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1916 WHOLESALE

Catalog of Strawberry Plants

SPECIAL HOME GARDEN COLLECTIONS

Collection No. 1—250 Plants $1.00, postpaid.
150 Dunlap or Johnson's Early (or part of each kind) and 100 of any spring varieties, your selection

Collection No. 2—200 Plants $1.00, postpaid.
200 Plants, your selection from any of the 21 spring varieties we list.

Collection No. 3—350 Plants $1.00.
250 Dunlap or Johnson's Early (or part of each) and 100 of any spring varieties. By express.

Trial Collection No. 4—525 Plants $2.50.
Contains 25 each of the 21 spring varieties listed in this price list. By express.
Not less than 25 of a kind. Our plants are all put up in bunches of 25 and an extra plant in some.

Wholesale Prices of Strawberry Plants

Fifty of one variety at 100 rates, and 500 at 1000 rate. If by mail add postage; about 5 pounds to 200 plants.

Senator Dunlap and Johnson's Early, 100 for 40c; 300, 60c; 1000, $1.50; 10M or over at $1.40 per thousand.

Bederwood, Crescent, Warfield, Stevens' Late Champion, Brandywine, Aroma, and Glen Mary, 100 for 40c; 250, 70c; 1000, $2.00.

Evening Star, Gandy, Pride of Michigan, Wm. Belt, Gibson, Klondike, Fendall, Helen Davis, Early Ozark and Haverland, 100 for 40c; 250, 70c; 1000, $2.50.

Big Joe and Chesapeake, 100 for 40c.

Mixed Strawberry Plants, $1 per thousand.

Superb and Progressive Everbearing, 100 for $1; 1000 for $7. $1.25 per 100 postpaid.

St. Regis Everbearing Raspberry and Dewberries, $1 per 100 in any quantity.

LARGE ORDERS—On all orders of $10.00 or over we will allow thousand rates on all varieties for any number of plants selected. Special prices on large orders for 5,000 or more of one variety.

SEASON OF SHIPPING—We commence to ship as early in March as the season will permit.

SPECIAL—Send us the names and full address of all the berry growers you know and we will add some valuable extras to your order. For a photograph of your berries or strawberry patch you will receive extras next season. Send your order early.

TERMS—Cash with order. We will book orders of $6.00 or over when 25% of the amount accompanies the order, the balance to be remitted when you want the plants shipped. Remit by check, money order, draft, register.

Number of Plants Required to Set Out One Acre

36x30 inches apart, 5,800 plants  42x24 inches, 6,225 plants  48x18 inches, 7,260  48x24 inches, 5,445.

KIGER'S PLANT NURSERY

"Strawberry Plants That Grow"

MONTROSE  IOWA
SEASON OF 1916

We have an extra large supply of good thrifty plants that will grow and produce big crops of berries.

Our nursery is located 8 miles north of Keokuk in the Montrose-Belmont berry belt where berries are grown by the carload. One berry association having a membership of over 130 growers.

In selecting varieties we have selected those known to be the business varieties. All plants offered for sale are grown by ourselves and the greatest of care is used to have them all true to name.

If you favor us with your order you will receive plants equal to the best. We will appreciate having your order at an early date and wishing you a prosperous season, we remain, Yours very truly, ORVIL KIGER

State of Iowa Certificate of Nursery Inspection No. 20

This is to certify that in accordance with Chapter 53 of the Acts of the Twenty-seventh General Assembly (Code Section 2570-51) the nursery stock for sale by Orvil Kiger, of Montrose, Iowa, has been inspected by a duly authorized inspector and has been found apparently free from dangerously injurious insects and plant diseases. This Certificate is invalid after July 31st, 1916. Dated July 23, 1916.
Office of State Entomologist, Ames, Iowa
J. E. GUTHRIE, Asst State Entomologist.

Varieties of Strawberry plants marked (imp.) are imperfect and must have perfect varieties set every third or fourth row. Those marked (per.) are perfect and fertilize themselves; they may be set in large patches alone with best results.

Everbearing Strawberries

The Everbearing Strawberry is a big success. They will produce a large crop of berries the same year they are planted. The next June they make a full crop equal to if not more than any spring variety and then bear abundantly all summer and fall.

From a small fruiting bed set out last April from August 15 to Nov. 11 we picked about 200 quarts of fruit and the 150 quarts we sold brought 25 cents a quart straight. We were the first grower to put fall berries on the Keokuk market. People went nearly wild over strawberries in fall and they would not go around at 40 cents.

We paid $2.00 per 100 for our original stock of plants and the first season they paid for themselves twice over. At the price we are offering the plants you should plant at least a hundred or more. To be sure of buying the plants of us the earlier you order the plants the better as our supply will very likely be gone before the season is over as demand is great.

SUPERB—A well named variety. Fruit is large, dark red, firm and extra fine quality. One of the best of the fall bearing berries and one of the most profitable.

PROGRESSIVE—per. Makes nearly as many plants as the Dunlap. A very heavy producer. Medium size, highly colored and red clear thru. Quality equal to the best.

CULTURE—Plant in early spring and cultivate same as spring kinds. Keep all of the blossoms picked off until August 1st or about 25 days before you want ripe fruit. After the first year they bear both spring and fall.

St. Regis Everbearing Red Raspberry

The famous everbearing raspberry that is now one of the most valuable commercial varieties. The St. Regis when planted in the spring will produce young canes in a few weeks which will bear a crop of fruit from midsummer till frost comes. The next summer the old canes produce more berries than any other red variety. Then the young canes commence to bear and produce fruit continuously till cold weather. Berries are large size, bright crimson, good shipper and finest quality. It is early and very hardy. Plant this variety.
Spring Bearing Strawberries

Johnson’s Early (per.) The largest of the early varieties and we believe the best. We are sure you will make no mistake in planting it for an early berry. Our Johnson’s Early berries were the finest we saw on the Keokuk market last spring. It is very productive, large dark red berries, quality the best. We have a large supply of nice plants.

Senator Dunlap (per.) This is the best all-round strawberry, if we could plant only one variety it would be the Dunlap. The berry is a self fertiler, that is to say it needs no other variety to be grown with it to make it bear large crops of berries, which makes it one of the easiest varieties to grow and an ideal variety for those just starting with berries. It is a hardy plant, has a long flowering season, resists drouth, fine quality, dark red color, very productive. Mid-season to early. The plants are not large but deep rooted and thrive almost anywhere and on any soil. Many of the largest commercial berry growers here set only the Dunlap. We have more plants of this variety than all others combined but as this variety is our best seller, it’s important that you order early in the plant season.

Bederwood (per.) A standard early variety. Enormously productive, long season.

WARFIELD (imp.) Mid season. A standard variety. It is a deep red, Prolific. Plant with Dunlap.

Aroma (per.) Late. One of the best. Berry very large, showy, firm, good shipper.

Crescent (imp.) Early. Great plant maker. Can be relied on for a crop when many other varieties fail. Fertilize with Dunlap or an early season variety.

Gibson (per.) One of the most profitable varieties grown. Berry red clear thru. Quality.

Glen Mary (per.) Medium late. Great plant maker. Large, fine flavor, very productive.

Stevens’ Late Champion (per) Later than the Gandy. Very large, fine, productive.

Evening Star (per.) A good all around late variety. Claimed to out yield the Gandy.

HAVERLAND (imp.) Medium early. Very productive, large and fine. A standard profitable variety.

Early Ozark (per) Very early, large, deep red clear thru, very productive. Try this one.

Fendall (imp.) Late and very long season. Largest, smooth, glossy, delicious flavor. Has yielded at the rate of nearly 17,000 quarts to the acre. Order the plants early.

Klondike (per.) The great market variety of the south and a good one for the north.

Gandy (per.) Late. Extensively grown, very large, bright red, one of the best shippers.

Wm. Belt (per) Late. Large plant. Very large conical shape, crimson, fine quality.

Brandywine (per) Medium late. Large, firm, dark red, fine flavor, productive.

HELEN DAVIS (per.) It is a heavy cropper. Large, sweet, perfect berries. Has a long bearing season.

PRIDE OF MICHIGAN (per.) Plants large with an abundance of foliage. Good quality.

Big Joe (per.) A grand good new late variety. Large, handsome berries, productive.

Chesapeake (per.) One of the very best late ripening kinds. Thrifty plants. Try it.

SPECIAL OFFER!

For each $1.00 sent us for Strawberry Plants selected from this list--if order is received before April 1, 1916--we will include any 2 of the following 1 to 4 year old plants; we have about two thousand plants in the lot, 8 to 750 of each kind:

Concord Grape vines
Himalaya Berry plants
Lucretia Dewberries
Linnaeus Rhubarb
Moore’s Early Grape vines
Red Cross Currants
Austin Dewberries
Giant Argenteuil Asparagus
Iowa King Red Raspberries
Rathburn Blackberry plants
Perfection Currants
Plum Farmer Raspberries
St. Regis Ever. Raspberries

All plants will be cut back to about 1 foot and shipped with your strawberry plants. Remember, if your order amounts to $1.00, you get 2 plants free; $2.00 you get 4 plants; and so on. Make 2nd and 3rd choice. We reserve the right to substitute if those selected have already been taken. This offer holds good only until our supply is exhausted, and to be sure to get first choice you should send your order early. With Express shipments only.
Austin and Lucretia Dewberries

The standard dewberries. Earlier than blackberries and as large as the largest of them. It is hardy and exceedingly prolific, thriving everywhere. They are of slender, trailing habit. The fruit is of excellent quality, large and handsome, jet black, rich and melting, and a good shipper.

That Strawberry Bed

There is no fruit more welcome than the strawberry, and it comes so early in the spring, yet there are so many homes in the country as well as in town where there are no strawberries grown, where if a small patch of ground were set to strawberries, even from 200 to 399 plants, you could just "swim in berries" and have lots to sell besides. A person that has never had the experience of growing strawberries has missed half their life, almost. It is said that a strawberry bed as big as a blanket will furnish enough berries for an entire family, but you should have more if possible, as there is nothing like having all you can use and some besides when it comes to big ripe strawberries.

There is big money in growing berries for market too. It is wonderful what an acre in strawberries will produce—more bushels than corn, wheat or potatoes.

CULTURE

First you should select good rich ground, altho most any kind will grow good berries, and ground that has grown garden truck or potatoes is preferred. Set out plants EARLY, the latter part of March or early in April or as early as the ground will work. Plants may be set out in May if the season is not too dry. You can not get the ground in too good order. Mark out in rows about four feet apart and two feet in the row. A common sled runner marker is best. If to be cultivated both ways, it will be necessary to cross mark the plot and set plants at the intersections of the marks. Be careful not to set plants too deep, have the crowns just above the ground, firm the soil about the roots. Cultivate at least every week and after every rain. Keep the weeds out and never let a crust form on the ground. Cultivate shallow, one-half inch close to the plants and three inches between the rows is deep enough. Pinch off all fruiting stems as soon as they appear, also pinch all runners until the plants make good strong crowns, then about the middle of June you can let all the runners grow and your plants should cover the ground by fall. Mulch with straw, drilled corn fodder or leaves after the ground is frozen. If you set an imperfect flowering variety you must plant about every third row to some perfect variety to furnish pollen. Any perfect variety may be set alone. Set out that strawberry patch this spring—don't put it off again.

Eggs for Hatching

S. C. WHITE LEGHORN  S. C. RHODE ISLAND REDS
Eggs $1 for 25; $3 hundred  Eggs $1 for 20; $4 hundred

Farm raised, western strains. Headed by Young, etc. and Scranton strain cockerels, respectively. Great winter layers. Stock for sale in June, Jul., Aug

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