber, Green Meadows, Matapan, Park Springs.
- DIV. 3w Frigid, Snow Magic.
- DIV. 7 Lintie.
- DIV. 8 Glorious, Silver Chimes.
- DIV. 9 Cushendall.

GENERAL TERMS OF BUSINESS

This catalogue cancels all previous issues. All bulbs are offered subject to crop, and being unsold on receipt of order. Orders for bulbs amounting to less than £5 in value or U.S. \$30 in value for overseas orders may be declined.

No complaint as regards quality of bulbs, size, health or numbers will be entertained unless made immediately after receipt of bulbs.

Orders cannot be cancelled except by mutual consent.

No acknowledgement of an order will be sent unless accompanied by payment in advance or specially requested.

All bulbs travel at the purchaser's risk, and orders will be despatched in rotation and as far as possible before the 15th September each year.

Payment: New customers are asked to make payment with order and to add the estimated cost of postage.

INVOICES ARE INCLUDED IN ALL PARCELS SENT OUT, AND PAYMENT ON RECEIPT IS A CONDITION OF SALE.

Receipts for payment are not sent unless specially requested.

Carriage or Postage is charged on all orders except Special Offers but packing is free.

ADDITIONAL FREE BULBS WILL BE INCLUDED TO MAKE GOOD CARRIAGE OR POSTAGE CHARGED, AND AS FAR AS POSSIBLE ANY VARIETY PARTICULARLY REQUIRED WILL BE INCLUDED IN SUCH FREE BULBS.

"DAFFODILS IN IRELAND."

Published by the Northern Ireland Daffodil Group to commemorate the visit of the World Daffodil Convention to Northern Ireland in April, 1979. This illustrated volume collects much information about the development of the daffodil family in Ireland which is not otherwise available. In addition to historical matter, there are original articles by leading hybridists, growers, and exhibitors from many countries.

Price: £2.50 (US \$5.00) per copy (including packing and postage).

ARRANGEMENT OF LIST, AND CODING SYSTEM

The list has been arranged in alphabetical order with the Division and Classification of each cultivar shown in the margin. The classification is in accordance with the Revised System recently adopted by the R.H.S. Colours are abbreviated as follows:

w—white or whitish; g—green; y—yellow; p—pink; o—orange; r—red.

For the purpose of description, the daffodil flower is divided into perianth, and corona. The perianth is described by the first letter following the number of the Division to which the cultivar belongs.

The corona is treated as having three zones: An eye zone, a mid-zone and an edge or rim. The description of the corona is separated from the description of the perianth by a hyphen and the letter then following the hyphen describes the corona colour starting with the eye zone. If however the corona is of a single colour, only a single letter of the colour code is used to describe it.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS FOR DAFFODILS

To obtain best results, a sunny well drained plot of ground should be selected. Previous deep digging to aerate the soil is an advantage, but on no account should farm or stable manure be incorporated or used as a mulch. The use of inorganic fertilisers is not recommended, but a light dusting of bone meal before planting and during each successive winter will help bulb and flower production. The rate of application need not exceed 2 ozs. per square yard. Wood ashes or a sprinkling of sulphate of potash will help to produce intensity of colour.

The site should be made up some weeks before planting, which should be carried out in September. The bulbs should be covered with about twice their own depth of soil in average land, and rather less if the ground is heavy.

Smaller quantities of bulbs can be planted in blocks or groups in herbaceous borders, but cannot be expected to produce their best blooms if planted close to hedges, or shrubs whose roots rob the soil of its productive qualities. Nor can bulbs planted in dry, parched conditions be expected to increase well, or produce large flowers after the first year.

The daffodil requires a damp retentive soil during the period when it is making the bulb which will flower in the following season. Bulbs may be left down for several seasons without being lifted, and we have good clumps which have been down for six years or more, but we now lift all commercial stocks annually and select the largest bulbs for sale.

The large round bulb with a single nose, or a large offset will produce a finer flower than a mother bulb with several noses. After flowering seed pods may develop, and the flower heads must be removed or the development of the bulbs will be prejudiced.

Not all daffodils will produce their best flowers if grown in pots, but most white trumpets, or white and red flowers do well. On the other hand many yellow and red highly coloured flowers do not come well in pots, unless the temperature can be kept below 60°F after the buds emerge. The secret of successful pot cultivation is ample watering, good ventilation and a moist atmosphere being maintained by overhead spraying, or floor watering as the buds come into flower.

We do not recommend forcing daffodils in pots, and the best practice is to plunge the pots in cool ground (under 48°F), for eight weeks at least, and to bring the pots into the greenhouse or house using no heat except to keep away frost. Bring the pots into room temperature only when flower buds are showing. Copious watering is essential once the buds are coming clear of the bulbs, and on no account should the pots be allowed to get dry.

The best way to select varieties is to see them growing and flowering. We will be glad to permit visitors to see the bulbs in flower during this Spring on Wednesday or Saturday afternoons or on other days by arrangement.

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