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*The Hardy Flower Book () [Edmund Howard Jenkins, Frederick W. Harvey] on blog.quintoapp.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. This scarce antiquarian book is a facsimile reprint of the original.*

Blue Campanulas *Campanula glomerata* There are many perennial plants of the *Campanula* family for gardens. Either one is a good choice, and provides a lavender blue color or purplish flowers. They also come in white. They are sturdy, and nothing compares to them during their fall bloom. Cushion chrysanthemums come in many colors from golden yellow through pink to maroon. They need fertilizing because they are greedy feeders for that burst of bloom. And good culture practice is to pinch off the buds and growing points of the branches before July 4th, after which you leave them alone, to ensure a fall rather than late summer bloom. It is worth it to have their beautiful color when nothing else is so strongly blooming. Not to be confused with the lilies that grow from bulbs, these hardy perennials come in such a huge spectrum of varieties that one can be found to meet just about any desire for a blooming flower. Read more about daylilies in their own highlight on this page. Unbothered by diseases, they bloom in the early summer or late spring, and have beautiful foliage for the rest of the season, which is no small benefit. Coneflowers Native Coneflower *Echinacea purpurea* The coneflower is another native flower from the prairies and has rightfully become extremely popular. It is one perennial that is very easy to grow from seed and can be divided as well. There are some new colors and sizes that are now available. The foliage is a little coarse and the plants grow strongly vertical. The cone seedheads remain for winter interest, so this is a long season perennial. Pink Peonies Old fashioned, fullblown, and fragrant Source Springtime Peonies Peonies Old fashioned, fragrant, beautiful foliage, with big showy flowers Another great flower for the period garden, it is a great cut flower, and makes a fine looking herbaceous bush for the time it is out of bloom- which is all of the summer, since these bloom only in springtime. But what a show they give! Good Dried Flowers, Too Goldplate Yarrow *Achillea filipendulina* I told you prairie flowers are some of the best for garden success and here is another one. The flat plate- like flowers rise medium to tall in the garden, are excellent dried flowers and will be sturdy, strong growers when given full sun. Fine textured green foliage. These flowers are an interesting form that is good for all types of gardens. If you are tired of Black-eyed Susans grow these plants instead. Or better yet, combine them. Must-Have Plant Hostas Hostas are some of the preeminently useful perennials of the garden. Mainly grown for the gorgeous foliage and the full shape of their plant, they also have flowers, which are a fine feature in some of the varieties. They are hardy, and grow somewhat slowly, but many become giants if given time. They also work as groundcovers. They also bloom during a later season than many plants. Breeders are producing many types and some different colors, but I prefer the mid sized golden ones. Goldsturm is a good one. Most flowering perennials require full sun or at least part sun. Daylilies are Everyones Favorite - Widely used by Landscapers for good reason photo by normanack Day lilies provide a long period of bloom, great color on a well formed plant that stays healthy. It also grows in a wide variety of conditions. They have a span over a long season- you can get early, mid, and late bloomers. Tall, medium, and miniature heights Some of my favorites are: Hyperion This is an old fashioned one, with lemon yellow blooms and fine fragrance. It is also good for a period garden. Siloam Junebug is a cute miniature that will bloom her head off. All the varieties that come from the Siloam group are worth growing. Moonlit Masquerade is a prolific bloomer. Fairy Tale Pink for sweet, tender color. Lullaby Baby small, but many blooms, in a pretty white. Golden, Yellow, And Orange Are Common *Hemerocallis* Hues Hyperion is one of the best Daylilies An heirloom plant Lemon yellow with a delicious fragrance, the stature of this daylily is slender and tall. It was introduced in and has stood the test of time in many gardens. No wonder it is one of my own favorites. Tell us about it!

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Delphinium, Gladiolus, Phlox, Pyrethrum, and other important groups of flowers whose present-day excellence and variety we owe to the persistent labours of the florist working from very small beginnings. In some instances, e. It is as the unknown wealth of an unworked mine, and, with the raw material at hand, the twain are but waiting for workers. By reason of their importance, we purpose considering some in more or less detail, giving the necessary instructions in each case. The herbaceous Paeony is one of the hardiest and noblest of flowering plants, absolutely indispensable to in large degree it is typified the early summer garden. The hybrid sorts, which are so much appreciated by us, however, have been partly raised from this and other European sorts, though chiefly perhaps from such Chinese species as *albiflora*, *edulis* and *sinensis*, whose flowering is somewhat later. In more recent years a number of Japanese varieties have been introduced, though these as yet are open to improvement. Points of importance, which cannot be ignored, concern their stateliness of growth and fine leaf development, with which is combined a chaste or brilliant colour beauty, great variety, and frequently a delicious perfume. Then in the earlier springtime we get the rich effect of crimsoned stems and leaves, as brilliant as the Dogwood in winter, and worth making much of in the garden. A possibly weak point is the transient nature of the flowers, more particularly the single and semi-double varieties, though even the best doubles share this to some extent with the rest. There is, however, a great wealth of variety, of species and forms, following each other in rapid succession, and which keeps the Paeony before us. Moreover, it would appear almost immune from insect pest or fungus. In no sense or degree can the herbaceous Paeony be regarded as fastidious. To these, indeed, the plants take kindly and readily. The only classes of soils I would not recommend for these are those of a tenacious clay nature, and in these, too, more than in all besides, they appear prone to a species of root scab for weeks. Though most frequently seen as isolated examples in the mixed border, I would strongly urge their use in beds or bold groups apart, or even specialised in extensive borders which they might share in spring with the bolder Daffodils and some of the finer Lilies autumn. The Paeony, indeed, is worthy of such specialisation, and probably in no other way can it be seen to such advantage. Permitted to grow and develop on natural lines, the stately grandeur of the plant, its leaf beauty, and its charm would be fully revealed. A great Paeony border fringing a carriage drive having a grass verge of five feet or six feet in width in its immediate front would be a sort of revelation something to admire, something to remember. Moreover, it would worthily present to view a distinguished race, a race whose unfettered beauty would appeal to all. Bundle or beesom-tied, as we have said elsewhere, its greatest attributes are forfeited by thoughtless work. The Paeony is one of the best, and worthy of our best in garden or skill. Occasionally it is seen in the woodland, though for this purpose there is none so good as the old double crimson P, *officinalis*, which is always early awake.

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