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TREE PEONY
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From the Home of Better Plants by Farr

Farr Nursery Co., Weiser Park, Pa.

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TREE PEONIES ~ The World's Royal Flowers

SURROUNDED with Oriental mysticism and romance, Tree Peonies first were introduced to England and then came to America nearly 200 years ago. Fourteen centuries ago they were the exclusive property of the Emperor of China; death was the fate of the gardener who attempted to grow Tree Peonies beyond the palace walls.

Today, Tree Peonies are the royal flowers of the world. They bring their charm and color to the humblest garden; they carry their regal glories to the largest estates. No longer are they the exclusive property of prince or potentate.

Some American plants are more than 50 years old and bloom freely. Many Farr customers have reported a hundred blooms on one plant less than 25 years old. In Norfolk,

England, an 80-year-old plant bears 400 blooms from 8 to 9 inches in diameter. Three-year-old plants may have 4 blooms, and 6-year-olds have had 25 blooms.

For twenty years and more we have planned to produce Tree Peonies at a price within the reach of all sincere gardeners. Now we have the plants, 4- and 5-year-old specimens, at less than half the prices prevailing from 1914 to 1935.

Tree Peonies prefer limed soil, good drainage, sunlight with partial shade to protect the blooms, and a lee from winter winds. Feed and cultivate the plants conscientiously and your Tree Peonies will be a source of pride and pleasure for a lifetime. Planting instructions are sent with all orders.

PLANT TREE PEONIES THIS YEAR—FALL IS THE IDEAL SEASON

The Best and Rarest Plants require no more room or attention than common sorts

Hemerocallis, Cinnabar

(STOUT—1931)

This is one of Dr. Stout's first and finest Daylily hybrids, selected and named after fifteen years of Daylily collecting, testing, and breeding, from more than 50,000 seedlings.

POINTS OF DISTINCTION ARE—

1. An exceptionally long bloom season—early July to early August.
2. Blooms carried neatly, just above the clean foliage, on stiff and stout stems.
3. A delicate sprinkling of cinnamon flecks on the outer half of rich fulvous red and gold glistening petals.
4. A bloom-spread of 5 inches, with lily-type, recurved petals.
Illustration $\frac{1}{2}$ actual size.
5. Up to 20 buds and blooms to a stem.

\$2.50 each; 5 or more at \$2.00 each

Free Replacement Guarantee

Besides guaranteeing trueness to name and safe arrival, we will replace, without charge, f. o. b. Nursery, any failures within six months after planting, if you think we or the plants were at fault, provided the account is settled within regular 30-day terms, and report of failure is made within the 30-month period.





The TWO COLLECTIONS together (combined value \$22.50) for **\$18.50** NET

Hybrid Lilacs for Hedge and Border

Unnamed, assorted Red and Pink Hybrids, 3 to 4-foot specimens. \$1.00 each; 5 or more at 85 cts. each; 25 or more at 75 cts. each.

Tulip Collections for Everyone

The following collections facilitate ordering and save money. They are guaranteed to result in a pleasing assortment. Only varieties from our "Master List" will be included. We will select varieties and will be glad to have you specify any one or two colors not desired. You may return any item included, for any reason, at our expense. All varieties will be packed in separate bags with names affixed to bags. We pay the Parcel Post on Tulips.

Tall Late Tulips (Farr Selection)

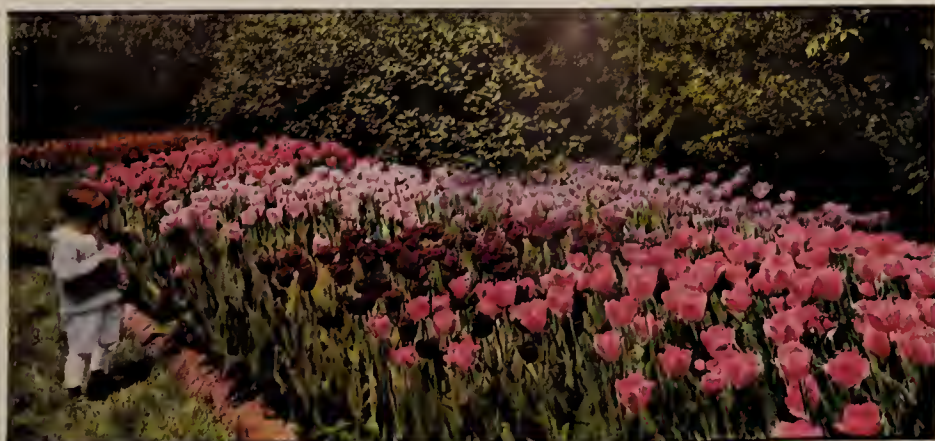
(You may specify any color not desired)

50 Tulips in 5 varieties	\$2 50
50 Tulips in 10 varieties	2 75
100 Tulips in 5 varieties	4 75
100 Tulips in 10 varieties	5 00
250 Tulips in 5 varieties	11 00
250 Tulips in 10 varieties	11 50
500 Tulips in 10 varieties	22 00

Single Early Tulips (Farr Selection)

(You may specify any color not desired)

50 Tulips in 5 varieties	\$2 75
100 Tulips in 5 varieties	5 25



Lilac Collections

These collections include only "Master List" \$5.00 varieties, which we selected and set out to produce in good quantities five years ago. They can now be furnished at these lower prices and represent an enviable assortment of Lilacs.

MOUNT VERNON COLLECTION

Jan Mace. Double; blue. 3-4'	\$2 50
Mias Ellen Willmott. Double; white. 2-3'	2 50
Paul Thirion. Double; red. 2-3'	2 50
President Fallieres. Double; pink. 3-4'	2 50
President Poincare. Double; tri-color. 2-3'	2 50

These 5 varieties (amounting to \$12.50) as a collection complete for \$10.75, net

WEISER PARK COLLECTION

Jan van Tol. Single; white. 2-3'	\$2 50
Georges Bellair. Double; red. 2-3'	2 50
Mme. F. Morel. Single; red. 2-3'	2 50
Leon Gambetta. Double; pink. 2-3'	2 50

These 4 varieties (amounting to \$10) as a collection complete for \$8.50, net

Siberian Iris, Emperor

May the Iris illustration speak for itself except to add these Five Points—

1. Withstands scorching abuse, neglect and difficult locations or soil conditions.
2. Long-lasting, liberal, dependable flowers on strong and stiff stems.
3. Increases gradually and steadily to large and accenting clumps of royal blue.
4. Fibrous-rooted and unaffected by borers or other pests.
5. Clean, attractive foliage spring to fall.

PRICES: 30 cts. each; 5 or more at 22 cts. each; 10 at 20 cts. each; 25 at 16 cts. each



From left to right, Gold Bound, Red Riding Hood, and Minerva. One plant of each for \$1.25 complete; two plants of each for \$2.00; five of each for \$3.00.

Rock-Garden Plants

30 Fine Low-Growing Perennials for Rock-Gardens
\$5.50 (CATALOG PRICE \$7.00) \$5.50

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| 3 Ajuga reptans. Bronze foliage. Blue flowers. | 4 Phlox subulata rosen. Rose-pink. |
| 3 Alyssum saxatile. April, May. Bright yellow. | 1 Saxifraga cordifolia. April. Pink. Chace foliage plant. |
| 3 Arabis alpina. April, May. White. | 1 Sedum ibericum. July, August. Pink. |
| 3 Dianthus deltoides. May-July. Pink. | 3 Sedum sexangulare. May-July. Yellow. |
| 3 Nepeta Mussini. April-June. Mauve. Gray foliage. | 3 Semprevivum Doellianum. Green. Redtips and bloom. |

Collection complete **\$5.50**

Two Collections for **\$10.00**

Irises for Mass Planting

There is self-evident merit to using Irises in massed display of preferred colors—to changing the garden effect, from time to time, as one changes wallpaper or paint in the home.

Consider also the low cost and certain results associated with Irises. Study this list and note its limitation to only choice and standard sorts.

The prices, while low, apply to the same size and quality of plant we would furnish if they were priced at \$1.00 or \$5.00 each.

- 100 or more plants of one variety at 10 cts. each.
- 50 or more plants of one variety at 12 cts. each.
- 25 or more plants of one variety at 14 cts. each.
- 10 or more plants of one variety at 16 cts. each.
- 5 or more plants of one variety at 20 cts. each.
- 1 to 5 plants of one variety at 30 cts. each.

TALL BEARDED IRISES

- Apache. Distinct coppery red.
- Archevogue. Velvety violet-purple.
- Aurea. Best low yellow.
- Ballerine. Pearl-blue and violet.
- Blanche. Large; tall; rose-pink.
- B. Y. Morrison. Violet and purple.

Cecil Minturn. Large; free; rose-pink.

Dream. A solid, clear, soft pink.

Edouard Michel. Deep red.

Fairy. White, suffused blue.

Georgia. Soft cattleya-rose.

Halo. Blue and violet.

Iris King. Yellow and maroon.

Isoline. Lilac and rose.

Juniata. Tall; clear blue.

La Neige. Ivory-white.

Lady Byng. Pale lavender.

Lent A. Williamson. Violet and purple.

Ma Mie. White, edged blue.

Mildred Presby. White and purple.

Morning Splendor. Red-purple.

Mother of Pearl. Creamy bluish lavender.

Opera. Red-lilac and purple.

Pioneer. Red-purple self.

Princess Louise. Yellow and plum.

Quaker Lady. Blended blue and gold.

Queen Caterina. Pale lavender.

Queen of May. Pink.

Ruby Perry. Uniform dark rose.

Roseway. Tall; red-pink.

Sweepway. Reddish fawn and brown.

Sweet Lavender. Rose-lavender.

Tenebrae. Rich violet-purple bicolor.

White Knight. White.

Wyomissing. Cream-white and pink.

Zua. Ruffled; white.

Fragrant Thyme for Fragrant Walks

The Thymes are ideal for ground-cover. They make medium but steady growth; never winter-kills; are insect proof; suffer no deterioration from old age; unaffected by foot traffic, and therefore permanent for between flag-stones, along paths, on terraces, etc. Always neat, low, and compact; practically evergreen. Very aromatic.

THYMUS citriodorus. Green-leaved, Lemon-scented. Excellent for seasoning foods and flavoring drinks.

Coccineus. Dark green leaves. Bright red flowers. Herbaceously aromatic.

Serpyllum lanuginosus. Gray and woolly-leaved. Bright pink flowers. Herbaceously aromatic.

3 plants of one variety at 25 cts. each; 5 at 22 cts. each; 25 at 20 cts. each. Less than 3 plants of one variety at 30 cts. each

COLLECTION OFFERS

9 plants (3 of each variety) for \$2.00.

15 plants (5 of each variety) for \$3.25.



Peony Primevere

The most practical, vigorous, free-blooming and generally dependable of the so-called yellow Peonies.

This is the first time since 1907 that our supply has exceeded demand and justifies featuring.

From 1907 to 1920 the variety was scarce and consistently listed at \$7.50 each; from 1920 to 1932 at \$5.00 each.

PRICE NOW: \$1.50 each; 5 or more at \$1.25 each; subject to supply being unsold, in case of late orders

"SELECT" PEONY COLLECTION

Adolphe Rousseau. Rich dark red.	\$1 00
Albatre. Compact; white, flecked red.	1 00
Edulis Superba. Popular early pink.	1 00
Felix Crousse. Vigorous. Bright red.	1 00
Festiva Maxima. Popular early white.	1 00
Karl Rosenfield. Vigorous. Dark crimson.	1 00
Mons. Jules Elie. Fine early dark pink.	1 00
Mons. Martin Cahuzac. Black-red.	1 50
Primevere. Cream, deep yellow center.	1 50
Reine Hortense. Large; tall; pink.	1 00
Solange. Distinct creamy salmon.	1 50
William F. Turner. Dark crimson.	2 00

COLLECTION OFFER: Any 5 or more of above varieties at 15 per cent discount from Catalog prices indicated. No discount on less than 5. We possess these choice varieties in good quantities and are pleased to be able to offer them. One each of the 12 (value \$14.50) for \$11.85 complete.

MIXED PEONIES

Make of June a Peony-time—a time when the garden will be filled to overflowing with masses of red, pink, and white Peonies—a time for gathering armfuls of waxy, dewy, fragrant blooms for the house, friends, and community.

Few cut-flowers can be handled as roughly and lastly, or will last as long indoors as Peonies. Few garden plants cause less trouble, are more dependable, and increase as surely as Peonies.

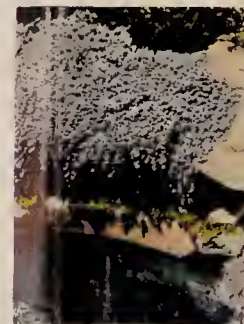
100 assorted unnamed Peonies, all colors.	\$18 50
50 assorted unnamed Peonies, all colors.	10 00
25 assorted unnamed Peonies, all colors.	6 25
10 assorted unnamed Peonies, all colors.	3 00

Rock-Garden Bulbs

This list includes only early and low-growing bulbs which tend to colonize themselves and become permanent fixtures. They will furnish bloom for several weeks before the general rock-garden display begins.

25 Crocus, Mixed (Blue, White, and Yellow).	\$0 63
25 Narcissus, Mixed (Short and long cups).	1 15
25 Low Early Tulips (Mixed colors).	1 13
25 Chionodoxa (Blue, white eye).	75
25 Muscari botryoides (Blue).	75
25 Snowdrops (White).	75
25 Scilla sibirica (Blue).	75

COLLECTION OFFERS: 25 bulbs of each variety (value \$5.91) for \$5.00 complete. 50 bulbs of each variety (value \$11.82) for \$9.50 complete.



Thymus Serpyllum lanuginosus



TREE PEONIES are "patricians of the garden" and worth every dollar they cost.

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER are the ideal planting months; bloom usually follows in spring.

TREE PEONY BLOOMS are luminously brilliant and colorful. The petals are silky and crêpy in texture.

TREE PEONIES WILL NOT WINTER-KILL, even in Canada, except, occasionally, as any plant, if transplanted very late in fall.

WE GUARANTEE against transplanting loss or winter-killing by providing free replacements of any failures within six months after planting.

Tree Peony Price-List

A list of the Tree Peonies illustrated in this circular follows. The illustrations are approximately 1/4 natural size. All varieties are equally hardy, vigorous and free blooming, having been selected from more than 200 varieties in the Farr collection and then propagated to quantity.

Selections can therefore be made according to personal preference from these accurate color reproductions.

Planting and cultural instructions will be supplied with all orders.

Prices apply to four- and five-year-old field-grown plants which have already bloomed for several years in our nursery.

Akashi-gata.....\$5 00	*Iwato-kagami.....\$7 50
Banksi.....5 00	Moutan.....5 00
Haku-raku-ten.....5 00	Tengo-Kuka.....5 00
Iro-no-seki.....5 00	Yomo-no-homare.....8 00

*See address section for color illustration of Iwato-kagami.



Moutan

TREE PEONY COLLECTIONS

- A. One plant each of Haku-raku-ten, Iro-no-seki, and Moutan (value \$15.00) for \$12.50.
- B. Any other three or more, less 10%.
- C. One plant each of eight varieties illustrated (value \$45.50) for \$40.00.

NOTE: Eight- and ten-year-old Tree Peony specimens can usually be supplied at double price



Tengo-Kuka



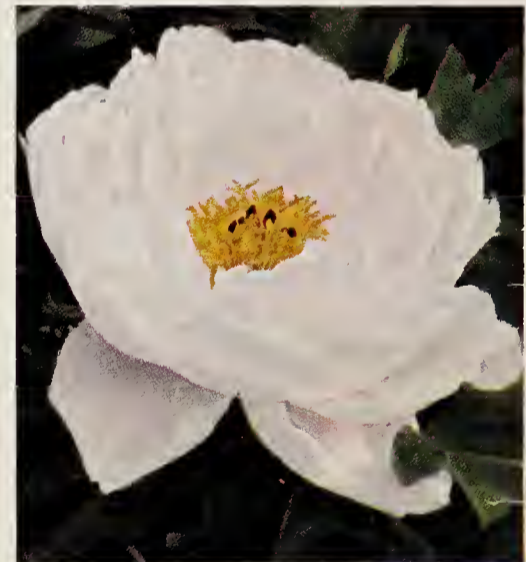
Exemplifying the brilliance of a Tree Peony Walk or Border



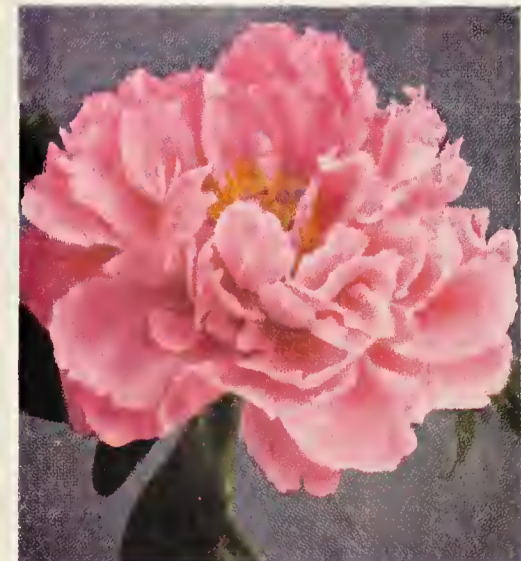
Banksi



Iro-no-seki



Haku-raku-ten



Akashi-gata



Illustrating the charm and delicacy of Tree Peony Haku-raku-ten



Yomo-no-homare