## FAVOURITE SMALLER DAFFODILS FOR GARDEN AND SHOW

#### **DIVISION 5 – TRIANDRUS DAFFODILS**

ICE WINGS – (Coleman, England) refined flowers of snowy white, usually 2 or 3 per stem. Turned back petals and pendent poise. Mid season. \$4.00

RIDDLE DIDDLE – (Glenbrook, Tas.) a delicate, early-mid season variety with 2, rarely 3, delightful white flowers per stem. Champion award, Claremont Show, 2011, shown by Doug and Christine Fielding. Just a few to offer. \$8.00

TRESAMBLE – (Williams, England) a famous variety from pre 1930. Usually 2 or 3 flowers per stem. Semi-pendent, sparkling white flowers mid to mid-late season. \$4.00

## DIVISION 6 - CYCLAMINEUS DAFFODILS

BACKFLIP – (Glenbrook, Tas.) very nice form and unique colouring. Reflexed white petals and elegant corona which opens yellow and turns a fascinating chrome-orange. Early-mid season. Just a few to offer. \$15.00

BILBO – (Duncan, N. Ire.) broad white petals which sway back from a shortish corona of bright pink. A lovely garden flower in mid-late season, \$4.00

CAZIQUE – (Mitsch, USA) a wonderful garden and show flower. Broad, reflexed white perianth. Elegant trumpet-cup opens lemon-cream, turns white. Early-mid season, \$5.00

DOVE WINGS – (Coleman, Eng.) famous old garden variety with slightly pendent flowers. Turned-back perianth is white, longish corona is creamy-yellow. \$4.00

FEBRUARY GOLD – (de Graaf, Holland) a long-time garden favourite dating back to the 1920s. Bright yellow with reflexed petals and trumpet-cup. Early season, \$4.00

FOUNDLING - (Carncairn, N. Ire.) introduced around 40 years ago this is a gorgeous small flower. The white petals are broad, smooth and neatly reflexed. Shallow goblet-corona of rich rose pink. Very desirable for show and garden. Mid-late season. \$6.00

JETFIRE – (Mitsch, USA) a classic Div. 6 which has been around for over 40 years. Short stems, reflexed yellow petals and orange trumpet-cup. Early season. \$3.00

LARKELLY – (Coleman, England) an old hybrid with wide cream petals, gently turned back, and a shortish cup of bright orange-yellow. Just a few to offer. \$7.00

OUZEL – (Mitsch, USA) a bold, early flowering Div. 6 with strongly reflexed, broad white perianth and impressive lemon trumpet – eventually maturing all white. Excellent garden plant and impressive on the show bench too. \$6.00

RAPTURE – (Mitsch, USA) one of the finest show and garden plants in this group. Long, slender yellow petals turned straight back from the long, narrow yellow corona. Early-mid season. Innumerable awards. \$10.00

SLIP'RY – (Glenbrook, Tas.) a charming little all-white cyclamineus with strongly recurving, semi-twisted white petals and elegant trumpet-cup. Early flowering. \$8.00

# **DIVISION 7 - JONQUILLA DAFFODILS**

BELL SONG – (Mitsch, USA) a delightful, small jonquil, mostly 2 flowers per stem, with nice form, white petals and pretty pink-toned cups. Late season. \$5.00

INDIAN MAID – (Pannill, USA) a brilliantly coloured jonquil with 2 or 3 flowers per stem. Petals are clear orange with brilliant red cups. Mid-late season. \$7.00

KOKOPELLI – (Spotts, USA) a fine little jonquil just a wee bit over "miniature" size. Two or three neatly formed bright yellow flowers per stem. Producing fine show flowers here with recent champion awards at Claremont and Hobart shows, \$5.00

NIFTER – (Glenbrook, Tas.) a charming small cultivar bred from *N. fernandesii*. Two or three neat all-yellow flowers per stem. Early-mid season. Many show successes. \$8.00

PINK ANGEL – (Mitsch, USA) a very attractive jonquil in mid-late season. 2 or 3 flowers per stem. Good white perianths and pink-rimmed white coronas. \$5.00

## **DIVISION 8 – TAZETTA DAFFODILS**

BRENTSWOOD – (Cornish origin) a good strong grower and early flowering. Carries 8 to 15 flowers per stem. White petals and yellow cups. Neat for garden and show. \$4.00

COMPRESSUS (or AVALANCHE) – this fine bulb provides a wonderful display of 10 or more neat white and yellow flowers per stem. Strong growth, early flowering and good for showing. Several recent champion awards at Claremont and Hobart shows. \$6.00

GRAND MONARQUE – one of the best of all Tazettas, loved by gardeners for 2 centuries or more! Large heads of good-sized white and yellow flowers – sometimes more than twenty per stem. Strong growth, perfumed, early-mid season. \$4.00

MATADOR – (Oregon Bulb Farms, USA) wonderful cultivar with usually 4 or 5 medium large flowers per stem. Yellow petals, orange cups. Quite fertile and will set seed fairly easily – so, very valuable for breeders. Early-mid season. \$7.00

ODORATUS – origin of this flower is uncertain but it's a little beauty, not much more than "miniature" size. Neat white petals and little orange-yellow crowns. Mid. \$6.00

SILVER CHIMES – (Martin, England) a beautiful variety with 5 or 6 creamy-white flowers per stem. Sweetly perfumed. Mid-late season. \$3.00

SOLEIL D'OR – sometimes called 'Eggs and Bacon' this has been a winter-spring favourite for centuries. Heads of ten or more wonderfully perfumed flowers. Yellow petals and bright orange cups. Always a joy. Easy grower. \$3.00

## **DIVISION 9 – POETICUS DAFFODILS**

RINGER – (Glenbrook, Tas.) wonderful garden and exhibition flower with many champion awards at Australian shows. Sparkling white perianth of good form and tiny yellow cup with green eye and red rim. Sweet perfume. Mid season. \$8.00

DIVISION 10 – HOOP PETTICOAT DAFFODILS See listings in Miniature Daffodil Sections

#### DIVISION 11 - SPLIT CORONA DAFFODILS

LEMON BEAUTY – (Lefeber, Holland) a lovely "papillon" style daffodil with neat white perianth and fancy cream crown with lemon wing-ruffles, Mid season, \$4.00

SPLATTER – (Glenbrook, Tas.) a really good multi-headed Split Cup of fine show form. 2 or 3 flowers per stem. White perianths, split yellow cups. Mid-late season. \$12.00

TRIPARTITE – (Brook, England) a wonderful, multi-headed Split Cup with 2 or 3 bright yellow flowers per stem. Medium size and good form. Mid-late season. \$5.00

#### DECORATIVE GARDEN DAFFODILS

ICE FOLLIES – (Konynenberg and Mark, Holland) powerful, big decorative which opens with white petals and a fancy yellow crown which turns to white. Easy. \$3.00

ICE KING – (Dutch origin) fantastically strong growing decorative early in the season. Tall stems. Large flowers with white petals and doubled, frilly cream crown, \$3.00

RIP VAN WINKLE – an ancient and fascinating plant of uncertain origin. Flowers are like big, shaggy, greenish-yellow dandelions on fairly dwarf stems. Early-mid. \$4.00

ULSTER BRIDE - (Cross, Tas.) a very lovely, large double with broad, smooth white petals and small inner segments of orange-red. Sweet perfume. Flowers mid-late season so best in cool climate gardens to avoid bud blast. \$10.00

VELASK – (Jackson, Tas.) a large flower on a relatively short stem. Great white perianth and bold trumpet-cup of coppery-pink. Mid season flowering, \$6.00

MIXED DAFFODILS - a splendid selection of quality bulbs. 10 for \$10.00

#### MINIATURE DAFFODILS RAISED BY OTHER GROWERS

APRIL TEARS – (Gray, Eng.) a famous Triandrus with several beautifully formed, pendent yellow flowers per stem. Vigorous. Excellent bloomer. Late season. \$5.00

BABY MOON – (Gerritsen, Holland) a strong growing jonquil which flowers late in the season. Four or five little, rounded, bright yellow flowers on a reed-like stem. Late season flowering and strongly perfumed. \$3.00

BAGATELLE – (Gerritsen, Holland) a very good little all-yellow trumpet which flowers early in the season. Fine for garden, rockery and pots. \$5.00

BOBBYSOXER – (Gray, England) a neatly formed little flower. Rounded yellow petals and shallow yellow crown with orange rim. Very reliable. Late season, \$6.00

CLARE – (Gray, Eng.) a choice miniature which flowers late in the season. Creamy-lemon perianth and disc-shaped yellow crown. Show and garden, \$4.50

ELKA – (Gray, Eng.) a charming little white trumpet which flowers early-mid season. Starry white perianth. Rarely offered. \$6.00

HORS D'OEUVRE – (Gray, Eng.) an historic little all-yellow trumpet daffodil. Often takes a season to settle in before flowering. Just a few to offer. \$3.00

JONQUILLA FLORE PLENO – another historic bulb, cultivated for centuries. Slender stem carries several fluffy, doubled, golden-yellow flowers. Rich perfume. \$4.00

JOY BISHOP – this is an outstanding Hoop-petticoat (a form of *N. romieuxii*) collected by Jim Archibald in 1968 and registered by Kath Dryden in 1985. Prolific flower production in late winter. Large, widely flaring blooms of lemon-yellow. \$5.00

JULIA JANE – a sensational form of *N. romieuxii* collected by Jim Archibald. Large, petunia-like flowers of creamy-lemon in late winter. Rare and few only. \$8.00

KEVIN'S CROSS – (K. Crowe, Tas.) a happy little hybrid from N. fernandesii x 'Little Gem'. Often 2 dainty flowers per stem, bright yellow and with short trumpet-cups. \$4.00

LITTLE GEM – (Gerritsen, Holland) a fine all-yellow miniature trumpet which is an easy grower. Good for garden and pots. Early flowering, \$4.00

MINNOW – (Gray, Eng.) a very small, nicely formed tazetta with 2 or 3 flowers per stem. White petals, yellow cups. Easy, reliable grower. Mid season. \$3.00

MITE – (Gore-Booth, Eire) a really choice miniature cyclamineus daffodil. Long, thin trumpet and strongly reflexed petals. All yellow throughout. Early-mid season. \$5.00

MONCORVO – (Blanchard, Eng.) this is a really top class miniature jonquil of lovely show form. Usually 2 or 3 golden flowers per stem. Just a few to sell. \$15.00

NYLON – (Blanchard, Eng.) a fine Hoop-petticoat of creamy-white flowering from autumn through till mid-late winter. Easy and very reliable. \$3.00

PICOBLANCO – (Gray, Eng.) a superb and much sought after Div. 2 miniature with a delightful flower of snow white. Fine garden and show variety. Early-mid season. \$10.00

PLEDGE – (Jefferson-Brown, Eng.) a small all-white trumpet sent here in 1989 by the late Alice Wray Taylor of Tennessee. Neat form. Early-mid season. \$10.00

SEGOVIA – (Gray, Eng.) a choice little show and garden flower. White petals and shallow, saucer-crown of yellow. Good grower, very reliable. Mid season. \$5.00

SMALL TALK – (Mitsch, USA) a neat little all-yellow trumpet. A good miniature which is a bit taller than BAGATELLE, LITTLE GEM etc. Early to early-mid season. \$4.50

TAFFETA – (Blanchard, Eng.) a fairly large, flaring white Hoop-petticoat which flowers in late winter. Makes a wonderful display in pots or the rockery. \$5.00

TARLATAN – (Blanchard, Eng.) from the same parentage as TAFFETA this is an outstanding Hoop-petticoat. Widely dished white flowers produced freely from mid to late winter. Excellent in pots or rockery. \$5.00

TETE-A-TETE – (Gray, Eng.) probably the best known of all miniature hybrids. Strong grower with 1, 2 or sometimes 3 bright yellow flowers per stem. Neat petals and bold trumpet-cups. Early season and long lasting. \$3.00

YELLOW XIT – (Gray, Eng.) a delightful little plant flowering mid to late season. Neat white perianth and little, disc-shaped corona of yellow. Show and garden. Few. \$8.00

# GLENBROOK RAISED MINIATURE DAFFODILS

ANGEL'S BREATH – (Div. 5 Y-Y) a really beautiful little Triandrus of soft lemonyellow with 3, 4 or 5 flowers per stem. Pendent lemon bell-flowers with reflexing petals. Mid season. Many awards here and in USA. \$6.00

BEASTIE – (Div. 1 W-Y) bred from LITTLE BEAUTY x N. asturiensis this is a real little charmer which flowers early in the season. Neat white perianth and petite yellow trumpet. Very limited stock. \$30.00

BEN'BLER – (Div. 10 Y-Y) bred from SPOIROT x JULIA JANE. A superb Hooppetticoat flowering late Winter to early Spring. Bright yellow throughout. Outstanding, widely dished corona of excellent form and substance. Stems about 15cm tall. This is the best Hoop-petticoat raised at Glenbrook (and that is saying something!). Champion Div. 10 at Claremont Show, 2007. Just a few to offer. \$30.00

EYE SPY – (Div. 10 W-W) a wonderful, sparkling white Hoop-petticoat bred from FYNO x JULIA JANE. Widely flared form. Flowers early-mid to late Winter. Likes Summer dry to promote heavy flowering and is good in pots. \$6.00

FENBEN – (Div. 7 Y-Y) a miniature all-yellow jonquil of fine quality. Usually 3 or 4 flowers per stem. Early-mid season flowering. Very reliable. Numerous awards at US shows including a Gold Ribbon again in 2010. \$8.00

FERDIE – (Div. 6 Y-Y) this is a tiny gem bred from *N. rupicola* x *N. cyclamineus*. Reflexing petals and tubular cup, yellow throughout. Flowers early-mid to mid-late season. Many Champion Awards and very reliable. If you appreciate the joys of really tiny daffodils then this one is hard to beat. \$7.00

FYNO – (Div. 10 W-W) bred from NYLON x *N. cantabricus foliosus*. A good, easygrowing Hoop-petticoat which flowers from late Autumn all through Winter. Only 1 or 2 flowers per bulb first season, profuse when settled. Loves Summer dry. \$2.00 or 3 for \$5

GALLIGASKINS – (Div. 10 Y-Y) bred from NYLON x N. b. tenuifolius. Delightfully formed Hoop-petticoats of bright lemon-cream flowering from early-mid right through to late Winter. Prolific flowering and good increaser. \$4.00

GALUMPH – (Div. 6 Y-Y) a bold all-yellow cyclamineus near the upper size-limit for a "Miniature". Bred from LITTLE BEAUTY X N. cyclamineus this is a quality flower with well-reflexed petals and longish trumpet-cup. Early-mid season. Few only. \$20.00

GLENBROOK TA-JULIA GROUP – (Div. 10) a grex from TARLATAN x JULIA JANE. There are many outstanding selections from this exceptional cross. Superb, flaring Hoop-petticoats of lemon-cream right through Winter. These are brilliant little bulbs for potting and thrive in dry Summers. Highly recommended. \$3.50 or 3 for \$9.00

IANMON – (Div. 10 W-W) bred from NYLON x N. b. citrinus. Clean-cut, refined Hooppetticoat with long, funnel-shaped flower of pale greenish-cream turning to greenishwhite. Colour is accentuated by external bands of green along the tube and petals. Flowers mid-Winter to early Spring. Tall stems. Distinct. \$10.00

JACK RIPPER – (Div. 4 Y-Y) bred from *N. asturiensis* x RIP VAN WINKLE this is a tiny greenish-yellow double, quite charming. Probably best in cool climate gardens. I suspect that (like many other doubles) the buds may "blast" in hotter conditions. Early-mid season. Much admired by the great John Blanchard when he visited in '97. \$12.00

KHOLMES – (Div. 10 W-W) bred from *N. b. conspicuus* x *N. c. foliosus*. A fine Hooppetticoat with luminous creamy-lemon flowers on a tube of deeper lemon – almost a reverse-bicolour effect. Tall stems. Easy. \$4.00

KOJAK – (Div. 10 Y-GYY) bred from 'Spoirot' x a sibling. Similar size and form to 'Spoirot' but the corona is beautifully pinched and pleated all the way round. Colour is bright yellow, green in the eye. Sweetly scented of melon/passion-fruit. Many show successes including Champion award Claremont, 2010. \$15.00

MITIMOTO – (Div. 10 W-Y) bred from N. b. conspicuus x NYLON. This is a really outstanding Hoop-petticoat of lovely form. Widely dished corona of bright lemon-yellow and slender perianth segments of white. Flowers late Winter into Spring. Brilliant Show successes here and overseas for many years. Again Champion Div. 10 at Claremont and Hobart Shows in September, 2009 and Claremont, 2011. Easy and good increaser. \$6.00

MORTIE – (Div. 6 Y-Y) bred from *N. rupicola* x *N. cyclamineus*. A fine quality miniature with lovely form. Sharply reflexing yellow petals and narrow, tubular crown. Many Show awards here and overseas. Early-mid season and long lasting. \$7.00

OLUMBO – (Div. 10 W-Y) an excellent sibling to MITIMOTO. Clear bi-colour with bold yellow 'petticoat' corona and neat, slender white petals. Several Champion Awards in Tasmania and a few year's ago was Reserve Grand Champion in Show at Hobart. Early-mid season. Few only. \$15.00

ORCLUS – (Div. 10 W-W) very good sibling to SMARPLE etc. Flowers open pale lemon and mature to a lovely creamy-white Hoop Petticoat. Early-mid season. \$5.00

ROVEROI – (Div. 1 Y-Y) bred from LITTLE BEAUTY x GIPSY QUEEN this is a little trimmer! Neat petals and trumpet-cup, all yellow throughout. Early season. \$25.00

SAD HUSSER – (pronunciation 'Seducer') (Div. 2 W-YPP) bred from 'Pink China' x 'Swagger'. An exceptional addition to the range of Miniature daffodils. Flowers open at just 45 mm and mature at 48 mm diameter. Well formed white perianth and neat corona of pink, yellow in the base. Stem 15 to 20 cm tall. Mid season. Premier Award, Australasian Championships, NZ, 2007. Offered this season are units of 1 medium size bulb (a year off flowering size) +1 small for a unit price of \$30.00

SHEBEEN – (Div. 6 Y-Y) from the same cross as GALUMPH and NANTY this is another delightful cyclamineus daffodil with well reflexed perianth and slender trumpet-cup. All yellow throughout. Early to early-mid season. \$25.00

SMARPLE – (Div. 10 W-W) bred from N. b. conspicuus x N. c. foliosus. A robust, medium-large Hoop-petticoat opening soft lemon and turning creamy-white. Strong grower and fast increaser. Lovely in pots and good for showing. Flowers very early till early-mid season. Countless Show Awards here and overseas. \$4.00

SNOOK – (Div. 6 Y-Y) bred from *N. nevadensis* x *N. cyclamineus*. A classy all-yellow Cyclamineus with sharply reflexed perianth and longish, narrow trumpet-cup. Early-mid season. Good for garden, show (has Champion awards) and breeding. Few only. \$20.00

SPOIROT – (Div. 10 W-W) bred from *N. b. conspicuus* x *N. c. foliosus*. A robust, well-formed Hoop-petticoat with medium-large flowers of smooth cream. Great in pots or for naturalizing. Many show prizes here and overseas. Early to mid season flowering, \$4.00

SWAGGER – (Div. 6 W-W) bred from GIPSY QUEEN x *N. cyclamineus*. This is probably the "most valuable" Miniature raised here at Glenbrook. The little flowers open with well-reflexed white petals and narrow, straightish trumpet-cup of lemon quickly turning to white. Superb show flower and long-lasting, from early to mid-late season. Also brilliant for breeding! Just a few bulbs to offer. Limit 1 per customer. \$75.00

TWENTYFIVER – (Div. 10 Y-Y) this is a sibling to GALLIGASKINS but is much smaller and quite distinct. Flower is lemon-yellow and corona is funnel-shaped. Diameter is a mere 25mm. Stems only 5cm tall so is ideal for potting. Naturally small bulbs but both increase and flowering are prolific once settled. Mid to late Winter. \$4.00

YELLA FELLA – (Div. 6 Y-Y) bred from THE LITTLE GENTLEMAN x N. cyclamineus. This is a superb quality miniature. All yellow throughout. Slender, neatly reflexing petals and narrow, straightish trumpet-cup. Has won Champion Miniature awards at Claremont and Hobart Shows. Early-mid season. Fertile. Few only. \$40.00

I do hope, readers, that you have enjoyed this extensive list of Miniature Daffodils raised here at Glenbrook

If you have been tantalised by my fantasy-interpretation of miniature cyclamineus daffodils, as per this catalogue's cover drawing, then you just might like to try a bulb of Ferdie, Galumph, Mortie, Shebeen, Snook, Swagger or Yella Fella – and see if *the magic* happens in your garden too!

# SPECIES DAFFODILS (DIVISION 13).

Narcissus atlanticus – a delightful little plant from Section Apodanthae. Single creamywhite flower of lovely form on this choice and rare miniature. Early. \$18.00, 2 for \$35.00

Narcissus biflorus – an ancient natural hybrid known as TWIN SISTERS. Stems carry two charming white flowers with little lemon coronas. An easy grower which is excellent for naturalizing. Flowers late in the season. \$3.00 or 2 for \$5.00

Narcissus bulbocodium – the common yellow Hoop-petticoat which has naturalized so well in the meadow here. Early to mid spring flowering.. \$1.50 or 3 for \$4.00

Narcissus bulbocodium conspicuus - vigorous form of the common Hoop-petticoat. \$3

Narcissus calcicola – a rarely offered little 'jonquil' from Section Apodanthae. This gem usually has three golden flowers per stem. Mid-late season. \$18.00 or 2 for \$35.00

Narcissus cantabricus foliosus – good white autumn to winter flowering Hoop-petticoat. Easy and fine in pots but keep dry in summer for best flowering. A good increaser and very attractive in May to July. \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

Narcissus fernandesii – a very good little jonquil species with 2, 3 or more flowers per stem. Early to mid season. Bright yellow and perfumed. Easy grower. \$3.50, 2 for \$6.00

Narcissus intermedius — a robust wild hybrid said to be a cross between tazetta and jonquilla. Channelled, rush-like leaves and heads of richly scented yellow flowers. Ideal for the wild garden or naturalizing. \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.00

Narcissus jonquilla – tall stems carry 3 to 6 heavily perfumed little golden-yellow flowers above rush-like foliage. Grows wonderfully in grass here. Late season and a gardening joy. \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.00

Narcissus panizzianus – a choice little Tazetta species which is on the borderline of 'miniature' size. Starry white flowers, sweetly perfumed. Mid season. \$5.00

Narcissus poeticus recurvus – 'Pheasant's Eye'. Snowy white petals which reflex and tiny corona of yellow with green eye, red rim. Perfumed. Late season. \$3.00

Narcissus serotinus – a little autumn-flowering gem with very white perianth and miniscule corona of yellow-orange, lobed at the rim.Rare and just a few to sell. \$12.00

Narcissus tazetta bertolonii – a fine miniature Tazetta with compact stems of 4 to 6 neatly formed all-yellow flowers. Rarely offered. Mid season flowering. \$5.00

Narcissus tazetta tazetta – a fine, robust species flowering late winter to early spring. Stems about 30 cm tall carry good heads of smooth, starry white flowers with light yellow coronas. Nicely perfumed, easy and very hardy. \$5.00

Narcissus triandrus triandrus – this is the picture-book typical 'Angel's Tears' with delightful, pendent bell-flowers and turned-back petals. Colour is creamy-white throughout. Flowers mid September into October. Very desirable. \$11.00 or 2 for \$21.00

Narcissus wilkommii – a very choice little jonquil flowering late in the season. Usually three perfumed golden flowers per stem. Here this species flowers freely planted in the ground but not so well in pots. \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.00

## **BULB COLLECTIONS**

For those who would like a selection of recommended bulbs at a very-good-value price the following 'Collections' are available this year:

## EXHIBITION MINIATURE DAFFODIL COLLECTION

One bulb each of 10 beautiful varieties of Miniature Daffodils. All individually named and labelled, totalling at least \$48.00 in value. Collection Price \$35.00

# HOOP-PETTICOAT COLLECTION

Ten marvellous Hoop-petticoats – ideal for potting, the rockery or naturalising. All named and labelled, totalling at least \$40.00 in value. Collection Price \$30.00

#### DWARF BULB COLLECTION

A lovely selection of small-growing bulbs – ideal for potting or a rockery. All separately named and labelled, totalling at least \$25.00 in value. Collection Price \$20.00

#### END OF SEASON BARGAIN BULB COLLECTION

In late March/early April, as I complete sales from this Catalogue, there will be some wonderful "bits and pieces" left over. I am offering these as best-value Bargain Collections. They will be of at least \$65.00 Catalogue value for a Collection Price of \$40.00 Post Free!

End of Season Bargain Bulb Collection \$40.00 Post Free

## COLLECTION OF BULBS FOR "NATURALISING"

Send any amount that you choose, from \$20.00 or more, and I will make up a selection (to at least one-and-a-half times the value of your payment) of bulbs that naturalise well here. Just write on the Order Form what you would like from:

**Daffodils for Naturalising** 

Dwarf Daffodils for Naturalising or

Mixed Bulbs for Naturalising (i.e. bulbs other than daffodils).

# GENERAL BULB LIST

Allium species - hardy, easy growing bulbs with heads of many starry flowers.

Allium bulgaricum (syn. Nectaroscordum siculum) — an outstanding bulb in late spring. Tall stems to about 50 cm and delightful heads of pendent bell-flowers coloured maroonpink and green. Sun or semi-shade. A real conversation piece! \$7.00 or 3 for \$20.00

Allium cowanii – (A. neapolitanum) a robust species with showy heads of starry white flowers in mid spring. About 40 cm tall. Fine for garden and cutting. \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

Allium moly – 'Golden Garlic'. Another easy species with showy heads of bright yellow flowers in mid-late spring, \$2.00

Allium zebdanense – a dainty species with flattish heads of many starry white flowers. Easy grower. \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00

Amaryllis belladonna – the wonderful "Naked Ladies". Hardy, easily grown, large bulbs which are drought resistant and best planted in a sunny position where they can be left undisturbed for many years. Large, trumpet-flowers in autumn. Heady, rich perfume.

Amaryllis belladonna – tall stems with bright pink trumpets. Very easy. \$4.00

Amaryllis belladonna alba - beautiful, slender-petalled white trumpets. Scented. \$5.00

Amaryllis 'Red Emperor' – a rarely listed, large Naked Lady. The name is rather misleading. Fine display of big, hot-rose-pink trumpets, quite eye-catching, but there is only just a hint of **red** as the flowers age. 'Rose Emperor' would be truer! \$7.50

Anemone - a delightful genus containing many garden gems.

Anemone nemorosa – the delightful Wood Anemone. Creeping, rhizomatous roots produce dissected, ferny foliage with charming, open-faced flowers above. This plant is easy in semi-shade where the soil is never totally dry. For despatch, the rhizomes will be packed in slightly moist coco-peat. Please plant as soon as possible after arrival.

Anemone nemorosa – dainty flowers of palish mauve-blue, \$3.00

- A. nemorosa alba dainty white flowers. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Allenii' famous variety with pale blue flowers, pinkish outside, \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Blue Bonnet' lavender-blue stained purple outside.\$3.00
- A nemorosa 'Blue Queen' choice blue. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Bowles Variety' lovely selection of pale-mid blue. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Bowles Purple' flowers of delicate, light blue-purple, \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Bracteata' fascinating doubled flowers of green, white and blue. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Hilda' rare offering of this lovely large white.. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Leeds Variety' a fine, large-flowered white (syn. grandiflora), \$3.00

- A. nemorosa 'Lychette' delicate colour and lovely form. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Pentre Pink' delightful whitish flowers delicately flushed pink, \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Robinsoniana' large flowers of pale lavender-blue, \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Wilks' White' a fine white variety. \$3.00
- A. nemorosa 'Winterwood Pink' delicate flowers flushed with pink. \$3.00
- A. x lipsiensis a charming little hybrid from A. nemorosa x A. ranunculoides. Dainty flowers of creamy-lemon-yellow. \$3.00



#### Arisarum

Arisarum proboscoideum – the Mouse Plant. A little "Picture Book" aroid with carpet of glossy, heart-shaped leaves and delightful mouse-like spathes in spring. \$4.00

Arum – a fine genus of aroids, hardy and easily grown. Good in semi-shade.

Arum concinnatum – elongated, heart-shaped leaves with light mottling. Inflated spathes of greenish-white sometimes palely flushed pink. Easy and increases well, \$4.00



Arum palaestinum – a remarkable species with long green spathes opening up to a dark, glossy maroon interior. Eye-catching in early-mid spring. \$4.00



### Asphodelus

Asphodelus albus – a fine, sculptural plant with a cluster of Kniphofia-like, strappy leaves and tall spike carrying many starry white flowers with black filament-threads among the petals. Mid spring. Rare and just a few to offer, \$8.00

#### Bellevalia

Bellevalia pycnantha – a marvellous early spring flowering bulb, like a big Grape Hyacinth. Long lasting spike of many, little, dark blue-black flowers. Easy. \$3.00

## Brimeura

Brimeura amethystina - charming little bulb - rather like a dwarf Bluebell. Slender stems to about 15 cm with pendent, bright blue bells in mid-late spring, \$2.00

# Chasmanthe

Chasmanthe bicolor – an easy South African bulb with fans of pale green leaves and tall stems with narrow, tubular flowers of red, yellow and green. Early spring. \$3.00

*Chionodoxa* – beautiful, small bulbs with starry flowers in late winter – early spring. Commonly known as 'Glory of the Snow'. Easy growers in cool-climate gardens.

Chionodoxa forbesii 'Pink Giant' – outstanding dwarf bulb with large, starry pink flowers in early spring. \$3.50

Chionodoxa gigantea alba – large, starry white flowers on stems about 10 cm tall. \$3.50

Chionodoxa luciliae -lovely display of starry, bright blue flowers with white eyes. \$3.50

Chionodoxa nana – a delightful dwarf with flattish, little, starry flowers of pale blue to white. Not often available. Just a few to offer. \$3.00

Chionodoxa sardensis – exquisite little bulb with rich blue starry flowers, four to ten or more per stem. Very desirable spring jewel. \$4.00

**Colchicum** – a marvellous genus of "bulbs" which produce showy, Crocus-like flowers in autumn. These are very easy growers and thrive in any reasonable garden soil in sun or semi-shade. Probably better in the ground rather than in pots.



Colchicum agrippinum - easy grower. Many chequered lilac-mauve flowers. \$3.00

Colchicum autumnale – an easy species with many starry, mauve-pink flowers. \$3.50

Colchicum byzantinum – another easy garden gem – known in cultivation for over 400 years! Profuse display of lilac-pink flowers, late summer to early autumn. \$3.50

Colchicum byzantinum album – choice white form of above with faint lilac petal tips. Greatly sought after. Just a few to offer. \$10.00

Colchicum cilicicum – a top class autumn "bulb" with a profusion of purple flowers in mid April. Long lasting display. One of the best garden species. \$4.50

Colchicum corsicum – a small species from Corsica with narrow foliage and pale pinkish-purple flowers. Rare offering. Collector's item. \$6.00

Colchicum cretense – another rare offering. From high altitudes in Crete this species produces purple-pink flowers, before the leaves, in autumn. Few only. \$6.00

Colchicum parnassicum – a desirable species from central Greece with nice display of starry pinkish-purple flowers in mid autumn. \$3.50



Colchicum speciosum 'The Giant' – a showy display of large, goblet-shaped flowers, lilac-pink in colour and on tall tubes. Very easy grower and increases well. \$3.00

*Crocus* – superb little cool-climate bulbs with various species producing their flowers in autumn, winter and spring. The accuracy of the use of the name *chrysanthus*, as below, is dubious. The whites and blues in this group could just as easily be listed as *biflorus* while the *flavus* x 'Yellow Mammoth' is maybe also known as 'Yellow Giant'/'Dutch Yellow'.

Crocus chrysanthus varieties flower late winter to early spring.

- C. chrysanthus 'Ard Schenk' beautiful, large, sparkling white, yellow eye. \$3.00
- C. chrysanthus 'Blue Pearl' an exquisite silvery, lavender-blue, yellow throat. \$3.00
- C. chrysanthus 'Cinderella' delightful flowers of white striped pale blue. \$3.00
- C. chrysanthus 'E. P. Bowles' rich yellow flowers feathered chocolate. \$3.00
- C. chrysanthus 'Fuscotinctus' rich golden gem brushed and striped with brown. \$3.00

- C. chrysanthus 'Prince Claus' striking white with yellow eye, blue outside. \$3.00
- C chrysanthus 'Purity' a very lovely all-white with blush of blue at base. \$3.00
- C. chrysanthus 'Romance' large chalices of rich buttery-cream, \$3.00

Crocus flavus 'Yellow Mammoth' – a wonderful display of bright yellow flowers in late winter. Often produces 3 or 4 flowers per corm. \$2.50

Crocus longiflorus – outstanding species in late autumn. Medium-large flowers of beautiful lilac colouring with orange-red style and exquisite scent. Few only. \$4.00

Crocus pulchellus – an easy and desirable autumn-flowering species. Goblet shaped flowers on tall tubes, bluish-lilac with yellow throat and white anthers. \$3.00

Crocus sativus – the Saffron Crocus. Showy, large lilac-blue flowers, well veined and with great, lolling red stigmata. Autumn flowering. This herbal gem likes rich, well-cultivated soil for best flower (and saffron!) production. Limited stock. \$4.00

Crocus sieberi tricolor – superb late-winter crocus with showy flowers of rich violetpurple and bold, golden eye-zone strikingly bordered white. An outstanding tricolour effect. Top favourite but only limited stock. \$6.00

Crocus sieberi 'Violet Queen' – a top quality Crocus for the late winter garden. Light violet-purple flowers with yellow throat. \$3.00

Crocus vernus selections. Large-flowered Crocus blooming late winter to early spring.

- C. vernus 'Flower Record' big, bold flowers of richest purple. \$2.50
- C. vernus 'Grand Maitre' lovely variety with large silvery-lilac-blue blooms. \$2.50
- C. vernus 'Jeanne d'Arc' (Joan of Arc) large, tulip-shaped flowers of white. \$2.50
- C. vernus 'Pickwick' large, cup-shaped flowers of blue-purple striped white. \$2.50
- C. vernus 'Vanguard' lovely light mauve, silver-grey outside, \$2.50



MIXED CROCUS – this stock originally from the famous garden of Miss Essie Huxley. Mixture includes species such as *Cc serotinus*, *salzmannii*, *pulchellus*, *kotschkyanus* and others. Plant and leave to naturalise for the future. 6 for \$5.00

# Cyclamen

Cyclamen coum – this dwarf plant is always one of the highlights of the winter garden. Chubby little flowers varying from white to silvery-pink to rose and magenta, all with deeper purple "noses", over a clump of rounded green leaves – many delightfully marked with silver. Easy grower which thrives in semi-shade. \$5.00 or 3 for \$14.00



Cyclamen graecum – superb, velvety leaves beautifully veined and patterned (worth growing for the leaves alone!). Tuber forms a long, dock-like root. Plant in a sunny, well-drained position. Once established, this species produces a fine display of many silvery-pink flowers from early right through to late autumn. \$5.00 or 3 for \$14.00

Cyclamen hederifolium – wonderful garden plant with a profusion of flowers from mid summer right through autumn. Colour ranges from white through light, medium and rich pinks. Ivy-shaped leaves with silver-grey patterning. Loves semi-shade. \$4.50, 3 for \$12

### Erythronium

These are the exquisite Trout Lilies or Dog's Tooth Violets. Plant in a woodland-type situation with deep, leafy soil and semi-shade.

Erythronium tuolumnense – a wonderful American species with plain green foliage and stems to about 25 cm with yellow, recurving, lily-like flowers in early spring. \$5.00

Erythronium 'White Beauty' – trout-mottled leaves and creamy-white flowers with recurving petal tips and faint brown markings in the eye-zone. \$5.00



Fritillaria – picture-book bell-flowers on semi-shade-loving bulbs.

Fritillaria acmopetala – an easy species with tall stems and largish green bell-flowers marked with brown. Increases well but often takes a couple of seasons to make its own "colony" and settle into flowering. \$5.00



Fritillaria verticillata – another easy species with tall stems carrying up to 6 bell-flowers of cream palely tessellated with green. Bulbs do best planted deep in well-drained soil. \$5

### Galanthus

These are the greatly sought after "True Snowdrops"



Galanthus caucasicus 'Early Giant' – a superb winter-flowering plant with relatively large, pure white flowers with single green horse-shoe marking on the inner petals. Just a few to offer. Limit of 1 per customer. \$12.00

Galanthus elwesii – beautiful, large white 'Snowdrop' with extended green patch on the inner petals. Grey leaves and strong grower. Late winter to early spring. \$8.00

Galanthus 'Lady Beatrix Stanley' – a treasured selection with pure white flowers and rosette-double centre marked with green. Few only. Limit 1 per customer. \$10.00.

Galanthus woronowii – an exquisite little true Snowdrop. Pendent, pure white bell-flowers with green horse-shoe marking on inner petals. Winter flowering. Few. \$7.00

Gladiolus - an outstanding genus with many garden gems. The varieties listed can all be planted as garden perennials – perhaps just lifted every three or four years for division.

Gladiolus byzantinus – an easy, hardy species which increases well. Tall spikes of showy maroon-purple flowers late spring to early summer. Lovely for garden and cutting. \$4.00

Gladiolus colvillei 'The Bride' – an exquisite beauty! Fine, slender growth and up-facing, creamy-white, flanged trumpet-flowers faintly tinged green. Late spring. Few only. \$6.00

Gladiolus nanus 'Blushing Bride" – (occasionally listed in mainland catalogues as nanus 'Nymph'). This is one of the most beautiful "bulbs" in the garden here. Tall, arching stems bear a long succession of gorgeous white flowers with a carmine-pink bordered flake on the lower petals. Flowers November to December. \$5.00 each or 2 for \$9.00

G. nanus 'Cardinalis' – long-time favourite with arching stems of vibrant red flowers and purple-red-bordered white flakes on the lower petals. Early summer flowering. (Please note this is being offered elsewhere as 'Amanda Mahy") \$5.00 or 2 for \$9.00

Gladiolus nanus 'Carine' – a recent introduction with compact dagger-spikes of broadpetalled creamy-white flowers vibrantly splashed with purple flake on the lower petals. A very fine cut-flower. Late spring to early summer. \$4.50 or 2 for \$8.00

G. nanus 'Claudia' – spikes of dark maroon-red flowers with dagger-shaped, creamy-white throat markings. Fairly upright growth. Late spring blooming, \$4.50 or 2 for \$8.00

G. nanus 'Prince Claus' – similar to 'Blushing Bride' but the stems are slightly taller and a little more upright. Spikes of large white flowers have handsome carmine flakes coloured-in with pinkish-violet. Very lovely. \$5.00 or 2 for \$9.00



Hermodactylus tuberosus — the Snake's Head or Widow Iris. A remarkable plant growing from underground rhizomes. Late winter to early spring flowering with green standards and velvety black-brown fall petals. Nicely scented. Hot, dry summers produce best flowering. \$4.50 or 2 for \$8.00

*Hyacinthoides hispanica* – Spanish Bluebells. Wonderful display in mid spring from these easy bulbs which thrive in a sunny or semi-shaded position in the garden.

H. hispanica 'Blue' – strong growing and masses of blue bells. \$1.50 or 4 for \$5.00

H. hispanica 'Pink' – lots of lilac-pink bells. \$1.50 or 4 for \$5.00

H. hispanica 'White' - profusion of white bells. \$1.50 or 4 for \$5.00

#### Irises

*Iris reticulata* group – these are superb dwarf bulbs flowering from late winter to early spring. Plant in well drained soil with added lime. Ideal for rockeries and pots.

Iris reticulata 'Alida' – a delightful flower of light china-blue with lemon-yellow tongue. A fairly recent introduction, \$4.50 or 2 for \$8.00

I. reticulata 'Harmony' - excellent variety with rich blue flowers. \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.00

I. reticulata 'J. S. Dijt'- splendid dwarf with burgundy-purple flowers. \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.

I. reticulata 'Purple Gem' - rich violet-purple with thin orange tongue, \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.

*Iris spuria* group — marvellous architectural plants for the back of the garden border. Tall, sword-like foliage and even taller stems of handsome flowers from late spring to early summer. Easy in ordinary garden soil but will take a season to settle. Good cut flower.

Iris monnieri – a vigorous Spuria with fine display of bright yellow flowers. \$4.50

*Iris ochroleuca* – another fine species with strong, hardy growth. Tall spikes with large white flowers, yellow tongue on the fall petals. Limited stock. \$5.00

I. 'Dawn Candle' – very lovely Spuria. White standards, flaring lemon falls. \$5.00

I. 'Intensity' - beautiful coppery-brown Spuria. Orange tongue and veining, \$5.00

*Ixia* – easy growing South African 'Corn Lilies'. Tall, wiry stems with brightly coloured flowers from mid spring to early summer. Good for naturalising. Lovely cut flowers.

Ixia paniculata - (syn. Morphixia) tubular orange flowers in late spring. \$2.00

MIXED IXIAS - wonderful colour range including many candy-stripes. 5 for \$4.00

#### Lachenalia

Commonly called 'Soldier Boys'. Spikes of many pendent, tubular bell-flowers in late winter to early spring. Hot, dry summers produce best flowering but these are not very frost tolerant so best in pots in cold areas.

Lachenalia pendula - fine display of many bricky-rose-red flowers in late winter. \$2.00

Lachenalia quadricolor - wonderful spikes of purple, red, yellow and green bells. \$1.50

#### Merendera

Merendera montana – a delightful miniature for the avid bulb collector. Large, open faced flowers of rosy-lilac with white centre zone sit on the ground. Leaves follow later. Autumn flowering. Rare offering. Limit 1 per customer, \$7.00

*Muscari* – Grape Hyacinths. Very easy to grow bulbs – most of which increase well. Long time garden favourites which are good for naturalising.

Muscari ambrosiacum 'Fantasy Creation' – amazing plumed flowers of misty blue-cream to lilac. An easy growing hybrid with good increase. \$2.50 or 2 for \$4.00

Muscari argei album – delightful little bulb with neat spikes of white. Few only, \$3.00

M. armeniacum 'Blue Spike' - rich blue spikes in early spring. Once settled in and growing well this "doubles" its flowers to look like a conifer. \$1.50 or 3 for \$4.00

#### **Odontostomum**

Odontostomum hartwegii – a rare dwarf bulb for 'Collectors'. Many little white flowers, sharply reflexed, on a much-branched stem. Late spring to early summer. Does best where the summer is hot and dry. Just a few to offer. \$6.00

*Ornithogalum* – very easy to grow bulbs for pots, garden and naturalising.

Ornithogalum conicum – a handsome 'Chincherinchee' with spikes of many cup-shaped, up-facing white flowers with greenish-yellow eye zone. Stems about 40 cm tall. Flowers end of spring to early summer. Long lasting, 3 weeks or more, as a cut flower. \$3.00

Ornithogalum nutans – 'Silver Bells'. An intriguing bulb with a head of semi-translucent, whitish bell flowers with a green stripe down each petal. \$3.00

Ornithogalum sibthorpii – a very attractive dwarf bulb with white-striped, grey-green leaves in a rosette beneath a flat-topped raceme of starry white flowers. Few only. \$4.00

#### Puschkinia

Puschkinia scilloides – a beautiful dwarf bulb with clusters of pale blue, starry bell-flowers with a darker blue stripe down each petal. Stems about 10 cm tall. Flowers in early spring. Probably best in cool climates. \$4.00

Scilla – a choice genus of many fine garden bulbs. Easy to grow in pots or planted out. Delightful, starry flowers, mostly in shades of blue.

Scilla melaina – a beautiful dwarf species with dainty stems of 2 to 4 richly coloured dark blue bells. Early spring. Very desirable. \$4.00

Scilla monophyllus – late winter flowering with spikes of many little starry lilac-blue flowers. Good grower and flowers well but only steady of increase here, \$3.00

S. tubergeniana – (now re-named S. mischtschenkoana). An exquisite dwarf bulb in very early spring. Starry flowers of a delicate, pale blue. Likes cool conditions. \$4.00

#### Sternbergia

Sternbergia lutea – a top class autumn-flowering bulb. Large, vibrant yellow, crocus-like flowers. Thrives in a warm, sunny position with well-drained soil. \$4.00



#### Trillium

Trillium sessile – the fabulous American Wood Lily. Delightful flowers of creamy-white to pink to magenta/burgundy sit on top of 3 decorative, broad leaves, green and lightly mottled with brown. Early spring flowering and delicious, light fragrance. One of the very finest plants for semi-shade. \$14.00 or 3 for \$40.00 (Limit 3 per customer.)

Tritonia - easy to grow "bulbs" from South Africa with Freesia-like flowers in spring.

Tritonia crocata - showy display of bright orange flowers in mid-late spring. \$2.50

Tritonia flabellifolia – distinctly "plump" leaves and stems to about 30 cm with tubular flowers of creamy-lemon with fine red line. \$3.00

*Tritonia lineata rosea* – lovely for pots and garden. Twisting flower stems to about 40 cm tall and long display of creamy-pink flowers with fine veining. \$2.50

Tulipa – the gorgeous Tulips have provided much joy here at Glenbrook this past spring. It is a real pleasure to be able to offer a good selection of these garden gems this season. Bulbs of the *species* group and their garden forms can be left planted in the garden for several years before lifting. Those from the 'Darwin', 'Flame' and 'Lily-Flowered' groups are best lifted in early summer, stored in dry shade and replanted in April-May. (Brown paper bags in a cool, dry cupboard are ideal for Tulip bulb storage.)

## Tulipa species and garden forms

Tulipa fosteriana 'Orange Emperor' – lovely selection with stems about 30 cm tall and cup shaped flowers of buff-orange outside, bright orange inside. Early spring. \$3.00

Tulipa fosteriana 'Princeps' – a top favourite with large, brilliant red vase-shaped flowers on stems just 25 cm tall. Grey-green foliage. Early spring. \$3.00

Tulipa fosteriana 'Purissima' – superb white flowers opening to shimmering wide bowls in the sunshine. Just a few to offer. \$5.00 or 2 for \$9.00. Limit 2 per customer.

Tulipa fosteriana 'Red Emperor' – grey-green leaves and amazing flowers, from slender buds, open brilliant red with black centre bordered yellow. Early spring. \$4.50

Tulipa fosteriana 'Summit' – hardy old variety with yellow flowers, black centre. \$2.50

Tulipa greigii 'Cape Cod' – grey-green leaves faintly mottled with purple. Cup shaped flowers are showy yellow, gaily painted up each petal with orange-red. \$2.50

Tulipa greigii 'Red Riding Hood' – a beautiful little plant. Leaves are strikingly striped in rich purple. Open-faced, cup-shaped flowers of vibrant rose-red. Mid spring, \$3.00

Tulipa greigii 'Toronto' – leaves lightly mottled in purple and multi-flowered stems of salmon-pink blooms which open wide in sunlight. Mid spring, \$2.50

Tulipa linifolia – one of the very finest miniature species. Brilliant red flowers on quite short growth – about 10 cm tall. Floriferous and really choice! Mid spring. \$4.00

Tulipa saxatilis – the Satin Tulip from Crete. Multi-flowered stems carry showy, shiny lilac blooms with bold yellow base. Opens wide in sunlight. Early-mid spring. \$3.00

Tulipa turkestanica – a fine little species with several flowers on each stem about 15 to 20 cm tall. Cups of cream and yellow with pointed petals. Early spring. \$4.00

# **Darwin Tulips**

These are the classic cup or egg-shaped Tulips. They have large flowers on stems about 35 to 40 cm tall. Flowering period here is mid September through till mid-late October. (Darwin, Flame and Lily Flowered Tulips all appreciate well-drained, fertile soil with added lime if the soil is acidic. Stems grow taller in climates with colder winters.)

- T. 'Apeldoorn' wonderful, bright red with black base. Long time favourite. \$2.00
- T. 'Golden Apeldoorn" another superb variety. Rich yellow with black base. \$2.00
- T. 'Ile de France' high pointed buds open to egg-shaped flowers of ruby-cherry. \$2,50
- T. 'Pink Impression' soft-mid pink outside opening to deeper salmon-pink. \$2.50
- T. 'Purple Flag' vigorous variety with large purple flowers. \$2.00
- T. 'Sancerre' tall stems with large, egg-shaped flowers of yellow, Lovely, \$2.50
- T. 'Spryng' stunning variety with giant flowers of vibrant red. \$3.00
- T. 'World's Favourite' simply outstanding! Bright orange-red edged with yellow. \$2,50

# Flame Tulips

These are "Picture" or "Storybook" Tulips with fabulous flamed or striped flowers.

- T. "Carnival de Nice' a delightful little plant with leaves margined/variegated with cream and small double flowers. These are like little white peony roses pencil-lined and finely flamed at the base with bright red. Mid spring, \$4.00
- T. 'Happy Generation' stunning cup-shaped flowers on stems about 40 cm tall. Blooms are sparkling white with cream flares at the base and narrow red flames up the petals. White margined foliage is an added attraction. Mid spring, \$4.00
- T. 'Holland Queen' a striking beauty with big, broad and fiery-red flamed flowers margined dramatically in golden yellow. Strong grower. Mid-late spring, \$4.00
- T. 'Silverstream' grey leaves striped cream. Large, cup-shaped flowers of creamy-lemon lightly streaked and fascinatingly spotted with red. Few only. \$4.50
- T. 'Vlammenspel' famous variety. Big flowers open yellow and develop striking red flames and some speckling as they mature. Eyecatching garden and cut flower, \$4,00

## **Lily Flowered Tulips**

- T. 'Moonshine' tall yellow buds with flaring, pointed tips. \$4.00
- T. 'White Triumphator' elegant, long white buds, the pointed tips curving out. \$4.00

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SUMMER CATALOGUE: January till April, 2012.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Catalogue issued from Glenbrook. 2011 was an exceptionally good year for bulb growth here and I hope you will be pleased with the extensive range of bulbs I can offer this season.

Business notes: Glenbrook is a one-man-band! Everything to do with the business is handled personally by 'Yours Truly' and about three quarters of my annual earnings come in just 3 months. Glenbrook basically operates as "Mail Order" but local customers who wish to collect bulb parcels personally are welcome to do so – so long as you let me have your order 4 or 5 days in advance. This gives me the necessary time for processing the "paperwork" as well as packing the bulbs! Collect date anytime January 30 or on.

All orders to be despatched in the mail will be acknowledged on arrival. This means that five or six days after posting your order you will receive an Order Acknowledgement Slip from GBF thanking you for your order and advising you the **approximate** date that I expect to despatch your parcel in the mail. The date can only be approximate because of a myriad of possible reasons for "getting out" by a day or two. Then, when your parcel is despatched, I also send a Parcel Despatch Advice so you know your parcel is on its way.

# Payment for orders:

For people collecting personally it is fine to pay when you pick-up your parcel — or you can send a cheque with your order. Whatever suits you best!

For parcels to be despatched in the mail please send either a cheque or Money Order (from Aus. Post Office) with your bulb order. I do not deposit your cheque into my business account until the day your parcel is posted. If ever anything should "go amuck" with me it is guaranteed your payment will be returned to you. I have zero tolerance of "dodgy trade practices".

Most of you will appreciate that this catalogue features lots of really choice bulbs – quite a number not being commercially available elsewhere. Also, this season, I am listing a number of fine items from stock purchased from the estate of the late Essie Huxley. Essie, who passed away some years ago, was an Australian gardening icon and bulbs derived from her stock are marked with large asterisks on the left-hand page margins. Some items listed are quite rare and for this reason I ask that you please place your order as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Cost towards Packing and Postage
Within Tasmania \$7.00 Mainland \$9.00

Hope you enjoy the Catalogue! All Best Wishes for Happy Gardening in 2012.



## ROD'S NEWS FROM GLENBROOK

Well, dear readers, a very different catalogue this year compared to last.

As mentioned in the June, 2011, Glenbrook Winter List (and also on Page 1 of this Catalogue) I acquired earlier last year an extensive collection of bulbs that were formally in the very famous garden of the late Miss Essie Huxley of Longley. Essie was an Australian gardening icon, greatly renowned for more than half a century, and taking-on near 300 pots and tubs of her "bulb legacy" was a great challenge for me – almost like adding a whole new garden to Glenbrook. The historic significance of Essie's bulb collection is such that I want to get distributed, to other keen gardeners, as many varieties of these bulbs as possible. You will have noted quite a number of these bulbs in the General List marked with an asterisk – so that, if you want, you can "continue the line".

Needless-to-say, the extra time and work involved has somewhat changed the perspective of this catalogue. Something has had to give! Therefore I have delayed production of a list of the bigger exhibition daffodils until early March. Such a list is probably not of much interest to 85 % of you receiving this catalogue but for those who would like a copy of the larger, Divisions 1 to 4 Exhibition Daffodils List please send me a note and a printed List of these will be sent to you in early March.

Scarcely any of you, receiving this catalogue, would have met my dad, Syd Barwick, who was born in the early 1900s and died in 1992. In the late 1920s and through the 30s Syd was a noted sportsman, outstanding cricketer (according to newspaper clippings of the time) and fine footballer, hunter and axeman. He reputedly used to be able to cut 5 tons of wood per day (with an axe!) and load this on a horse-drawn wooden dray and deliver it same day. Later in Syd's life I was added to the Barwick family – a sickly, weedy, runt – incapable of doing "a proper hard day's work" in my life. You really don't need to know any of this, readers, except for the fact that weedy-runty-me is now within 10 months of the age at which strongman Syd could no longer work (at least, not for many hours per day). Strange, really. But, as I go into my 41<sup>st</sup> year of bulb-growing here, nobody knows better than I that "the writing is on the wall". And I'll mention "one of the signs" (I hope amusingly) just a little later in these notes.

Most of you know that I live the life of a recluse — well, a semi-recluse, at least. My sister Anne does what little shopping is necessary for basic essentials here at Glenbrook - and handles the post office stuff too. Consequently, between the Claremont Lily Show in January, 2011, and the spring shows in September I was hardly ever away from home. Since the September shows I have not actually been away from the Glenbrook property. So, you can see, readers, flower shows are pretty much my only interest-in and contact-with the outside world! No newspapers, no television or radio news here, no outside social life — just plants, animals and birds (and the occasional caller) at Glenbrook.

#### 2011 Spring Show Reports:

First weekend in September was the Claremont Spring Show where Glenbrook benched some 250+ daffodils. The date was early but the season had been very kind and there

were plenty of entries on the benches. Glenbrook flowers were honoured to receive awards for Grand Champion in Show, Champion Seedling and Champion White Large Cup with a seedling bred from the immaculate pedigree of 'Homestead' x 'Lady Diana", Champion Yellow Large Cup with an 'Ah Gee' seedling, Champion 2 W-Y with a 'Mopoke' seedling, Champion White Small Cup with 'Auxanges', Champion Pink with a 'Vahu' seedling, Champion Bulbocodium with 'Mitimoto', Champion Split Corona with an 'Arwon' seedling and Champion Div. 12 with a 'Little Beauty' x Hoop Petticoat seedling. Further awards included the Open Gold Ribbon for 3 Divs. 5 to 13, United Kingdom Prize for 3 UK raised, American Prize for 5 raised in the USA, Atkin Prize for 3 raised in New Zealand and Stonemans Prize for Best Vase of 7.

Second weekend in September was the Hobart Horticultural Society Show in the beautiful Hobart Town Hall. I had been told that exhibits may be down in numbers at this show so for a  $36^{th}$  year in succession I "put in the big ones" to try to support our beloved daffodils. It takes a major effort to present 250 daffs one weekend and then be ready 5 days later to bench another 175 or so. And actually, readers, my Friday morning breakfast at 6.00 am, pre attending Hobart Show was ...... don't tell anyone this ...... a large spoon of honey and a decent nip of single malt! And I had another dose of the same a few minutes later (just to keep the old body going). Amazing really - the sacrifices we make for flowers.

The daffs themselves must have been uplifted by my dedication and the Hobart judges bestowed on them awards for Champion Yellow Trumpet, Champion White Large Cup, Champion Jonquil, Champion Poeticus, Champion Div. 12 and Champion Species along with major trophy class wins in the Radcliff Cup – 6 seedlings, United Kingdom Prize – 3 UK raised, American Daffodil Society Prize – 5 US raised, Maddock Silver Tray – 6 Large Cups, Duncan Cup – 6 vases of 3 and, finally, the Hybridiser's Innovation Award.

Then, on the Sunday night after Hobart Show, we hosted a party in the tumbledown Glenbrook cottage to celebrate 40 full springs of bulb growing here. John Panckridge's quartet of musicians was superb, poetry flowed and then guests sang old-time songs accompanied by Owen Davies on violin and Cherelle Gadge on Piano Accordion. For me, and I hope for most of the 50 guests, it was a special celebration of four decades of doing what I like best — and trying to share that joy as best I can with others too.

But, after the celebrations, the daff season was still in full swing and on the third weekend in September there was a new daffodil show to attend.

It is now 27 years since I, with terrific help from my family, got the initial Claremont Spring Flower Shows up and running. (These shows are now run by a CFSG committee.) In the ensuing years other long-established Tasmanian spring shows have "fallen by the wayside" so it was fascinating to see a new show being organised. Mr. Owen Davies, violinist extraordinaire and mad-keen narcissophile, set to work with members of the All Saints Church at South Hobart to organise one of the most delightful daffodil shows anyone can ever remember attending. Set in the historic and beautifully preserved buildings and delightful garden setting behind the All Saints Church the show was an exquisite combination of flowers, music, art, garden stalls and warm hospitality – the kind of dream event that you rarely get to experience. Owen had asked Yours Truly to draft

some sketches for a colouring-in competition at the show. This was a pretty big honour for me as the old eyesight ain't what it used to be and decades of top-shelfing have taken their toll on left-hand stability too. Never mind – five quirky drawings were penned and one of these (indicative of the current mental state) has had a "wash" put over it for use as the front cover of this catalogue.

Now, an amusing aside, readers: I gather that a lot of taller people don't feel all that comfortable about the height limits of the vertically-challenged in this world, so the cover drawing will not be especially appreciated by some. I am often entertained by this and reminded of a poem by John Kendrick Bangs titled 'The Little Elf'.

It goes thus: I met a little Elf-man once, down where the lilies blow.

I asked him why he was so small, and why he didn't grow.

He slightly frowned, and with his eye he looked me through and through 'I'm quite as big for me" he said, 'As you are big for you.'

One more thing to say about the All Saints event. When "presentations" were made to prize winners at the end of the show it looked like the cash prize-money for Glenbrook entries may have totalled somewhere between \$800.00 to \$1200.00 or more. I don't know exactly. Once other exhibitors had left the show hall I asked the All Saints committee to gather for a moment so I could say a personal thanks for their magnificent work and then, every prize envelope allocated to Glenbrook was returned to the All Saints show funds. You may find this hard to believe, readers, especially given that bulb growing is far from a high-paid profession, but I'm not much interested in "winning" or "taking home the bikkies" – so it's no wonder I don't "fit in" with the world at large, is it?

It is early January as I draw these notes from Glenbrook to a close and, all being well, this catalogue should reach Tasmanians on the Glenbrook mailing list just a day or two before the Claremont Lily and Summer Flower Show being held at the Claremont Memorial Hall on Saturday and Sunday, January 14 and 15. This will be the twentieth anniversary Lily and Summer Flower show and I hope lots of you will come along to see the best that bulb growers can put on display. For the first time ever there will be a "blokes only" flower arrangement class at Claremont and I am forecasting that a wee bit of horticultural humour may come to the fore. I doubt that many of the "contestants" will be too concerned about final placement of the prize cards!

There is an old poem that includes the lines:

'The year ahead — what will it bring? At least we may be sure of spring!' For me, life has reached that stage where the spring may yet be certain — but seeing it is somewhat less definite. If "we" get there, I'll try to host a garden visit/September soiree.

In the meantime, the very best of good wishes to you all for happy gardening in 2012.

Cheers always,



