



Spring-Blooming Bulbs

2021 Catalogue

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Fall is lovely but now is the time to jump ahead and think about your spring garden colors! This year, the SHS is pleased to offer an increased selection of spring-blooming bulbs that will add fabulous color and texture to your garden and lawn. Some of the 16 varieties are classic favorites and others such as Allium 'Rosy Dream' are fun new varieties that will make unique additions to your garden. Almost all are pollinator-friendly choices for bees and butterflies! And as a bonus this year, we are offering a bit of end-of-season magic with several varieties of fall-blooming bulbs flowering in pots and ready to be put into the ground immediately. Get digging now and look forward to a gorgeous spring 2022!

ALLIUM 'MOUNT EVEREST'



3 bulbs/\$15.00

Award-winning 'Mount Everest' is a stunning beauty in the garden with 6-inch wide umbels of snow-white flowers atop sturdy, upright 2'-3' stems. Naturalizes easily and attracts butterflies. For best visual impact, plant in groups of at least 10-15 bulbs. Pair with *Allium* 'Globemaster' for a festive garden experience!

- *Blooms late spring/early summer
- *Full sun
- *2'-3' high
- *Deer-resistant/pollinator friendly
- *Plant 3-4 per sq. ft/7" deep

ALLIUM 'PURPLE SENSATION'



3 bulbs/\$6.00

A gardening favorite! This is the earliest and one of the more affordable alliums with 4" violet, globe-shaped flowerheads. For best visual impact, plant in groups of at least 10-15 bulbs; naturalizes easily. Long-lasting blooms that make for outstanding cut flowers.

- *Blooms late spring/early summer
- *Full sun
- *2'-3' high
- *Deer-resistant/pollinator friendly
- *Plant 3-4 per sq. ft/5" deep

ALLIUM 'ROSY DREAM'



5 bulbs/\$5.00

This new allium blooms a delightful shade of lilac-pink on strong, slender stems that form a short, compact habit. Rosy Dream offers a small 3" fluffy-looking flowerhead that attracts pollinators and blooms in late spring, filling the void before summer perennials bloom. Best planted in clumps.

- *Blooms late spring/early summer
- *Full sun
- *14"-16" high
- *Deer-resistant/pollinator friendly
- *Plant 4 per sq. ft/5" deep

ALLIUM SCHUBERTII



3 bulbs/\$15.00

This popular heirloom with stunning sparkler-like blooms is a definite conversation piece. It boasts huge, 12-15" loose, spidery flowers bursting from a thick, sturdy stem that looks like a botanical firework. Wonderful as a dried specimen, too. We love it so much, we made it the SHS logo!

- *Blooms May-June
- *Full sun
- *18"-24" high
- *Deer and rabbit resistant
- *Space 12" apart/6-7" deep

ANEMONE DE CAEN 'HOLLANDIA'



10 bulbs/\$8.00

Sometimes known as poppy anemones, these beautiful open bowl-shaped 2.5" flowers are set off against a rosette of soft fern-like foliage. Especially charming as a cut flower, these bulbs are best planted en masse for a stunning effect in the front of the garden. Prolific bloomers that will naturalize if left undisturbed and also attract butterflies!

- *Blooms mid-late spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *8" high
- *Deer and rabbit resistant
- *Plant 12-16 per sq. ft./3" deep

CAMASSIA ESCULENTA



10 bulbs/\$6.00

Also known as the Camassia lily and Indian Hyacinth, the bulb of this interesting native North American plant is a member of the asparagus family and was an important food source for Native Americans and early settlers. The plants feature stunning 2" star-shaped, violet-blue blooms that thickly cover the flower stalks. Naturalizes well if left undisturbed and thrives in full sun and well-drained soil. Excellent cut flower.

- *Blooms mid-late spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *28" high
- *Deer resistant
- *Plant 8-12 per sq. ft./4" deep

CROCUS 'YELLOW'



10 bulbs/\$6.00

Giant golden-yellow blooms adorn this happy herald of springtime. Choose this rich, warm shade for a cheerful early spring show that speaks of warm days to come. Create a carpet of color by planting bulbs in garden beds, lawns, under trees, rock beds or in front of shrubs. Stunning in sweeping drifts. Naturalizes easily and beloved by bees and butterflies.

- *Blooms late winter-early spring
- *Full sun/part sun
- *5" high
- *Deer resistant
- *Plant 8-10 per sq. ft./3" deep

CROCUS VERNUS 'REMEMBRANCE'

10 bulbs/\$6.00



Another classic proclamation of spring! Velvety large royal-purple blooms that contrast perfectly with the flower's bright yellow anthers. Larger flowerheads than other crocus. Spectacular planted in sweeping drifts. Naturalizes easily and attractive to bees and butterflies.

- *Blooms late winter-early spring
- *Full sun/part sun
- *5" high
- *Deer resistant
- *Plant 8-10 per sq. ft./3" deep

DAFFODIL 'RED DEVON'

10 bulbs/\$10.00



Bold orange ruffling cups at the center of Red Devon's large 4" yellow blooms are a knockout in the garden! This award-winning heirloom is lightly perfumed, making it excellent for bouquets. A dependable performer in borders or containers and even flourishes in a naturalized setting.

- *Blooms early to mid-spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *18" high
- *Fragrant/deer resistant
- *Plant 7-8 per sq. ft./6" deep

DAFFODIL 'TAHITI'



10 bulbs/\$10.00

One of the sturdiest and most reliable of all double daffodils! This narcissus produces a bounty of bright 4" yellow blossoms, embellished with red-orange ruffled centers. Extremely vigorous and prolific, 'Tahiti' is a reliable perennial and excellent naturalizer. Winner of the Royal Horticultural Society's prestigious Award of Garden Merit.

- *Blooms mid to late-spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *16"high
- *Fragrant/deer and rabbit resistant
- *Plant 4-5 per sq. ft/6" deep

GALANTHUS ELWESII



10 bulbs/\$8.00

Commonly known as the Giant Snowdrop, this perennial is one of the earliest and loveliest of spring-blooming bulbs. For many gardeners, dainty, bell-shaped snowdrops herald the end of winter and are extremely cold hardy. Performs best in wooded shady areas, under shrubs or at the garden's edge. Naturalizes easily and comes back year after year!

- *Blooms late winter-early spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *6"high
- *Deer resistant
- *Plant 10-12 per sq. ft/3" deep

HYACINTHUS 'GIPSY QUEEN'

3 bulbs/\$5.00



This award-winning, coral-colored heirloom hyacinth is a stunningly interesting and delightfully fragrant addition to the spring garden. It would be a beautiful complement to a variety of tulip colors, orange-cupped daffodils and blue muscari. Equally easy to grow in pots or containers and very attractive to bees and butterflies!

- *Blooms early-mid spring
- *Full sun/part shade
- *10"high
- *Deer resistant
- *Plant 3-4 per sq. ft/5" deep

NARCISSUS 'ZIVA'

5 bulbs/\$10.00



The all-time favorite bulb for indoor forcing is the Paperwhite Narcissus. Large clusters of pure white flowers arch above graceful, blue-green foliage, and their sweet, musky perfume fills a room with fragrance. 'Ziva' can be planted in pots with sandy soil, gravel, or stones.

- *Blooms November to January
- *14"-20" high
- *Intensely fragrant
- *Plant bulbs 3-4 per sq. ft.

PUSCHKINIA LIBANOTICA

10 bulbs/\$5.00



Also known as 'Striped Squill', this petite member of the hyacinth family thrives as a woodland planting or in rock gardens. Reaching only 4"-6" tall, *Puschkinia* is also a good choice for planting in drifts under a deciduous tree as long as there is some sunlight. Each plant produces a single stalk topped with a cluster of small bluish-white flowers lined with delicate blue stripes. Great naturalizer; spectacular in mass plantings!

- *Blooms early-mid spring
- *Full sun/part sun
- *4"-6" high
- *Deer and rabbit resistant
- *Plant 15-20 per sq. ft/3" deep

TULIP 'BLUE WOW'

5 bulbs/\$10.00



Wow, is right! This late-flowering double tulip fairly explodes with multiple layers of deep blue-purple petals that form a head that looks more like a peony or artichoke than a tulip. Long-lasting, fragrant blooms atop tall, sturdy stems also make gorgeous cut flowers. A perennial customer favorite among bulb sellers!

- *Blooms mid-late spring
- *Full sun/part sun
- *18" high
- *Plant 5 per sq. ft/5" deep

TULIP 'KINGSBLOOD'

5 bulbs/\$6.00



This is one for those who love their reds -- scarlet, cherry, ruby -- whatever the adjective, you can't get a more vibrant and gorgeous shade of red than the multiple award-winning 'Kingsblood'. This classic late-blooming, single flower tulip features a scarlet chalice atop a tall, sturdy stem that is captivating in the garden. Also gorgeous as a cut flower.

*Blooms mid-late spring

*Full sun/part sun

*24" high

*Plant 5 per sq. ft/6" deep

FALL-BLOOMING BULBS

COLCHICUM 'WATER LILY'

PRICE 1/\$6.00



The only double flowering hybrid *Colchicum*, 'Water Lily' boasts large pink flowers that light up the late summer, early-fall garden. Grows 6"-8" tall and naturalizes easily, offering a unique display. Straplike bright-green leaves emerge in late winter and die down by June. Pairs well with low-growing sedums, golden ragwort and small ferns.

*Blooms late summer/early fall

*Full sun/part shade

*6" to 8" high

CROCUS SPECIOSUS 'CONQUEROR'

PRICE 10/\$7.50



Lovely fall-blooming crocus with large goblet-shaped, intense violet blooms centered by bright orange anthers. Usually the first fall crocus to bloom, 'Conqueror' naturalizes easily and returns yearly to form large, striking colonies. Foliage is grasslike and emerges in late winter, dying back in May. Perfect in beds, borders, rock gardens or containers. Like *Colchicum*, fall-blooming crocus pairs well with low groundcovers like sedum, small ferns, plumbago and golden ragwort.

- *Blooms mid-late fall
- *Full sun/part shade
- *3-5" high
- *Plant 3" deep

STERNBERGIA LUTEA

LIMITED QUANTITIES



October blooming: PRICE 3/\$7.00
RARE September blooming: PRICE 3/\$10.00

Commonly called autumn daffodil, this fall-flowering heirloom bulb features bright yellow vase-shaped flowers. Resembling a giant crocus, *Sternbergia* form clumps, with green straplike leaves emerging with the flowers and remaining green throughout the winter until they die down in spring. Naturalizes easily and will come back yearly as long as bulbs are planted in well-drained soil. The rare September bloomer is from Charles Cresson's Hedgleigh Spring garden.

- *Blooms early fall
- *Full sun
- *Deer and rabbit resistant
- *3-6" high; plant 6" deep

