

Flowers of Our Lady Plant Source Guide

The Mary's Gardens Master List of some 140 Flowers of Our Lady commercially available as plants has been prepared for the convenience of both new and experienced Mary-Gardeners.

The plants are listed alphabetically by botanical name, together with a common and religious name for each plant and keyed cross-references to four plant nurseries offering plants by mail order.

Starting with purchased plants has the advantage of being able to have an "instant" garden. It has the disadvantage of greater expense, a more limited number of varieties to choose from as compared to starting from seed, and some risk of setback to the plants during shipping and transplanting and from placing them in a different soil and climatic environment from that in which they were started.

Essential to successful transplanting is firm packing of loosened soil around the plant roots, ample watering, provision of some plant support stakes if necessary, and shading for several days from direct sunlight which otherwise can cause wilting and perhaps permanent damage.

As plants grow in size many can be propagated by division in the fall - by dividing the root mass of a large plant into several smaller plants, and planting them in new locations.

Commercially offered plants are frequently selectively bred and hybridized strains providing larger or more varied blooms, or a longer bloom period, than the natural plant genera and species of the Flowers of Our Lady documented in the research - as they were found and named growing in the wild, and for which seeds of many species are still available today as collected from the wild (see Flowers Of Our Lady Seed Source Guide).

Where the symbolical plant forms and colors of the natural species of the research are found in commercially available plants of selected and hybridized strains, many Mary-Gardeners grow these strains where the natural species are only available as seeds. This continues the tradition of the countrysides where, as found in the research, symbolic names were frequently transferred from one plant variety to a similar one found in another locale (for example the transferral of the name Marigold (Mary's Gold) from the European *Calendula* to the New World *Tagetes*). Likewise, equivalent perennials, available as plants, are often grown where the annuals of the research are only available as seed.

Thus, the catalog references of the plant list may be to either the exact species of the research or - in the absence of a plant catalog listing of this species - to an offered strain adjudged to retain the symbolism of the natural species. Therefore, in checking the catalog references, first see if you can find the natural species given in the list. If not, then examine the plant photos and descriptions to find an offered strain displaying the symbolism of the religious name for the species. Sometimes a species listing may be found in one catalog, and only the listing of developed strains in others.

The four catalogs referenced can be obtained free of charge by writing for them at these addresses, or (1999) by accessing their web sites:

BLUESTONE PERENNIALS
7211 Middle Ridge Road
Madison, OH 44057
www.bluestoneperennials.com

WAYSIDE GARDENS
1 Garden Lane
Hodges, SC 29695-0001
www.waysidegardens.com

MILAEGER'S GARDENS
4838 Douglas Avenue
Racine, WI 53402-2498
www.milaegersgardens.com

WHITE FLOWER FARM
PO Box 50
Litchfield, CT 06759-0050
www.whiteflowerfarm.com

Plant Selection. Select the desired Flowers of Our Lady for your Mary Garden from the lists of 14, 100 and 200 Flowers of Our Lady, and 100 Herbs, on this Web Site. Then locate those which are on this list of 140 commercially available as plants.

FLOWERS OF OUR LADY PLANT LOCATOR GUIDE (ALPHABETICAL)

HA	Hardy Annual	HP	Hardy Perennial
HB	Hardy Biennial	HSh	Hardy Shrub
HBb	Hardy Perennial Bulb	HT	Hardy Tree
HHA	Half-Hardy Annual	TP	Tender Perennial
HHP	Half-Hardy Perennial	TSh	Tender Shrub
HHT	Half-Hardy Tree		

(Hardy - Stands Frost; Half-Hardy - Some Frost; Tender - No Frost)

BLU Bluestone Perennials

MIL Milaeger's Gardens

WSG Wayside Gardens

WFF White Flower Farms

BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME	RELIGIOUS NAME	GROWTH	BLU	MIL	WSG	WFF
<i>Achillea millefol.</i>	Yarrow	Christ's Back	HP	X	X	X	X
<i>Aconitum napellus</i>	Monkshood	O. L. Slipper	HP		X	X	
<i>Adenophora lilifol.</i>	Ladybell	Our Lady's Bells	HP	X			
<i>Adenophora confusa</i>	Bellwort	Mary's Bells	HP		X		X
<i>Adiantum sp.</i>	Maidenhair Fern	Our Lady's Hair	TP		X		X
<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	Ajuga	St. Lawrence Plt.	HP	X			
<i>Alcea rosea</i>	Hollyhock	St. Joseph's Staff	HA/HP	X		X	X
<i>Alchemilla mollis</i>	Lady's Mantle	Our Lady's Mantle	HP	X	X		X
<i>Allium schoenopras.</i>	Chives	Our Lady's Garlic	HP	X			
<i>Anaphalis margarit.</i>	Everlasting	Lady Never-Fade	HP	X			
<i>Anemone nemerosa</i>	Wood Anemone	Candlemas Caps	HP		X		X
<i>Anemone pulsatilla</i>	Pasch-flower	Easter Flower	HP	X			
<i>Anethum graveolens</i>	Dill	Devil-Away	HA	X			
<i>Anthemis nobilis</i>	Chamomile	Mary's Plant	HP	X			
<i>Anthemis sancti-joh.</i>	St. John's Wort	St. John's wort	HP	X	X		
<i>Anthericum liliago</i>	St. Bernrd Lily	St. Bernard's Lily	HBb		X		
<i>Aquilegia sp.</i>	Columbine	Holy Spirit Plant	HP	X	X		
<i>Aquilegia vulgaris</i>	Columbine	Our Lady's Shoes	HP		X	X	X
<i>Arabis alpina</i>	Rock cress	O. L. Cushion	HP	X			
<i>Armeria maritima</i>	Thrift, Sea Pink	O. L. Pincushion	HP		X	X	
<i>Asperula odorata</i>	Sweet Woodruff	O. L. Needlework	HP	X			X
<i>Aster amellus</i>	Aster, Italian	O.L Birthday Flwr	HP				X
<i>Aster novae-angliae</i>	Aster, New Engl.	Michaelmas Daisy	HP	X	X	X	X
<i>Astrantia major</i>	Great Masterwrt	Our Lady's Mantle	HP		X		
<i>Athyrium felix-f.</i>	Lady Fern	Our Lady's Fern	HP		X	X	X
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	English Daisy	Mary-Loves	HB	X			
<i>Briza media</i>	Grass, Quaking	O.L. Tresses	HP		X		
<i>Bupthalmum salic.</i>	Yellow Ox-Eye	Mary's Plant	HP	X			
<i>Caladium (hybrid)</i>	Fancy-Leaf Cal.	Mary's Heart	TP			X	
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Heather	O. L. Adversary	HSh				X
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marigold, Marsh	Mary's Gold	HP		X		
<i>Campanula rotundif.</i>	Harebell	O. L. Thimble	HP	X	X		X
<i>Canna indica</i>	Indian Shot	(Rosary Beads)	HHP			X	
<i>Centranthus ruber</i>	Valerian, Red	O. L. Needlework	HP	X	X	X	X

Chrysanthemum sp.	Chrysanthemum	(Epiphany legend)	HP	X				
Chrysanthemum leuc.	Daisy, Ox-Eye	Infant Jesus'Flwr	HP		X	X		
Chrysanthemum ma .	Shasta Daisy	M. Flower of God	HP					X
Clematis vitalba	Virgin's Bower	Our Lady's Bower	HP		X	X	X	
Convallaria majalis	Lily-of-Valley	Mary's Tears	HP			X	X	
Coreopsis tinctora	Calliopsis	St. James' Flower	HA	X				X
Cornus florida	Dogwood	(Cross Legend)	HT			X		
Corydalis cava	Fumitory	Our Lady's Hens	HP		X	X	X	
Daboecia cantabrica	Heath, Irish	Holy Heather	HSh	X	X			X
Dahlia pinnata	Dahlia, Garden	Church Flower	HHA/HHP			X	X	
Daphne mezereum	Garland Flower	Our Lady's Laurel	HSh			X		
Delphinium ajacis	Larkspur	Mary's Tears	HA		X	X	X	
Dianthus barbatus	Sweet William	Our Lady's Cushion	HB	X				
Dianthus caryophyl.	Carnation	Mthr-of-God's Love	HP	X				
Dianthus deltoides	Maiden Pink	Mary's Pink	HA/HP	X				X
Dianthus plumarius	Clove Pink	Virgin Pink	HP		X	X	X	
Dicentra spectabil.	Bleeding Heart	Mary's Heart	HP	X	X	X	X	
Dictamnus albus	Gas Plant	Burning Bush	HP		X	X	X	
Digitalis purpurea	Foxglove	Our Lady's Glove	HB	X	X	X	X	
Erodium gruinum	Stork's-Bill	Madonna's Pins	HA/HB	X				
Filipendula ulmaria	Meadow-sweet	O.L.of the Meadow	HP	X	X			X
Fragaria vesca	Strawberry	(Fruitful Virgin)	HP		X	X	X	
Fuchsia magellanica	Garden Fuchsia	O. L. Eardrops	HSh					
Gaillardia pulch.	Blanket Flower	The Virgin's Face	HA	X		X	X	
Geranium maculatum	Cranesbill	Our Lady's Pins	HP	X	X	X	X	
Gladiolus sp.	Gladiolus	Ladder-to-Heaven	TBb			X		
Gypsophila panicul.	Baby's Breath	Our Lady's Veil	HP	X	X	X	X	
Hedera helix	Ground Ivy	Where God Walked	HP	X				
Helianthus annuus	Sunflower	Mary's Gold	HA					X
Helleborus niger	Christmas Rose	Christmas Rose	HP		X	X	X	
Helleborus oriental.	Pasch-flower	Easter Flower	HP		X			X
Hemerocallis (hybr)	Day Lily	St. Joseph's Lily	HP	X	X	X	X	
Hesperis matronalis	Dame's Rocket	Pentecost Spikes	HB/HP	X				
Hibiscus syriacus	Rose of Sharon	Rose of Sharon	HSh	X		X		
Hosta plantaginea	White Day Lily	Assumption Lily	HP	X	X			X
Hypericum calycinum	Rose of Sharon	Rose of Sharon	HP			X		
Hypericum perforat.	St. Johnswort	Mary's Glory	HP	X		X		
Iberis sempervirens	Candytuft	Easter Flower	HP	X				
Iris germanica	Iris, German	M.Sword of Sorrow	HP	X	X	X	X	
Iris psuedocorus	Yellow Flag	Fleur-de-Lys	HP		X			X
Lamium maculatum	Dead Nettle	Madonna's Milk	HP	X		X	X	
Lathyrus odoratus	Sweet Pea	O. L. Sweet Pea	HA		X			
Lavandula spica	Lavender	Mary's Drying Plat	HP	X	X	X	X	
Leontopodium alpin.	Edelweiss	(Purity emblem)	HP	X				
Lilium candidum	Lily, Madonna	Mary Lily	HBb		X	X		
Lilium longiflorum	Lily, Easter	Easter Lily	HBb					X
Lilium martagon	Lily,Turk's Cap	Our Lady's Tears	HBb		X			
Lobelia cardinalis	Cardinal Flower	Cardinal Flower	HP	X	X			
Lonicera pericly.	Woodbine	Our Lady's Fingers	HP		X	X	X	
Lupinus (Hybr.)	Lupine	(Flight to Egypt)	HP	X	X	X	X	
Lychnis chalcedon.	Maltese Cross	Mary's Rose	HP	X				
Lychnis coronaria	Rose Champion	Rose of Heaven	HP	X	X			X
Lychnis viscar. spl.	GermanCatchfly	Mary's Rose	HP	X				
Lythrum salicaria	Loosestrife	God's Blood	HP	X				
Malva alcea	Mallow	The Virgins Bread	HP	X		X	X	
Malva moschata	Mallow, Musk	St. Simeon's Herb	HP		X			X
Malva sylvestris	Mallow, High	O. L. Cheeses	HP					X
Matricaria inodora	Matricary	Mary's Flower	HHA	X				
Melissa officinalis	Lemon Balm	Sweet Mary	HP	X				
Monarda didyma	Lemon Balm	Sweet Mary	HP	X	X	X	X	
Myotis alpestris	Forget-me-not	Eyes of Mary	HHA	X	X	X		
Myosotis scorpoides	Forget-me-not	Eyes of Mary	HP	X	X			
Nepeta cataria	Catnip	Mary's Nettle	HP	X	X			X
Nymphaea alba	Water Lily	Lady-of-Lake	HP					X
Ocimum basilicum	Basil, Sweet	Holy Communion Plt	HHA	X				
Origanum majorana	Marjoram, Sweet	Mother-of-Gods Fl	HHA/HHP	X				
Paeonia officinalis	Peony	Pentacost Rose	HP		X			
Papaver orientale	Oriental Poppy	Crucif.BloodDrops	HP	X	X	X		
Passiflora incarn.	Passion Flower	Passion Flower	HP		X			
Petunia hybrids	Petunia	Our Lady's Praises	HHA				X	

Phalaris arundinac.	Canary Grass	Our Lady's Ribbons	HP	X			
Phlox paniculata	Phlox, Summer	Christs-Cross Flr	HP	X	X		X
Polemonium caerul.	Jacob's Ladder	Ladder-to-Heaven	HP	X	X	X	
Polygonatum sp.	Solomon's Seal	Mary's Seal	HP		X	X	
Primula elatior	Oxlip Primrose	O. L. Candlestick	HP		X		
Primula veris	Cowslip Primrs	Our Lady's Keys	HP		X		
Pulmonaria sacchar.	Bethlehem Sage	Mary's Milk Dropd	HP		X	X	X
Pulsatilla vulgaris	Pasch-flower	Easter Flower	HP	X	X		
Rosa sp.	Rose	Mary's Flower	HSh			X	X
Rosmarinus officin.	Rosemary	Rose of Mary	HSh	X		X	
Rudbeckia hirta	Blk-eyed Susan	Golden Jerusalem	HP	X	X		X
Ruta graveolens	Rue	Herb O'Grace	HSh	X			
Sagina subulata	Pearlwort	Mary's Grass	HP	X		X	
Salvia officinalis	Garden Sage	Our Lady's Shawl	HP	X	X	X	X
Santolina chamaec.	Lavender Cotton	St. John's Plant	HSh	X	X		
Saponaria officin.	Bouncing Bet	O. L.by-the-Gate	HP	X	X		
Scabiosa atropurp.	Pincushion Flwr	O. L. Pincushion	HA	X	X	X	X
Sedum acre	Wall Pepper	Our Lady's Hair	HP	X			
Sisyrinchium angust	BlueEyed Grass	Blue-Eyed Mary	HP	X			
Solidago canadensis	Goldenrod	Heavenly Glory	HP	X	X		
Spiranthes odorata	Ladies-Tresses	Our Lady's Tresses	HP				X
Stachys lantana	Lamb's Ear	Our Lady's Fingers	HP	X			
Syringa vulgaris	Lilac	Pentecost Flower	HSh			X	
Tanacetum vulgare	Tansy	Jesus-Wort	HP	X	X		
Teucrium chamaedrys	Wall Germander	O.L. Bite (marks)	HP	X		X	
Thalictrum aquileg.	Clmb Meadowrue	Holy Spirit Plant	HP			X	
Thalictrum clavat.	Meadow Rue	Lady-Rue	HP		X		X
Thymus serphyllum	Creeping Time	Mary's Bedstraw	HP			X	X
Thymus vulgaris	Thyme	Virgin's Humility	HP	X			
Tradescantia virgin.	Spiderwort	Mary's Tears	HP	X	X	X	
Trifolium repens	White Clover	Mary's Bedstraw	HP	X			
Verbascum thapsus	Mullein, Great	Our Lady's Candle	HB		X		
Veronica longifolia	Veronica	Our Lady's Faith	HP		X		
Veronica officinal.	GroundVeronica	O.L.Resting Place	HP		X		X
Viola odorata	Violet	Our Lady's Modesty	HP	X		X	
Vinca minor	Periwinkle	Virgin Flower	HP		X		
Yucca filamentosa	Adam's Needle	Adam's Ndl,Thread	HHP	X		X	

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