

Dried Flowers

A Garden Guide

Many flowers and/or the foliage of perennials, herbs, annuals, and shrubs can be dried for winter arrangements or wreaths. Pick flowers after the dew has dried, and choose ones that are about halfway open, as they will open fully by the time they are dry. Hang upside down to dry in a dark warm place with plenty of ventilation such as an attic. The flowers should be stored in a dark area to preserve the color and aroma. Spraying with an unscented hair spray or an acrylic spray will help prevent shedding and color loss. Varieties listed may not be available at all times.



PERENNIALS

Achillea sp. – Yarrow, 16-36", sun

Alchemilla sp. – Lady's Mantle, 8-12", ½ day sun to shade

Allium schoenoprasum – Chives, 12-16", sun

Allium tuberosum – Garlic Chives, 12-18", sun

Artemisia stelleriana – 24-36", sun

Asclepias tuberosa – Butterflyweed, 24", sun to ½ day sun

Astilbe sp. – False Spirea, 12-24", 1/2 day sun to shade

Astrantia sp. – 12-18", sun to part shade

Buddleia sp. – Butterfly Bush, 4-6', sun to ½ day sun

Daucus sp. – Queen Anne's Lace, 36", sun to ½ day sun

Delphinium sp. – Larkspur, 16-36", sun to ½ day sun

Echinacea purpurea – Coneflower, 24-48", sun

Eupatorium syn Eutrochium sp. – Joe Pye Weed, 48-60", sun to ½ day sun

Gypsophila sp. – Baby's Breath, 24-36", sun to ½ day sun

Iris Sibirica – Siberian Iris, 24-36", sun to ½ day sun

Lavandula 'Provence' – 12-16", sun

Liatris sp. – Gayfeather, 24-36", sun to ½ day sun

Monarda sp. – Beebalm, 36-48", sun to shade

Narcissus sp. – Daffodils, 6-24", sun to ½ day sun

Papaver sp. – Oriental Poppy, 18-24", sun to ½ day sun

Perovskia syn. Salvia yangii – Russian Sage, 36-48", sun

Pycnanthemum muticum – Mountain Mint, 1-3', sun

Rudbeckia speciosa and 'Goldsturm' – Black-Eye Susan, 24-36", sun

Salvia spp. – Perennial sage, 16-24", sun
Sedum 'Autumn' Joy – 24-28", sun
Solidago sp. – Goldenrod, 12-26", sun
Stachys byzantina – Lamb's Ear, 8-12", sun to ½ day sun
Tanacetum vulgare – Tansy, 36", sun
Typha sp. – Cattail, 12-72", sun to ½ day sun
Veronica sp. – Speedwell, 12-18", sun to ½ day sun

ANNUALS AND BIENNIALS



Amaranthus caudatus – Love Lies Bleeding, 24-60", sun
Celosia sp. – Cockscomb, 12-24", sun
Centaurea sp. – Bachelor's Button, 24", sun to ½ day sun
Delphinium sp. – Larkspur, 36-48", sun to ½ day sun
Eucalyptus sp. – 24-48", sun
Gomphrena sp. – Globe Amaranth, 24-36", sun
Helianthus spp. – Annual Sunflower, 24-72", sun
Helichrysum sp. – Strawflower, 24-36', sun

Jacobaea maritima – Dusty Miller, 8-12", sun
Lunaria sp. – Money Plant, 36", sun to part shade
Matthiola incana – Stock, 12-16", sun
Nigella sp. – Love In A Mist, 24-36", sun
Papaver sp. – Annual Poppy, 12-36", sun
Physalis sp. – Chinese Lantern, 24-36", sun
Salvia spp. – Mealycup Sage and Mexican Sage, 12-48", sun
Viola sp. – Pansies and Violas, 6-12", sun to ½ day sun
Zinnia sp. – 12-48", sun

HERBS

Mentha sp. – Mint, 16-42", sun
Oregano vulgaris – Oregano, 12-16", sun
Tanacetum vulgare – Tansy, 12-16", sun

VEGETABLES

Abelmoschus esculentus – Okra, 48-60", sun
Capsicum annuum – Peppers, 12-36", sun
Phaseolus vulgaris – Beans, 12-48", sun to ½ day sun

SHRUBS

Hydrangea 'PeeGee' and *'Lacecap'* – 6-12', sun to ½ day sun
Magnolia sp. – 24-60', sun
Rosa sp. – Rose, 24-72", sun
Syringa sp. – Lilac, 8-30' depending on exact species and cultivar, sun
Viburnum spp. – Viburnums, snowball, 6-20' depending on species and cultivar, sun to part sun

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