

The Beauty of Dahlias

Resource Sheet

Dahlia Favorites

Sylvia

Workhorse solid orange decorative with good plant habit, best planted in garden bed
Height: 4' / Bloom size: 2"-4" / Bloom form: ball/pompon

Blizzard

Our go-to white, very long stems, tall habit, decorative
Height: 5' / Bloom size: 4" / Bloom form: ball/pompon

Ivanetti

Staple dark purple ball almost burgundy, very productive
Height: 4' / Bloom size: 2"-4" / Bloom form: ball/pompon

Honey Dew

Very large, symmetrical cupped blooms; blend of creamy apricot and yellow, sometimes striped red
Height: 4' / Bloom size: 7" / Bloom form: formal decorative

Clearview Peachy

Extremely productive, peachy apricot blooms
Height: 4'-5' / Bloom size: 3"-4" / Bloom form: ball/pompon

Spartacus

Blooms of beautiful black-red color that make the petals appear to be made of velvet
Extremely productive, peachy apricot blooms
Height: 4'-6' / Bloom size: 9" / Bloom form: informal decorative

Mars

Red blooms of a simple outer row of almost flat, overlapping petals with a central disc encircled by a "collar" of small florets that create a ruffle appearance
Height: 4'-5' / Bloom size: up to 4" / Bloom form: miniature collarette

Kidds' Climax

Huge blooms of a luscious blend of pink and creamy yellow...sturdy and free flowering
Height: 3'-4' / Bloom size: 10" / Bloom form: formal decorative

Elsie Huston

Large blooms of dark pink on pencil thick stems
Height: 4' / Bloom size: 8"-10" / Bloom form: informal decorative



Magic Moment

Multi-peel blooms in white with soft lavender tips

Height: 4.5'-5' / Bloom size: 5.5" / Bloom form: semi-cactus

Additional Learning Opportunities

Greater Philadelphia Dahlias Society Flower Show

September 11, 2021 from 1-6 pm and September 12, 2021 from 10 am-6 pm

Hosted at Longwood Gardens, included with Gardens Admissions

Dazzling Dahlia Class

Online, live-streamed hands-on workshop includes dahlias to create your own floral arrangement

September 30, 2021, 10 am-12 pm or 2-4 pm

Fee: \$129

Gardens Preferred and Gardens Premium Members receive a discount

Plant Sources: *Order in the fall for best availability*

1. [The Farm at Oxford, Local Dahlia Grower](#)
2. [Swan Island Dahlias](#)
3. [Dan's Dahlias](#)
4. [Summer Dreams Farm](#)
5. [Honken Dahlias](#)
6. [Five Forks Farm](#)
7. [Arrowhead Dahlias](#)
8. [Triple Wren Farm](#)

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Additional Resources

1. *Floret Farm's Discovering Dahlias: A Guide to Growing and Arranging Magnificent Blooms* by Erin Benzakein
2. *Dahlia Breeding for the Farmer-Florist and the home Gardener: A Step by Step Guide to Hybridizing New Dahlia Varieties from Seed* by Kristine Albrecht
3. [American Dahlias Society](#)
4. [Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society](#)
5. [Colorado Dahlia Society](#)
6. [Penn State Extension](#)

