Brookfield Farm Seedling Sale Variety Information Sheet

KEY: B = Good for Borders, C = Good for Containers, D = Drying flower, DT = Drought Tolerant, E = Edible Flower, N = Native Species, P = Attracts Pollinators, S = Tolerates Shade, X = Cutting Flower

VEGETABLES

Alliums: Space plants 6 inches apart in rows 1 foot apart. Keep plants well watered and weed-free for best results.

• **Scallions, White Spear** Also known as bunching onions, this vegetable is incredibly easy to grow and can be harvested slowly for an extended harvest. **4 packs.**

<u>Beans:</u> Can be planted 6 inches apart in rows 2 feet apart. Plant after the danger of frost in well-drained soil. Avoid poor germination rates in the spring by transplanting. **4 packs.**

- Bush Beans, Maxibel Long and elegant green bean. This variety is meant to be picked while slender.
- **Pole Beans, Kentucky Blue** Beautiful long green beans. Pods can grow to 7 inches long, but are delicious at all lengths. Like any pole bean, these benefit from a trellis or some other form of support.

Beets: 3 plants per cell. Beet transplants are great for early beets, plant 1 foot apart. 4 packs

- Gold Orange colored roots that don't stain everything red. Lovely sweet flavor is milder than red beets.
- **Red** Early wonder variety, best early beet variety there is.

<u>Celery</u>: Flavorful and juicy. Much stronger flavor than store bought. Plant 6-8" apart in rows. Can harvest by cutting outer stalks and leaving inner stalks for future harvest

<u>Celeriac</u>: Storage crop with a large, round solid root. Celery flavor that makes a great addition to stews. Harvest when root ball is 3-5" in diameter.

<u>Cole Crops:</u> Transplant outdoors in the spring after danger of hard frost. Plant in fertile soil with full sun. Keep adequately watered throughout growth for best results. Plant promptly to avoid stunted growth. Space 18 inches apart in rows 2 feet apart. **4 packs**

- **Brussels sprouts, Dagan** This crop takes a long time to mature, 100 days on average, but is well worth the wait! Brussels sprouts stalks need to be topped when ideal height is reached in order for the sprouts to form.
- Kale One of our favorite vegetables! We've given you a mixture of varieties here including curly green, curly red, and Lacinato, also known as Tuscano or Dinosaur kale. This mix will look excellent in your garden and on your dinner table.
- Collards, Flash Mild, sweet flavor, harvest outer leaves, grows back rapidly and great for many harvests.

Corn (Sweet): Plant 1 ft apart in rows 36" apart. Blocks of 4 rows best for good pollination. 4 packs

- **Illusion** Best early white corn. Exceptional flavor.
- **Popcorn** Keep on the plant until dry with hard kernels in the fall. After harvest, store somewhere they can continue to dry.

<u>Cucumbers:</u> Cucurbits like full sun and grow best in well-drained, fertile soil. Transplant after all danger of frost has passed. To plant, gently remove the plant from its pot being careful not to disturb the roots. Cucurbit transplants are especially sensitive to any root ball disturbance. Cucumbers can be planted 1 foot apart in rows that are 5-6 feet apart. **3" pots**

- **Diva** An especially sweet, seedless variety. Harvest fruit when it reaches 5-7 inches. Grow on mounds or trellis your vines along a fence to save space.
- Marketmore Your classic slicing cucumber. Grow on mounds or trellis your vines along a fence to save space.
- Max Pack is an excellent pickling cucumber. Not a pickle lover? Don't worry! These cucumbers are delicious fresh and make a great snack! Grow on mounds or trellis your vines along a fence to save space.
- **Spacemaster 80 (C)** This cucumber is great for containers and small gardens! Fruit is dark green and should be picked before it exceeds 2 inches in diameter and/or 7-8 inches in length. Pick consistently to promote fruit set all season long. Trellising can improve the yield and the quality of fruit.
- Lemon Small, round, pale yellow cucumbers that are sweet and flavorful, and less bitter than other cukes. Great fresh or pickled.
- Mexican Sour Gherkin (C) Unique specialty cucumber with 1 inch long fruits that look like mini watermelons. Taste like cucumbers with tangy citrus overtones. Great fresh or pickled.

Eggplant: Transplant outdoors late-May through mid-June when night temperatures are consistently above 50F. Space plants 1.5 to 2 feet apart in fertile soil amended with compost and fertilizer. Full sun. Water regularly when fruiting to prevent blossom drop. **3" pots**

- **Asian Delight** This is an Asian variety that produces long, thin, bright purple fruit. These eggplant are an excellent addition to any stir fry.
- **Nigral** Your classic Italian eggplant. Glossy, with dark-purple to black skin.
- Annina A purple and white variegated Italian variety that is elegant in appearance and delicious in flavor.

Fennel: Orazio produces large bulbs with a crisp and flavorful anise taste. Late summer or early fall harvest.

Greens: Great early crop. 4 packs

- Spinach Plant 4-6"apart. Harvest outer leaves for continued harvest. Our favorite spring varieties.
- Swiss Chard, Bright Lights A rainbow of colors. Plant 1' apart.

<u>Lettuce</u>: This crop can be planted throughout the growing season when temperatures remain above freezing. While it is often grown in all weather, it does best when temperatures remain cool, (60-65F). Transplant in well-drained soil in full sun 6-12 inches apart in rows 12 inches apart. **4 packs**

- **Artisan Lettuce Mix** This lettuce mix makes great small heads or can be cut loose for a colorful and elegant salad mix. Tender, crisp leaves with a sweet flavor.
- **Head Lettuce Mix** A mix of some of our favorite red and green spring varieties! Keep plants about 12 inches apart and allow to grow into full-sized heads before cutting at the roots.

<u>Melons:</u> Cucurbits like full sun and grow best in well-drained, fertile soil. Transplant after all danger of frost has passed. To plant, gently remove the plant from its pot being careful not to disturb the roots. Cucurbit transplants are especially sensitive to any root ball disturbance. Melons should be planted 2 feet apart in rows that are 6 feet apart. Watermelons are ripe when the vine opposite the fruit stem dies back and the fruit makes a resonate "thunk" sound when tapped. **3" pots**

- **Melon, Athena** A great tasting cantaloupe! Beautiful vines will extend more than 4 feet in all directions. Fruit is ripe when it slips easily off the vine.
- **Melon, Crimson Sweet** Medium to large sized watermelon with red-colored flesh. These melons average 10-12 pounds. Beautiful vines will extend more than 4 feet in all directions.
- **Melon, Sugar Baby** A smaller, dark-green fruit with deep red flesh. Sweet fruit reaches 8-10lbs. Beautiful vines will extend more than 4 feet in all directions.
- **Melon, Sunshine** One of the sweetest! Medium sized striped watermelon with dazzling yellow-colored flesh. Sweet, seeded fruit averages 5-8 pounds. Beautiful vines will extend more than 4 feet in all directions.

Peppers: Transplant outdoors late-May through mid-June when night temperatures are consistently above 50F. Protect from late frosts. Space plants 1.5-2 feet apart in fertile soil amended with compost and fertilizer. Plant peppers in full sun deep enough to just cover the root ball. **3" pots**

- **Hot, Anaheim** Traditional mild, medium-sized chili pepper that grows to about 7 inches. Usually cooked while green, but can also be allowed to ripen to red.
- Hot, Cayenne High yielding with long 6 inch fruit. These peppers have a sweet and spicy flavor and are great for drying.
- **Hot, Ghost (Bhut Jolokia)** These small peppers harness a lot of heat! Bright golden yellow peppers produce well in our short growing season.
- Hot, Habanero This pepper produces a wrinkled, 2 inch orange fruit that is very hot. Common in Jamaican "jerk" sauces.
- **Hot, Jalapeno** Short bushy plants produce moderately spicy 4 to 5 inch chili peppers.
- **Hot, Poblano** These plants produce large fruited mildly hot peppers. These peppers are a great addition to green stews or in a classic "mole" sauce, and are used for the classic chili rellenos.
- Hot, Serrano Dark green fruits are traditionally eaten green but can also be used as chipotles if you let them ripen red.
- Padron Spanish heirloom, harvest when 1-1.5" long. 1 in 20 will be hot, the rest are mild.
- **Sweet Italian, Carmen** Long, horn-shaped fruit are harvested when fully red. Crisp and one of the sweetest! Our favorite sweet pepper.
- **Sweet Bell, Ace** Early and highly productive classic green to red bell pepper.
- Sweet Bell, Flavorburst Fruit starts out lime green ripening to golden yellow. Fruit are medium-sized and uniform in shape.
- Sweet Bell, Intruder Excellent producers, well adapted to New England. Can be harvested green or allowed to ripen to red.
- Sweet Bell, Purple Sweetie If you're looking to impress your neighbors, try growing these vibrantly colored purple peppers! They are unique and sweet in flavor. Pick as purple peppers or they will ripen in beautiful sunset hues, turning all the way to

- red if left on the plant long enough.
- Sweet Bell, Red Knight A classic red bell pepper that can be enjoyed at any point from green to red.
- Sweet Snacking, Lunchbox Pepper Mix Red, orange and yellow mini-sized peppers, very sweet and flavorful.

<u>Summer Squash:</u> Cucurbits like full sun and grow best in well-drained, fertile soil. Transplant after all danger of frost has passed. To plant, gently remove the plant from its pot being careful not to disturb the roots. Cucurbit transplants are especially sensitive to any root ball disturbance. Squashes should be planted 2 feet apart in rows that are 6 feet apart. **3"pots.**

- **Squash, Zephyr** This yellow squash variety has a unique light green patch at the blossom end. These vigorous, high yielding plants will keep you flush with delicious, tender squash for weeks!
- **Zucchini**, **Dunja** These plants provide a high yield of straight, dark green zucchini.

<u>Tomatoes:</u> Plant outdoors when night temperatures are steadily above 50F into nutrient rich soil amended with compost and fertilizer. Tomatoes should be planted so that 3 to 6 inches are underground; making the plant more stable. Space plants 1.5-2 feet apart in an area that receives full sun. Stakes or tomato cages should be used to keep plants supported. **3" pots**

- Slicer, Big Beef Large hybrid red beefsteak tomato with excellent flavor and early harvest.
- Slicer, Black Krim This heirloom Russian variety is notable for its striking, deep-brown to red fruit and its deep, smoky flavor.
- Slicer, Brandywine Pink or Yellow Large, flavorful, heirloom described as, "one of the best tasting tomatoes" by Johnny's Seeds
- Slicer, Chef's Choice Orange beefsteak tomato, very productive, low in acid with good flavor
- Slicer, Container's Choice Red Hybrid (C) This determinate variety is specifically bred to be grown in containers! High yielding plants produce red, 6-8 ounce round beefsteak tomatoes.
- Slicer, Striped German Heirloom red and yellow tomato with a complex fruity flavor.
- **Grape, Five Star** Grape tomatoes have the oval shape of plum tomatoes but the small size and sweetness of cherry tomatoes. This variety has perfectly sweet flavor, a firm and meaty texture, with few seeds. Plants produce bright red, crack-resistant tomatoes.
- Cherry, Sungold The best tasting cherry tomato there is. These plants are highly productive becoming flush with small golden fruit. It's hard to resist eating these right off the vine!
- Cherry, Tumbling Tom Red (C) This unique determinate cherry tomato has a "weeping" or vine-like habit, reaching up to 24 inches in length. This interesting shape makes a great fit for container growing! Each plant is only 6 inches wide, so plant a few together in one large pot.
- Plum, San Marzano This classic red paste tomato is perfect for cooking, with easy-to-peel fruit that cooks down quickly.
- **Plum, Speckled Roman** A striking red sauce tomato with electric yellow stripes. These elongated plum tomatoes make excellent paste and sauce or can be enjoyed fresh.
- **Tomatillo** This crop is a great friend of any salsa enthusiast. Easy to grow and high yielding. Plants produce large, round fruits surrounded by husks. You'll know they're ready when they break free from their husks.
- **Ground Cherries** These small golden berries grow inside papery husks like a tomatillo. With a sweet, tangy flavor they're great to enjoy raw, cooked in desserts or preserves, or even dried like raisins. They do not need to be trellised like other members of the tomato family. Harvest when fruit is golden and the husks open up.

<u>Winter Squash:</u> Plant winter squash in well-drained, fertile soil that receives full sun after all risk of frost. A member of the cucurbit family, these seedlings are sensitive and may not thrive if their roots are damaged during planting. Gently remove seedling from its pot and plant 18-24 inches apart. Allow 3 to 4 feet on both sides for vine growth. Winter squash is ready to harvest once stems and skin begin to harden. Clip stems about an inch from the fruit and allow to dry for 5-7 days. For best storage results, protect fruit from hard frost and avoid damaging or puncturing the skin. For long term storage, squash likes to be held at 55 degrees. **3" pots**

- Acorn Flavorful storage squash, will store well and great roasted.
- **Butternut** Your classic fall favorite features straight necks and small seed cavities. Will store well for up to three months or more. Butternut requires a curing time of several weeks so the fruit can sweeten.
- **Delicata** Our favorite winter squash. Sweet and quick cooking. Small striped fruit are great stuffed or roasted. Best yet, their delicate skins are edible! You can enjoy this squash right after harvest.
- **Pie Pumpkin** Classic New England pie pumpkins are the perfect edition to many fall dishes or desserts. Typically 4 to 6 pounds. Pie pumpkins require a curing time of several weeks before eating so the fruit can sweeten.
- Spaghetti classic pasta alternative with a noodle-like consistency. Slightly sweet and nutty. Pale yellow when mature.

HERBS

Herbs are a relatively easy crop to grow and make a great addition to almost any meal. For individual plant spacing and growth requirements, please refer to the descriptions below. **3" pots**

Annual Herbs

<u>Anise Hysop</u> (**D**): Edible flowers great fresh or dried. Sweet, licorice-mint flavor. Abundant blooms are great for attracting bees and other pollinators. Grow 24-36" in full sun.

Basil: Everyone's favorite herb, basil is popular in many different cuisine. Basil can be grown in a pot or in the ground. Plant 6-8 inches apart in full sun and protect from temperatures below 45F in the early spring. Our basil varieties come with many different tastes and appearances.

- **Prospera** A traditional Italian basil with good downy mildew resistance. Downy mildew is a new disease in New England and can be very destructive.
- Everleaf A traditional Italian green basil that is great for container growing and leaf harvest as opposed to bunching. Slower to bolt than other varieties by up to 8 weeks.
- **Red Rubin** Large, dark purple leaves with great flavor.
- Thai Authentic Thai basil with spicy, anise-clove flavor. Small green leaves with purple flowers and stems.

<u>Cilantro and Dill:</u> These herbs don't transplant well, so we recommend using these herbs straight from the pot and replenishing your supply as needed with new plants. They grow best in full sun with consistent moisture.

Cumin: foliage is similar to dill. Seeds are good in Mexican and Indian dishes. Grow 6-12" in sun

<u>Parsley:</u> Transplant into a garden or container with well-drained soil in full sun. Plant about 1 foot apart. For continuous harvest, clip outer leaves first, allowing the inner leaves to continue growing.

- Parsley, Italian Flat Leaf is a classic Italian parsley variety with huge green leaves and great flavor.
- Parsley, Curly is a "refined, curly leaf variety" with an upright growing habit that makes for easy harvest.

Stevia (C, D): Herbal alternative to sugar with sweet leaves. Can be used fresh, dried, and powdered. Great as a container or houseplant. Sun and partial shade. 18-30"

<u>Summer Savory, Compact (C):</u> Delicate, earthy flavor reminiscent of thyme and marjoram, but with mint notes. Upright and tidy habit. Great in a container. Full sun. Can be dried.

<u>Tulsi Holy Basil</u>: compact plants grow 12-18" Spicy and sweet aroma with hints of chocolate and coffee that is for tea, culinary and medicinal use. Purple flowers. Sun.

Perennial Herbs

<u>Chives</u> are in the onion family, and their upright green shoots are perfect for clipping to add to almost any dish. Plant 2-8 inches apart in full sun or partial shade.

Garlic chives have a mild garlic flavor in flat leaves. The flowers are edible and also have a mild garlic taste.

<u>Catnip</u> vigorous, high-yielding plants. Flowers are very attractive to bees. Full sun.

<u>Lavender, Ellagance</u> this variety is known for producing deep purple leaves in its first year. Beautiful as fresh cut flowers and great for drying. Bushy, well-branched plants grow to between 12 and 18" in height and should be spaced 1-1.5 ft apart. Full sun.

Lemongrass Tender perennial. Delicious addition to soups, curries, teas.

<u>Peppermint</u> is a prolific perennial. Be cautious if planting in a garden as it tends to crawl and take over space. Mint flowers will attract bees, butterflies and other beneficial insects. Plant 12-18 inches apart in sun or partial shade. Grow in containers to avoid large spread. Great as tea and aids digestion. Strong spicy mint.

Spearmint is a prolific perennial like peppermint. Milder mint that is great for tea and in cooking.

<u>Oregano</u> is a pretty green herb often used in Italian and Greek dishes. Be cautious if planting in a garden as it tends to crawl and take over space. Plant 12 inches apart in full sun or partial shade.

Rosemary (C) is a pine-scented herb that is native to the Mediterranean. It thrives in gardens or as a potted plant. Plant 12-25 inches apart in full sun. You can cut small sprigs off the plant as needed.

<u>Sage</u> and <u>Thyme</u> are common perennial herbs. Transplant into well-drained soil in a garden or container. Space plants 8-12 inches apart. Sun or partial shade.

Sweet Marjoram Sweeter and more balsam-like than oregano. Plant 6 to 8 inches apart in full sun.

French Tarragon pale green leaves, with a peppery, anise-like flavor with a hint of vanilla. Space plants 12 to 18 inches apart in full sun to partial shade.

FLOWERS

The perfect way to brighten up any outdoor space! We offer varieties for bedding, containers, and cutting. Refer to individual variety descriptions for planting information. **3" pots**

Annuals

Ageratum, Timeless Mix (X) Long lasting flower clusters add texture to bouquets. Mix in lovely shades of red, pink, blue and white. Attracts bees and butterflies. 24 to 30 inches.

Alyssum, Aphrodite Mix (B, C) Compact, mounding growth habit (4-10 inches tall) with prolific flower clusters makes for a great container or border plant. Shades of red, apricot, purple, pink, white and lemon. Long blooming flowers. Plant in full sun, 18-24 inches apart.

Bachelor's Button (Centaurea), **Blue Boy (E, P, X)** Heirloom variety, also known as cornflowers. Deep blue color with abundant 1-1.5" blooms. Edible petals can be used to decorate deserts and brighten up salads. Flavor is mildly floral. Plants grow 30-38" tall. Sun

Begonia (C, DT) A spectacular hanging basket or container plant with hundreds of blooms. No deadheading required. Tolerates many conditions including rain, heat and drought. 12-16" tall with cascading habit.

- Santa Barbara has huge white blooms. Blooms from late spring to frost.
- Santa Cruz Sunset has fiery bright red-orange bell shaped flowers over the entire plant.

Borage (E, P) Edible flower with a mild cucumber flavor. Large plants with many small mostly blue flowers. Attracts bees and butterflies. Plant 12 inches apart. Height of 18 to 30 inches. Will grow in poor soils.

Calendula, Flashback Mix (C,E,P,X) Spectacular mix of colors with bicolor petals. Lovely golds, oranges, yellows and burgundies. Edible petals are tangy and slightly bitter. Great for cutting. Sun or partial shade.

Campanula, Champion Lavender (X) Bellflower. Uniform, productive cut flower with unique pale lavender bells and sturdy stems. Sun, but tolerates partial shade. Plants are 30 to 40 inches tall.

Carthamus, Grenade Orange (D, X) Safflower, can be used fresh or dried in bouquets. Tufts of orange on globular flower beds on nearly thornless stems. Plant in sun. Grow 18-24" tall.

Celosia (D, X) Exceptional cut flower, fresh or dried. Plant 6-12" apart in full sun.

- Chief Mix (C) sturdy dense, deeply folded domes of blooms. Gold, rose, persimmon and red shades. Also knowns as cockscomb. Grows 30-40 inches tall.
- **Pampas Plume** has 2-6" long plumes in a mix of scarlet, orange, bright yellow, pink and cream. Great bouquet filler with feathery plumes on multi-branching plants with many stems.

China Asters (X) are summer asters and an easy to grow annual. Plant 6-12" apart in full sun.

- **Tower Mix** Peony-type blooms. Colors include yellow, white, red, violet, silver, blue, cherry rose, pink. Blooms are 2-3" wide with 13 to 20 stems per plant.
- Valkyrie Mix Needle or quilled-type blooms on long sturdy stems. Large and brightly colored 3-5 inch blooms in white, light yellow, pink, crimson, rose and purples.

Coleus, Multicolor Rainbow Mix (B, S) Grown for its brilliant glowing foliage, rather than flowers, and one of the few varieties that grows in full shade or partial sun. Medium sized leaves in a broad rainbow of colors including reds, yellows, salmons and greens. Grows 12 to 15 inches tall. Plant 10 to 14 inches apart.

Cosmos (X) Plant 9-12 inches apart in full sun. Deadhead for blooms all summer long.

- **Double Click Bicolor Violet** Bicolor blooms, from eggplant to lavender. 2-3" flowers on strong stems for cutting. Grows 42-46 inches.
- Sensation Mix These cheerful flowers grow tall, reaching 48-54 inches. This mix contains white, pink, and red flowers and

is great as cut flowers.

Craspedia, Sun Ball (D, X) Unique, long-lasting textural accent in bouquets, both fresh and dried. Easy to harvest, 1" golden globes on a long, stiff stems. Plant in full sun. Grows 24-30" tall.

Dahlias (E, X) Plant 9-12" apart in full sun. Flowers are edible and vary in flavor. To save tubers for the following spring, cut plants back to 2-4 inches about the ground and dig them out, shaking off the excess dirt. Allow tubers to cure for 1-3 days somewhere warm out of the sun, then store in peat or vermiculite in a box or bag that allows for air flow.

- **Figaro Mix** Long bloom season, produces blossoms in shades of coral-red, deep crimson, yellow and yellow-orange. Plants grow 14 to 18 inches tall.
- Stargazer Mix This eye-catching mix produces large semi-double blossoms in solid and bicolor tones, including scarlet-white, yellow-reds, apricots and oranges. Plants grow 12 to 16 inches tall.

Dichondra, Silver Falls (C, DT) Small, silvery-green, rounded leaves on a vining plant habit make this a great addition to a container or a hanging basket. Plants can grow up to 4 feet long. Also can be used as a low growing ground cover in well drained soils.

Dusty Miller, Silverdust (C, D, X) Popular cut-flower filler for bouquets. Silvery foliage with finely cut large, 3-7" long, velvety leaves. Full sun. Remove flowers to encourage foliage growth.

Foxglove (C, X) Beautiful bell blooms on a sturdy stem. Grow in sun or partial shade, 12 inches apart. Does well in containers as well. Harvest when lower 1/3 of flowers have opened. Deadhead for additional blooms.

- Camelot Mix Combination of cream, lavender, rose and white flowers, great for bouquets and gardens.
- **Dalmatian Peach** Creamy peach/pale pink bells that form along one side of the stem.

Gazania, New Day Hybrid (B, C, DT) Compact 8-10" tall plants are great in containers or as a border. Large flowers in solids, stripes and bicolors of bronze, orange, pink, yellow, rose and white. Drought tolerant.

Geranium (C) Great in beds and borders, and in containers. Deadhead to encourage more blooms.

- **Big Red** Classic huge red geranium, with flowerheads up to 5 to 6 inches across. Plants grow 14 to 16 inches and should be spaced 12 to 15 inches apart.
- Quantum Mix star-shaped flowers, great heat tolerance. Mix of pink, red and salmon. Grow 12-16" tall.

Gomphrena (C, D, X) Also known as globe amaranth. Productive 1 ½ inch blooms for fresh and dried arrangements. Keeps color when dried. Grows well in containers. Reaches 18-28" high in full sun.

- Formula Mix Blooms of purple, pink and white.
- Strawberry Fields Very productive, brilliant red flowers, Holds color when dried.

Hibiscus, Mahogany Splendor (DT, X) Deep mahogany-red foliage with maple-leaf appearance for cutting and gardens. Great in late summer and fall bouquets. Vigorous, drought and heat tolerant plants. Grow in full sun, 48 to 70" tall. Space out 24-36".

Impatiens (C) Small, 10-12 inch plants are perfect for both containers and landscaping. Grow in partial sun.

- Accent Premium White Early to flower, with 2" blooms
- Accent Violet
- Accent Premium Red

Larkspur, Formula Mix (D, P, X) Tall spires of dense double blooms. Excellent for cut flowers, mix of blues, pinks, lilac, rose and white. Attracts hummingbirds. Grows 36-48" in sun. All parts of this plant are poisonous.

Lobelia (B, C) Small, delicate flowers in a compact 5" growth habit that is great for edges and in pots. Grow in partial sun

- Riviera Midnight Blue Trailing blossoms of deep blue flowers on bronze foliage.
- Riviera Sky Blue Pale blue flowers on green foliage.

Marigold (B, C, P) Grow in full sun. Pinch to encourage branching and deadhead to increase blooms. Great to grow in containers.

- Alumia Vanilla Cream Unique light yellow cream shade unusual for a French marigold. Grows 10-12"
- **Durango Outback Mix (E)** Shorter plants grow to about 1 foot. Flowers come in a mix of yellow, orange and red and variegated.
- Lemon Gem (E, X) Hundreds of bite-sized citrus-scented yellow flowers with mounds of lacy foliage. Flower petals are citrusy, spicy and slightly bitter. Long blooming and great in beds, borders and containers. Attracts beneficial insects.
- Proud Mari Mix Large double blooms are fully supported by extra thick stems in this dwarf marigold. Colors range from

yellow to orange to gold. Plants are compact and grow to only 10-12 inches tall.

• Queen Sophia (E) Large 2.5-3 inch blooms of dark orange rimmed in gold. Flowers are edible.

Nasturtium (B, C, E) Edible beautiful flowers and peppery-flavored foliage. Great as garnishes and in salads. Also known as Indian cress. Plant 8 to 12 inches apart in sun or partial shade. Compact and mounded habit, great in containers or on edges.

- Alaska Mix Green and white variegated foliage and brilliant 2" flowers in yellow, crimson, orange, salmon and cherry.
- Empress of India Heirloom, scarlet flowers with dark blue-green foliage.
- Jewel Mix Bright 2" blooms with a mix of yellow, orange, and red single and double blooms and light green foliage.

Osteospermum, Asti Mix (C, DT) African daisy-like 2" blooms with azure centers and shades of purple, white, pink and a purple bicolor. Great heat and drought tolerance. Grow 18-20" tall. Plant in full sun.

Salvia (B, C, D, X) Dense 5-8" spikes bloom summer to frost. Plants grow 18-24" tall. Tolerates heat, humidity and poor soils. Great harvested fresh or to dry. Plant in sun and partial shade.

- Flare bold, fluorescent red spikes. Especially showy on borders.
- Victoria Blue has deep blue spikes, also known as mealy blue sage

Scabiosa, Formula Mix (P, X) produces large 2" pincushion flowers in a mixture of black, blue, pinks, merlots and white. Plant in sun. Grows 24-36" tall.

Snapdragon Florets on a spike make a beautiful cut flower. Grow in sun or partial shade.

- Butterfly Mix (E, X) Unique double-petal/azalea type mix. Full fluffy blooms in bronze, white, ivory, pink, red, rose and yellow
- Cascading Lantern Mix (C) Hanging snapdragon is ideal for baskets and containers. Colorful blooms in pink, orange, scarlet, violet, yellow and white. Height of 6" with a cascading spread. Pleasant, tropical fruit fragrance.
- **Dwarf Twinny Mix (B, C)** These unusual shorter snaps produce frilly double blooms about 1½ in. in size. Colors include pink, peach, yellow and light orange. Plants grow to about 10-12 in. Great for containers or as bedding plants.
- Rocket Mix (E, X) Edible flowers in rose shades, cherry, pink, orchid, red, yellows and white. Flavor is floral and slightly bitter. Plants grow 24-36"

Statice (D, P, X) Beautiful flower clusters on strong stems are great cut flowers for fresh and dried bouquets. Plant in sun, 12" apart. Grows to 24-30" tall. Holds color well when dried. Yields multiple cuts throughout the season.

- Pastel Mix has soft pastel shades in pastel yellow, pastel blue, white, apricot, lavender and rose.
- Seeker Mix is a beautiful bright mix of yellow, white, blue, purple and rose shades.

Strawflower, Monstrosum Mix (D, DT, X) is a vigorous mix of papery 1.5-3" blooms, and can endure high heat and dry conditions. Flowers in shades of gold, orange, magenta, pink and rose. Plant in sun, 10-12" apart. Plants can grow 36-40" tall. Harvesting or deadheading will yield more blooms. Harvest when the outer 2-3 layers of petals have unfolded but the flower is not fully open.

Sunflowers (X) Stunning branching stem varieties to brighten up your garden space. Grow in full sun. Some varieties can grow up to 72 inches tall, so be careful not to shade out other crops in your garden. Plant 12 to 24 inches apart.

- Big Smile (C, P) are bright yellow with a black center. Smaller variety grows 10-15" in containers or up to 24" in the garden.
- Chocolate (P) Tall variety with rich brown flowers 4-6" across. Great in bouquets, plants grow 48-60" Great for bees.
- Gold Rush is an early and prolific pollenless classic sunflower. Grows 48-72" tall.
- **Gummy Bear (C)** is a light yellow, fully double, fluffy bloomed shorter branching sunflower. Great in beds or container plantings. Grows 36-48" tall.
- Soraya is one of the best branching sunflowers for cuttings. Large 4-6" classic blooms. Plants grow 50-70"
- Starburst early blooming, semidouble flowers that are golden yellow around a green center, 4-6" blooms, Plants grow to 72"
- Strawberry Blonde (E) Ruby red, burgundy, sometimes pink petals with lemony tips and dark centers, pollenless. 60-72" tall
- Florenza (P) Great cut flowers, unique yellow and reddish brown blooms with a dark center. Grow 45-55" tall.

Tithonia (P, X) Mexican sunflower. Most blooms are orange, with some red and yellow. Late season cut flower that attracts beneficial insects. Bright 3 ½" flowers. Grow in full sun, reaches 60 to 72" tall.

Zinnia (**P**, **X**) This crop will hold up well in summer heat and rain. Zinnias bloom later in the summer when many other flowers have finished, making them a great addition for any garden! Plant in full sun.

• **Benary's Giant** is a premium mixture of colorful dahlia-like flowers that yield long, sturdy stems. Yield multiple cuts throughout the season. 40-50" in height.

- Cactus Flowered Mix large 3-6" blooms with quilled petals. Mix of orange, pink, red, yellow, peach and white. Plants grow 28-40" tall. Multiple cuts per season.
- Magellan Mix (B, C) Plants are short and bushy reaching only 12-14 inches high, making this variety a great choice for borders, beds, or containers. This mix produces large double-bloom flowers in a mix of reds and oranges.
- Peppermint Stick Mix charming mix of white, pale yellow, pink and orange double flowers with cherry streaks. Grow 28"
- **Persian Carpet** Heirloom variety with 2" fully double and semidouble bicolors in red, orange, pale yellow, gold, chocolate and cream. Grows 24-36" tall.
- **Profusion Red Yellow Bicolor (C)** long lasting bedding variety tolerates both cool and humid hot conditions, bold red and yellow blooms early season and apricot, salmon and dusty rose later season. 12-18" tall
- Queeny Formula Mix Sturdy plants with blooms in shades of rose, peach, orange and lime. Yields multiple cuts over the season. Grows 30 to 40" tall.
- Starlight Rose (C) Stunning 2.5inch white flowers with rose stripes. Hearty and easy to grow. Reach 12-14 inches high
- Swizzle Cherry and Ivory (C) Dwarf plants grow 10-12 inches, fully double flowers are bright cherry with an ivory tip
- **Zowie Yellow Flame** Semidouble 2-3.5" flowers with magenta centers and petals dipped in orange. Grows 24-36" tall.

Perennials

Asclepias, Butterfly Weed (N, P) Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds and is a larval host for monarch butterflies. Full sun. Blooms summer through first frost. Larval host for monarch butterflies.

- **Soulmate Pink Milkweed** Butterfly habitat with clusters of rose to mauve flowers. Also known as swamp milkweed. Native to North America.
- Swamp Milkweed Rose to mauve florets on sturdy stems. Native to North America.

Columbine, McKana Giants Mix (P, X) Heirloom variety, large flowers, wide color range in pinks, purples, white and mauve. Attracts hummingbirds and can be used in bouquets. Prefers partial shade. Grows 24 to 38 inches tall. Blooms in the second year.

Echinacea, Coneflower (DT, P, X) Pretty, moderately tall flowers are great for the garden and are known to attract beneficial insects. Food source for bees and other pollinators. Drought tolerant. Blooms summer through fall. Plant Echinacea 18-24 inches apart in sun.

- Green Twister Lovely combination of lime green petal tips with a soft pink center. Grows 24-36" tall.
- Paradiso Tall Mix New variety, first-year flowering with 3-4" blooms in magenta, cream, orange, yellow and white. 24-36" tall. Grows well in containers too.
- **Purpurea** The *purpurea* variety, also known as common purple coneflower, has pretty lilac petals with an orange-brown center and grows to 24-36 inches. Food source for bees. Easy to grow and vigorous.

Eryngium, Blue Glitter (D, P, X) Long-lasting, specialty cutting flower both fresh and dried. Produces attractive blooms with a metallic shine during the second year of growth and subsequent years. Hardy perennial, long study stems. Attracts bees, beneficial flies and wasps. Tolerates dry and sunny conditions.

Maximilian, Perennial Sunflower (N, P, X) Blooms from August to frost. Native wild flower that is great for back borders or bouquets. Attracts beneficial insects. Grows 60-90" tall with masses of 3" yellow-gold blooms. Sun.

Monarda (Bee Balm), Panorama Mix (E, P, X) Spiky flowers in shades of lavender, pinks, salmon and magenta are a great addition to any garden. Attracts butterflies, bees and hummingbirds. They grow between 36 and 44 inches tall, and should be panted 12-18 inches apart in sun or partial shade. Great for cut flowers. Edible petals are minty and spicy.

Poppy, Champagne Bubbles Mix (P, X) Iceland poppy. Cheerful mix of citrus colored, orange, pink, red, white and yellow 3-5" blooms. Productive plants that grow 15-20" in sun or partial shade.

Rudbeckia (C, DT, X) Also known as Black-Eyed Susan or gloriosa daisy. Tender perennial and may be better grown as an annual. Plant in full sun 12-18" apart. Heat and drought tolerant once established. Grow well in containers. Deadheading increases blooms during the summer.

- **Indian Summer** Commonly known as *Black-Eyed Susan*, produces gigantic golden flowers with a dark center 4 to 7 inches wide. Plants grow between 36 and 42 inches tall. Sturdy stems and branching for many blooms.
- Prairie Sun Unique bicolor dark and light yellow 4-6" blooms with a green center. Great cut flower. Grows 28-32" tall.
- Rudbeckia Triloba (N) Native US wildflower. Densely branched with profuse blooms of 1.5-2.5" bright yellow flowers with dark centers. Excellent cut flower and filler. Tolerates most conditions once established.
- Sahara Mix Compact (up to 22" tall) in stature, mix of copper, brown, pale yellow and soft rose. Flowers are 2-3 inches and

lovely for shorter bouquets. Full sun.

Scabiosa, **Fama Deep Blue (C, X)** First year flowering perennial. Produces all summer long. Grows 26-30" tall. Plant in sun/partial shade. Plants usually survive for about three years. Beautiful shades of blue elegant 2.5-3.5" blooms on long sturdy stems with a good vase life.

Yarrow, Flowerburst Red Shades (D, DT, P, X) is a long-lasting perennial in red, rose and lavender shades. Great as cut flowers with 2-4" flat topped flower heads, or in a perennial garden with their fern-like foliage. Plant in sun, but can tolerate partial shade. Grow 28-30" tall. Long vase life, good as a dried flower too.