

Master Gardeners Annuals and Perennials

Betsy Busche operates a small cut flower farm located on borrowed land from family and friends. She sells her flowers through bouquet subscriptions, farmers market and local stores.

Spongetta's Garden <https://www.spongettasgarden.com>

Helpful links:

USDA Zone Map

<https://planthardiness.ars.usda.gov/PHZMWeb/>

Frost Dates

<https://davesgarden.com/guides/freeze-frost-dates/>

Cool Flowers Lisa Ziegler The Gardeners Workshop

<https://www.thegardenersworkshop.com>

Dahlias Erin Benzekien Floret Flower <https://www.floretflowers.com>

Rutgers Deer Resistant List <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/deer-resistant-plants/>

Pet Safety

<https://www.aspca.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control/toxic-and-non-toxic-plants>

Garden Layout Calculator <https://www.omnicalculator.com/construction/plants>

Resources for Cut Flowers

- Johnny's Select Seed (Grower's Library and color search)
- *Cool Flowers* and *The Gardener's Workshop* - Lisa Ziegler
- *The Cut Flower Garden* and www.floretflowers.com - Erin Benzakein
- *The Flower Farmer* - Lynn Byczynski
- Growing Small Farms North Carolina State Extension - Web Resources Cut Flowers
- Gardenista.com (Rethinking series) and Team Flower (has great lists)
- Rutgers deer resistant list and ASPCA pet safe lists

Buying Cut Flower Seeds Online:

Johnny's Select Seed Seeds and supplies for professional or home gardener with many ways to search including by color in packets and larger quantities

Floret Flowers All about cut flowers so best resource on varieties with sort features like biennials, hardy annuals, filler and greenery. Online only.

Select Seeds Hard to find heirloom varieties in packet sizes

Swallowtail Seed Unusual varieties plus extensive perennial seeds. Online only.

Harris Seed / Garden Trends Great source for wholesale supplies, plugs, liners and bulbs

The Gardener's Workshop All about cut flower seeds and supplies, great place for a beginner to start

Geoseeds professional offerings of trade packets, no pictures, Park Seed is retail

The two major professional companies are Ball Seed and Germania

Bulbs from John Scheepers/ Van Engelen Inc.

<https://www.johnscheepers.com/> and <https://www.vanengelen.com>

Dahlia tubers from Swan Island and individual farms

Perennials

Liners from Walter's Gardens <https://www.waltersgardens.com>

Plants from Annie's Perennials <https://www.anniesannuals.com>

Wayside Gardens <https://www.waysidegardens.com>

Bluestone Perennials. <https://www.bluestoneperennials.com>