# Cut Flower Garden

Each plant has a marker in it with a number that identifies it. Refer to this list for planting tips and information about each plant. Many pictures are not mine, they are from Johnny's Seeds, where I buy many of my seeds from.

#### 1. Lisianthus -



Lisianthus take about 6 months to bloom from seed, they are a lesson in patience! These plants might look small, but they are very hardy and will send up some flower stalks in June or July. They can be planted fairly close to other plants since they only need about 6" of space.

## 2. Godetia / Clarkia-



Godetia is a delicate looking flower that lasts a long time in the vase. The color I grew for you is actually lilac, a new color for me (hence why I don't have a picture of this lovely lilac shade). I have already pinched your godetia plants, so they will grow nice and bushy. This plant needs support of some kind, or else it will have bent stems. This plant gets large, so give it 12" space.

## 3. Chocolate Lace Flower / Dara -



Chocolate Lace Flower is a relative of the carrot family and produces lots of umbrel style flowers in shades of burgundy, white or pink. A note of caution! Some people (like myself), develop an allergic reaction if this plant is rubbed their skin and daylight seems to activate it. Take precautions and wear gloves and long sleeved shirt when harvesting. This plant can get very tall and needs about 9" space.

#### 4. Strawflower -



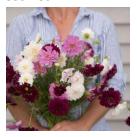
Strawflower can be used fresh or dried. Wait until the florets start to open before harvesting so that the stems don't wilt. This is a very carefree plant and gets to be about 3' tall and needs 9" space. I have already pinched most of these strawflower plants so that you will get more usable stems.

#### 5. **Zinnia** –



Zinnias are beloved for their bright, cheerful and uncomplicated flowers. Wait to harvest the flowers until the stems are rigid and the flower head doesn't flop when the stems are wiggled. Needs about 9" space.

#### 6. Cosmos -



Cosmos are easy to grow and produce lots of cheerful flowers. Each flower has a short vase life, but there are many of them and their foliage is lovely too. Harvest every flower (at bud crack stage) in order to keep the plant producing. If you let the flowers go to seed, it signals the plant that it's life is over.

#### 7. Rudbeckia – Indian Summer



Rudbeckia is a tender perennial and should produce flowers next year if you leave it in the ground. Needs 9" space.

# 8. Statice



Statice can be used fresh or dried and it is not fussy. I've noticed that butterflies prefer statice to any other flower I grow. This variety is Apricot and needs 12" space.

# 9. Pincushion / Scabiosa – Black Knight



Pincushion plants produce lots of thin stemmed unique flowers. It prefers partial shade and gets very leggy, so provide some kind of support for it.

# 10. Bunny Tails



Bunny Tails can be used fresh or dried. This is a grass that produces lots of cute seed heads that add a special touch to arrangements. Needs 12" space.

## 11. Celosia – Terracotta



Celosia can be used fresh or dried. When plants are 8" tall, pinch the top inch or two from the top of the plant. This will make the plant branch out, giving you more stems. Needs 9" space.