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SPRINGTIME GARDENS

GARDEN BOOK
FOR 1927
Location

SPRINGTIME GARDENS are located on the second mountain of the Watchung Range, in what is known as the Washington Valley. They lie north of Bound Brook about four miles, two miles west of Warrenville and about the same distance east of Martinsville. To reach our place from Plainfield follow Somerset Street to Watchung, turn to the left and continue past Pedeflous' Hotel to the end of the macadam road at Warrenville. Here turn to the left, then to the right at next turn and continue straight ahead about two miles. To find us from Bound Brook follow the Mountain Avenue road up the long hill to crest of first mountain, take left fork of the road and keep on until road again forks. Once more turn to the left and about one mile straight road brings you to SPRINGTIME GARDENS.

'Phone: Martinsville 204-F-5
'Phone hours: 12 to 1 P. M. and 6 to 7 P. M.

Special Notice

In order to increase our stock of Perennials we have temporarily discontinued growing Annuals with the exception of Lobelia and Heliotrope. A large number of Perennials which we have not previously carried will be found in our list this season. Many others which germinate poorly, or are unusually difficult to grow in the seedling stage, have been added, but will not be listed until we are sure of sufficient stock. If there are any plants which you need and do not find herein we would appreciate hearing from you, as possibly we may have them.

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Terms and Shipments

Prices, except where especially noted, are 25c each; $3.00 per dozen for young plants. Two year plants and field clumps are 50c each; $6.00 per dozen.

All are sturdy, well developed plants with clumps of earth around roots, chosen for their beauty of form and coloring. Deliveries will be made locally free of charge. Customers residing elsewhere will kindly state their desires concerning shipments. We recommend express, but will ship by parcel post if necessary, parcel post or express charges to be paid by purchaser. Remittance may be made by check or money order.

Greatest care will be taken in the choice and packing of these plants, but SPRINGTIME GARDENS can give no warranty or guarantee as to the productiveness of the crop.
Hardy Herbaceous Perennials

Achillea. Covered with masses of small white flowers in early Summer. Spreads rapidly. 18 inches in height.

Achillea millefolium roseum (Milfoil or Yarrow). Deep cerise flowers somewhat resembling field Yarrow in manner of growth. Handsome, dark green, feathery foliage. Midsummer and Fall. 18 to 24 inches.

Aconitum fischeri (Monkshood). Charming deep blue spikes for the Autumn Garden. 2 to 3 feet high.

Aconitum Spark's Variety. The darkest Aconitum. Long period of bloom through Midsummer. 4 to 5 feet. 35c each.

Althea (Hollyhock). Best beloved of Old Fashioned Gardens, growing 6 to 8 feet tall. Double pink, yellow and red.

Alyssum saxatile (Madwort or Golden Alyssum). Bears clusters of tiny, golden-yellow flowers in May on low stems. Keeps its grey-green foliage in excellent condition all Summer.

Alyssum saxatile Silver Queen. Closely following habit of above but with lemon colored flowers.

Anchusa italic a (Alkanet). Dropmore variety. Clouds of clear blue, small blossoms on tall bushes 4 to 6 feet high during May and June.

Anchusa myosotidflora. Sprays of tiny, blue flowers, closely resembling Forget-Me-Nots. 10 to 12 inches. 35c each.

Anthemis kelwayi (Marguerite). Resembling yellow daisy. Midsummer. 2 feet high.

Aquilegia (Columbine). Most graceful and beloved of flowers, needing no introduction. Long spurred varieties in white, pink, lavender, purple, yellow and assorted.

Arabis alpina (Rock Cress). Lovely low tufts of greyish, crinkly-edged leaves all the season, but especially valuable for its little, single, silvery-white flowers in April and May. For Border edges as well as Rockery.

Arabis alpina flore-pleno. Practically a sister of the above but with double flowers.

Arenaria montana (Sandwort). Another shiny white Spring Visitor, with a mat of low, fine, dark green foliage.
Armeria formosa (Thrift or Sea Pink). Rosy-pink heads on stiff stems 6 to 8 inches high in Midsummer.

Artemisia abrotanum (Old Man). A soft grey plant from Grandmother Gardens. About 2 feet high. Not valuable for its blossoms but only for fragrance and memories.

Artemisia lactiflora. Tall, graceful plumes of Hawthorn-scented bloom. White with attractive, dark green, finely cut foliage. Especially valuable for late Summer flowering. 3 to 4 feet.

Asclepias tuberosa (Butterfly Weed). The brilliant orange Wild Flower of our July and August fields. 1 to 2 feet.

Asperula odorata (Sweet Woodruff). A dainty shade-loving plant with miniature white flowers of exquisite fragrance in May and June. Its unusually attractive foliage makes it valuable as ground cover. 6 to 8 inches.

Aster (Michaelmas Daisy). Resembling somewhat the purple Aster of Autumn Roadsides, and indispensable for the background of the Perennial Border. Pink and lavender. 3 to 5 feet.

Astilbe (Spirea). An Old Fashioned hardy Spirea with soft, fine, feathery stalks of ivory white blossoms. July and August. 2 to 3 feet.

Astilbe Metta Imink. An unusually beautiful pink Spirea for the Midsummer Garden. Requires a little shade. 3 feet. 50c each.

Aubretia (Wall Cress). A low, lavender or purple jewel for the early Spring Garden or Rockery, with foliage somewhat resembling Arabis.

Baptisia australis (False Indigo). For the back part of the Border. Dark blue spikes about 3 to 4 feet in early Summer.

Bellis (English Daisy). A little, low, double daisy supplying a clear pink note throughout Spring and Summer. 20c each; $2.00 per dozen.

Bocconia cordata (Plume Poppy). Tall, decorative plants about 6 feet high for back part of Border. Has interesting leaves, plume-like wands of creamy flowers in Midsummer.

Boltonia (False Chamomile). Hundreds of white daisy-like flowers on sprays 6 to 7 feet high in August and September.

Campanula carpatica (Harebell). Grows about 8 inches high in compact tufts and is especially adapted to the Rock Garden and edges of Hardy Borders. Lavender-blue bells throughout Midsummer.

Campanula medium (Canterbury Bells). A biennial, but its appealing form and coloring are needed in the June Garden. Pink, blue and white.
Caryopteris (Blue Spirea). A handsome, shrub-like plant growing about 3 feet high. Branches abundantly covered with lavender-blue flowers, blooming from early September until frost. 30c each.

Centauraea (Cornflower). Similar to the Annual Cornflower but with larger flowers. Blue, lavender and yellow in July and August. About 18 inches.

Centranthus ruber (Red Valerian). A handsome plant familiar to the Gardens of long ago, now much neglected. Fragrant, cerise blooms throughout Summer. About 2 feet.

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Coreopsis lanceolata (Tickseed). Attractive golden yellow flowers on long stems throughout Summer and Fall. 2 feet.

Delphinium belladonna (Larkspur). Has no equal for exquisite light blue coloring and delicacy of form. Blooms throughout Summer and early Fall.

Delphinium bellamosum. The same branching spires as Belladonna, but clear, deep blue in coloring. Summer and early Fall.

Delphinium elatum (Bee Larkspur). Clear blue shades with black centers.

Delphinium Gold Medal Hybrids. Assorted English stock, light blues predominating.

Delphinium Queen Wilhelmina. Soft blue shading to rose.

Delphinium chinensis (Blue Butterfly). A dainty little Delphinium with finely cut foliage and a wealth of dark blue spires throughout the Summer. About 18 inches high.
**Delphinium chinensis.** Another form of the Blue Butterfly, but with entrancing white flowers with green dots on the back of each petal. A very constant little bloomer.

**Dianthus barbatus** (Sweet William). Newport Pink. A clear pink variety of the beloved Sweet William of Old Fashioned Gardens. June and July. 1 to 2 feet.

**Dianthus caesius** (Cheddar Pink). One of the very loveliest of the Dianthus family. Compact greyish tufts of foliage about 3 to 4 inches high, with sheets of pale pink flowers borne on taller stems during the early Summer.

**Dianthus deltoides** (Maiden Pink). Hundreds of joyous miniature pinks on every plant. Very vivid and arresting. Bright pink and blooming all Summer.

**Dianthus plumarius** (Spice Pink). Assorted pinks, single and double, covered with blooms and filling the June Garden with spicy fragrance.

**Dicentra formosa** (Plumy Bleeding Heart). A dwarf variety with finely cut foliage. Small pink flowers from April to August. About 12 inches. 30c each.

**Dicentra spectabilis** (Bleeding Heart). Soft pink, heart-shaped flowers on graceful, bending stems. This is one of the most exquisite early Spring visitors ever introduced into our Gardens. Blooms with the Tulip, Narcissus and Mertensia. 2 to 3 feet. 50c each.

**Echinacea purpurea** (Purple Coneflower). A plant chiefly interesting for the odd formation of the blooms, the reddish-purple petals, 4 inches in diameter, resembling those of the daisy. A brown cone in the center replacing the usual disk. 3 to 4 feet.

**Echinops ritro** (Globe Thistle). Odd metallic blue spiked balls for flowers, carried on stems about 3 feet in height. Pretty, thistle-like foliage. For the Midsummer Garden.

**Elymus Glauces** (Blue Lyme Grass). A charming blue-green grass growing in graceful clumps to fill awkward spaces or to soften a too brilliant display of flowers. 2 to 3 feet.

**Erianthus ravennae** (Plume Grass). Tall, plummy spikes, suggesting Pampas Grass.

**Eryngium amethystinum** (Sea Holly). Round, thistle-like heads of amethystine-blue with very finely cut foliage. July to September. 2 to 3 feet.

**Echinops ritro** (Globe Thistle). Odd metallic blue spiked balls for specimen planting. 6 to 7 feet.

**Eupatorium coelestinum** (Mist Flower). Fluffy, lavender, Ageratum-like blossoms late in the Summer until heavy frost. 2 to 3 feet high.
**Funkia lanceolata** (Plantain Lily). Clear lavender bells on graceful, long stems in August and September, while the sturdy, green foliage is decorative at all times. 12 to 14 inches high.

**Gaillardia** (Blanket Flower). Henna red and orange or yellow, all in one flower. Gives life and brilliance to the Midsummer Garden. 1 to 2 feet.

**Geum coccineum.** Mrs. J. Bradshaw. A new variety with striking Chinese red, double flowers. Blooms greater part of Summer. 2 feet.

**Gypsophila paniculata** (Baby's Breath). Masses of tiny, misty white flowers on slender stems. Valuable for cutting. July and August. 2 to 3 feet.

**Gypsophila repens** (Creeping Baby's Breath). A small, trailing Rock Garden plant with tiny Baby Breath blossoms through July and August.

**Helenium autumnale** (Sneeze Wort). Riverton Gem. A glorious henna red plant of the Aster type for the Autumn Garden. 3 to 4 feet. Plant with the Michaelmas Daisy.

**Hemerocallis flava major** (Lemon Lily). Perfumed, yellow lily with spiked foliage for June Gardens. 18 inches to 2 feet.

**Heuchera brizoides** (Coral Bells or Alum Root). Tiny, deep pink bells on dainty swaying stems carried well above the foliage make this an unique Summer plant. About 18 inches.

**Heuchera sanguinea.** Similar to the above but coral red in color. 18 inches.

**Hypericum moserianum** (St. John's Wort). A sub-shrub, well branched, with sulphur-yellow flowers, in shape suggesting the wild rose. Blooms continually Summer to Fall. About 2 feet. 30c each.

**Iberis gibraltarica** (Hardy Candytuft). White blossoms faintly tinged with lilac in early Spring. 8 to 10 inches.

**Iberis sempervirens.** Tiny, little evergreen plant with fine leaves bearing countless clusters of dazzling white flowerlets in early Summer. 8 to 10 inches.

**Iris** (German). Too universally known and loved to need description. White, lavender, purple, orchid, wine colored, a yellow and brown variety, and Madame Chereau.

**Iris** (Japanese). Blue, purple, and white varieties.

**Iris** (Siberian). Perry's Blue and White Snow Queen.

**Iris cristata.** Tiny native species with miniature lavender blooms in early Spring. 4 to 6 inches.

**Iris pumila.** Early flowering variety in purple, yellow and white. 10 to 12 inches.
Lathyrus latifolius (Everlasting Sweet Pea). A Perrenial Pea used as a vine for covering low walls or fences. Pink and white varieties. 3 to 4 feet.

Lavendula vera (Sweet Lavender). The fragrant flower of romance and bygone ages. The Summer blossoms should be picked and dried. 12 to 14 inches.

Lilium tigrinum (Tiger Lily). Old fashioned orange Lily with curled petals and many black freckles. Very decorative for Midsummer. 3 to 4 feet. Bulbs 40c each.

Linaria cynbalaria (Kenilworth Ivy). Tiny leaves and small lavender flowers with attractive vining habit. Used for hanging baskets, window boxes and Rockery.

Linum perenne (Blue Flax). A feathery, fragile looking plant with fascinating habits of growth and endurance. Bears clear blue flowers all Summer. 12 to 18 inches.

Linum flavum. A pretty light yellow variety of the above.

Lunaria (Honesty). A biennial grown more for its artistic, silvery seed pods than for its merit as a Garden flower.

Lupinus (Lupine). Tall, stately spires arising from clumps of oddly, artistically shaped leaves. Early Summer. Lavender, pink and white.

Lychnis alpina. A tiny, pink gem for the Spring Rock Garden, with fine grass-like foliage. 4 to 5 inches.

Lychnis chalcedonica (Maltese Cross). Clusters of bright scarlet flowers from the Old Fashioned Garden. June and July. 2 feet.

Lythrum roseum (Loosestrife). Handsome, bushy plants with many spikes of deep pink flowers from July until frost. 2 to 3 feet.

Mertensia virginica (Virginia Cowslip). The very early, exquisite, blue bells of our riversides. Quite hardy in our Spring Gardens and very much needed on account of its perfect blue color and fairy-like habits. 18 inches high.

Monarda didyma (Bee Balm or Bergamot). Crimson, Old Fashioned Garden plant with fragrant leaves. 3 to 4 feet, blooming in Midsummer. Very decorative in masses.

Myosotis semperflorens (Forget-Me-Not). A lovely, clear blue variety, blossoming from Spring until Fall. 8 to 10 inches.

Nepeta mussini (Cat Mint). A quickly spreading, dainty, low plant with clouds of misty lavender flowers all Spring and Summer. For Borders, Rockery, and Wall Gardens. 8 to 10 inches high.

Oenothera lamarckiana. Flowers 3 to 4 inches in diameter. Yellow. An interesting plant which should be more generally grown. Summer. 3 feet.

Pachysandra terminalis. A low, creeping evergreen with glossy leaves. Used as a ground cover around foundation planting or among evergreen trees. Will grow in dense shade. 6 to 8 inches.

Phlox Beacon. Cherry red. Tall variety.

Phlox Elizabeth Campbell. One of the stately and indispensable Midsummer glories. Light salmon in color. About 3 feet.

Phlox Firebrand. Scarlet. Medium height.

Phlox Jules Sandeau. Rather dwarf with many large, deep pink flowers. 18 to 24 inches.

Phlox Louise Abbema. Very dwarf. Large, pure white flowers.

Phlox Miss Lingard. An early white with dark, shiny leaves. Tall.


Phlox Rheinlander. Another good pink with deep pink eye. 2 to 3 feet.

Phlox Rynstrom. Rose pink. Medium height.


Phlox Wanadis. Large clusters of violet flowers with purple eye. Medium.

Phlox divaricata (Canadensis). Lovely light blue blossoms in May to bloom with the tulips. A low plant 6 to 8 inches.

Phlox subulata (Ground or Moss Pink). A tiny, creeping phlox twining into a pink or white mat for Spring, and retaining fresh, bright foliage all Summer. 4 to 6 inches.

Physostegia virginica (False Dragon Head). Rose-pink spikes appearing in great profusion throughout Summer. One of the husky sisterhood, needing elbow room. 3 to 4 feet.

Platycodon grandiflorum (Balloon Flower). June and July bells on stiff stalks, in white or lavender. 2 to 3 feet.

Platycodon mariesi. A dwarf variety with large purple bells in August. About 10 inches high.

Plumbago larpentae (Leadwort). A most exquisite and valuable little plant quite covered in late Summer and Fall with true blue blossoms. 10 to 12 inches.
Polemonium album (Jacob's Ladder). A plant of tidy and upright growth, carrying quantities of white bells on spikes in early Summer. 18 to 24 inches.

Polemonium coeruleum. Similar to the above with lavender or purple bells.

Polemonium reptans (Greek Valerian). Heavy clusters of delicate looking bells of pale blue to bloom with the tulips. The extremely attractive foliage lasts all Summer. 10 to 12 inches.

Potentilla formosa (Cinquefoil). Kather bushy plant, bearing single flowers of charming rosy-pink throughout Summer. 12 inches.

Primula veris (English Primrose). One of the very earliest and most entrancing Spring visitors. Yellow and fragrant. About 6 inches.

Pyrethrum (Painted Daisy). Tall, graceful daisies of various shades of pink for the early Summer Garden. About 2 feet.

Pyrethrum. Double flowering form of the above. Color ranging from pale pink to dark red.

Pyrethrum uliginosum (Giant Daisy). Small bush in form, literally covered with fine white daisies. Most valuable for Fall Gardens. 3 to 4 feet.

Salvia azurea (Blue Sage). Sky-blue blossoms on many slender, swaying stems suggest coolness and peace for the August Garden. 3 to 4 feet.

Saponaria ocymoides (Soapwort). Sheets of tiny, pink flowers on creeping stems in early Summer. 6 to 8 inches.

Saxifraga cordifolia (Rockfoil). A plant of exquisite foliage, and most valuable for Rock Garden or Border on account of its early pink flowers. About 12 inches. 50c each.

Scabiosa caucasia (Blue Bonnet). Daintily formed flowers of unusual merit borne on erect stems. Lavender and white. Midsummer. 18 to 24 inches.

Scabiosa japonica (Pin Cushion Flower). A lavender-blue, long stemmed Midsummer flower. 18 to 24 inches.

Sedum acre (Stonecrop or Golden Moss). A tiny, creeping Sedum with small yellow flowers in early Summer. For Rockery, Paths and Stone Walls. 2 to 3 inches.

Sedum album. A white, little creeper for Spring Blooming, and a green mat for Summer. 2 to 3 inches.

Sedum maximowiczii. A heavy growing Sedum with small orange flowers which rapidly cover ground or rocks.

Sedum spectabile. An erect growing variety of Sedum with flat heads of clear pink in August and September. About 12 inches high.


Sidalcea Rose Queen. Rosy-pink flowers on erect stems in Midsummer. 2 to 3 feet.

Silene shafta (Autumn Catchfly). Little Rock plant with masses of bright pink flowers in early Fall. About 6 inches.

Staticia latifolia (Sea Lavender). Tiny, lavender flowers on sprays for Midsummer. 2 feet high.


Stokesia cyanea (Cornflower Aster). A lovely all Summer flower resembling a large Cornflower. Blue and white. 2 to 3 feet.

Thalictrum aquilegifolium (Meadow Rue). Masses of pure white flowers with graceful foliage similar to that of the Columbine. 3 to 4 feet.

Thalictrum adiantifolium. Yellow flowers. Foliage resembling that of the large Maiden Hair Fern. 3 to 4 feet.

Thalictrum dipterocarpum. Exquisite sprays of soft lavender blooms on tall fern-like foliage. 3 to 4 feet in early Summer.

Thermopsis caroliana. A handsome, tall perennial for the back of the Border. Yellow spikes of bloom in June and July. 3 to 4 feet.

Thymus serpyllum (Creeping Thyme). Dark green foliage in mats spreading rapidly. Tiny purple flowers in early Spring.

Thymus vulgaris (Common Thyme). Fragrant foliage. Tiny, pale lavender flowers in June and July. 12 to 18 inches.

Tunica saxifraga (Saxifrage Pink). Minute grass-like foliage covered with tiny, pale pink flowers throughout Summer. Especially adapted to the Rock Garden. About 6 inches.

Valeriana officinalis (Hardy Garden Heliotrope). Light, feathery heads of minute, pinkish flowerlets on tall slender stalks. Valuable chiefly for its fragrance and Old Garden associations. May and June. 3 to 4 feet.

Veronica amethystina (Speedwell). Forms low bushes of nearly clear blue flowers in May and June. About 12 inches.

Veronica Incana. Grey foliage with lavender-like spikes in Midsummer. 12 inches.

Veronica longifolia. Covered with innumerable slender, lavender spires throughout the Garden season. 2 to 3 feet.

Veronica repens. Tiny, evergreen creeper, bearing wee white flowers during May.

Veronica rosea. The most appealing and exquisite of the pink perennials. Soft rose, little spires continue throughout June and July. 18 inches.

Veronica rupestris. A low, creeping variety with little, blue flowers in Spring. About 4 inches high.

Vinca minor (Periwinkle or Blue Myrtle). A shiny, dark green leaf with a purple flower. A trailing, little evergreen for ground cover in shady spots.

Viola (Tufted Pansies). Comparatively new comers to our Gardens. Much like Pansies in appearance. They blossom throughout the Garden's whole season. White, lavender, black, yellow, primrose. 20c each; $2.00 per dozen.

Desirable Shrubs and Vines

Barberis thunbergii (Japanese Barberry). The prettiest of hedge plants, with bright red berries to brighten the dull winter days. 15 to 18 inch plants 35 cents each; $25.00 per 100.

Buddleia (Butterfly Bush). Sprays of soft lavender through Summer and early Fall makes this shrub desirable for Gardens. Grows 6 to 8 feet high. 35c to $1.00 each.

Spirea Anthony Waterer. A pretty, low shrub for small hedges, or individual plants with bright pink blossoms in the Summer. 50 cents each.

Clematis paniculata. Sweet smelling, white, star-like flowers in countless numbers cover the pretty vine in August and September. 50 cents each.

Lonicera halliana (Hall's Honeysuckle). The evergreen variety with deliciously fragrant white and yellow flowers blossoming off and on through Summer and Fall. 35 cents each.

English Ivy. Pot grown plants of this valuable evergreen for Rockery and Walls. 35 cents each.

NOTE:—Upon request shrubs and trees of any desired variety or size will be obtained at the regular catalogue prices from reliable and well known nurseries. All stock personally selected.
Gladioli

America. Beautiful soft flesh-pink. A fine variety for bedding or cutting. 6c each; 60c per dozen.

Halley. Delicate salmon-pink with open flowers. 7c each; 75c per dozen.

Peace. Pure white flowers of great size, the lower petals touched with carmine. 10c each; $1.00 per dozen.

Niagara. Delicate yellow-cream, marked with rosy-carmine in throat. 10c each; $1.00 per dozen.

Schwaben. Very large blooms of light yellow. 10c each; $1.00 per dozen.

Gladioli Primulinus Hybrids

The following are desirable Gladioli for growing in the Border with Belladonna Delphiniums:

Desert Sunrise. Pale lemon yellow suffused with burned orange. Bulbs, 5c each; 50c per dozen.

Maculata. Deep yellow with crimson blotches. Bulbs, 4c each; 40c per dozen.

Sunset Glow. Strawberry pink with yellow throat carmine striped. Bulbs, 5c each; 50c per dozen.

Salmon Beauty. Very large. Deep salmon with saffron and yellow throat. 5c each; 50c per dozen.

Vernon G. Childs. Large. Light orange yellow tipped strawberry pink with pale lemon yellow throat. 7c each; 75c per dozen. Assorted yellows, pinkish yellows, with varieties listed above. Bulbs, 40c per dozen.
Garden Planning

A DEEP rooted love for Gardens, and an understanding of the little Green People who live in them, has been responsible for the establishment of SPRINGTIME GARDENS. To bring some slight conception of the glories and possibilities of this comparatively unexplored Art is their aim, and to give out the joy and contentment which comes to those who understandingly take the Flower World to their hearts. Gardening is for all. A universal gift. Whether it be expressed by the pink geranium in an attic window or by the fair and gracious sweeps of coloring of the well cared for American estate, the vision is there and the ideal is the same—the vision of expressed beauty, and the love of green, growing things.

SPRINGTIME GARDENS make a specialty of planning and directing the making of Gardens, and whether the Garden be one small bed, or the arranging of many acres, the same interest and care are shown to each and every one. Prices of plans and blue-prints, or personal visit to your Garden to advise you, will be furnished by mail if requested. Also references, if desired. SPRINGTIME GARDENS are always glad to see friends and visitors, but Saturday is the best day for finding the writer home.

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