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Lowthorpe
GROTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Lowthorpe is the oldest school of Landscape Architecture for women
in the country and since its foundation in 1901 the gardens have served
as a laboratory wherein the students consider the idiosyncrasies of
growing plants and master the technique of their culture. This calls
for the cultivation of the unusual as well as of that which is familiar to
appreciative gardeners and the training in methods of propagation
creates, as a by-product, surplus stock which, in past years, has added
to the beauty of many a garden designed by our graduates. Present con-
ditions permit us to offer an equal opportunity to a wider circle of those
who also enjoy the allure of the unfamiliar.

As a garden is developed through the years, interest becomes con-
centrated upon novelties and wee alpines for the rock-garden. This has
been the case at Lowthorpe. We grow no plants in quantity but visitors
may select the finest of delphiniums or take home pot-grown plants of
rare alpines which, with their tap-roots, resent transplanting from the
open ground. We grow many plants, far more than are listed, and we
are glad to share the surplus with other gardeners.

Terms. A discount of 10% is allowed on all orders of more than $20.00
or on orders from Landscape Architects. Make checks payable to Low-
thorpe and address all inquiries to L. L. Hetzer, Groton, Mass.

Visitors are welcome throughout the season but, owing to the re-
quirements of school concerns, we reserve the right to refuse delivery
of plants at inconvenient hours and suggest that appointments be made.

LIST OF SURPLUS PLANTS FOR THE GARDEN AND ROCK GARDEN

Alyssum saxatile compactum. Yellow flowers in mad profusion,
the foliage hoary gray; Apr., 1 ft. .25

Androsace lanuginosa. “Prostrate shoots of pure silver, with ver-
benalike heads of soft rose-lilac” in July; plant in full sun in
light sandy soil; 4 in. .50

Anemone pulsatilla. The Pasque Flower, with large purple cups
and equally effective fluffy seed vessels; May to July; 9 in.
per 10—$3.00 .35

The fall flowering A. japonica and hupehensis are best plant-
ed in the spring.

Arenaria caespitosa. A star-swaned moss for crevices; 1 in. .25

Arenaria montana. A delightful trailler with inch-wide cups of
white; June, 6 in. .30

ARABIS—ROCKCRESS

Easily grown, spring flowered perennials with thick mats of foliage,
indispensable for even the beginner's rock-garden.

Arabis alpina fl.pl. Spires of double white blooms; 6-8 in. .30

“ rosea Softest pink to deep rose, attractive hues; .40

Arabis mollis. A rare native with flat green mats and frail spires
of white; May-June; 8 in. .40

Asperula odorata. The Sweet Woodruff makes a good ground cover
in shade; May-June; 6 in. per 10—$2.50 .30

Artemesia frigida. A woody native with much divided leaves of
silky white; most attractive as a trailer over rocks or as a
mown edging. — .40
Artemesia glacialis. With a similar charm in its shimmering silver-whiteness but more suited to the rock-garden; 4-5 in. 

Aubretia. Mats of grayish foliage and sheets of violet, rose, and lavender. They dislike our summer droughts and winter wet but prove one of the most colorful of our early flowers; May, 6 in.

CAMERULA—BELLFLOWER

A large and varied family that ranges from the familiar Canterbury Bells to the rare little C. bellardii, a true alpine with its little blue-roofed towers on slender stems. The Bellflowers often have a slender grace but their real value lies in their June to August bloom.

C. bellardii (pusilla). In both white and ash-blue; July-Aug., 6 in. 

C. carpatica. In both blue and white; for garden edgings; June-Sept. 

C. garganica. Starry blooms form a perfect mound; July-Aug., 6 in.

C. persicifolia. Both in blue and white makes one of the most graceful and useful of perennials for June-July bloom; 3 ft. 

Tellham Beauty is a selected form with saucer-shaped flowers of china blue; 4 ft. 

Crotanudifolia. The dainty Scotch Harebell, blue lavender; 1 ft. 

C. turbinata. Often confused with C. carpatica; large saucer-shaped cups of china blue, each on its slender erect stem; July. 

Cerastium tomentosum. White wooly mats studded with white in June. 

Cheiranthus allioni. The vivid orange wallflower that, if not allowed to seed blooms the summer through. 

DELPHINIUM CHINENSIS. Whether in white, true light or dark blue, or purple few perennials give a finer show of bloom from June till fall; 2-4 ft. per 10—$2.50

DELPHINIUM WREXHAM STRAIN. Our young flowering plants of both this and the splendid Blackmore & Langdon strain offer a wide selection of color. The modern delphinium with its big single or double flowers ranging from china-blue and mauve to deepest purple is a revelation to those who have not seen these latest products of the breeder’s skill.

Blackmore and Langdon Strain. 1.00

DIANTHUS—PINKS

The Pinks are dwarf, summer flowering perennials of tufted or mat-like growth, sun-lovers and easily grown particularly if transplanted when small.

D. Allwoodi. Seedlings of Miss Gladys Cranford, one of the new ever-blooming hardy carnations and most popular in England. 


D. caesius. The Cheddar Pink with blue foliage and rose pink, fragrant flowers; June, 8 in. 

D. deltoides. Green mats with white or intense pink flowers; June-July, 6 in. 

D. plunarius. The Clove Pink is the thing for edgings; June, 8 in. A selected silvery pink form of unusual charm. 

Dicentra eximia. A rosy Bleeding Heart with feathery foliage; May-Sept., 10-12 in. 

Digitalis ambigua. A pale yellow perennial foxglove; 30 in. 

Doronicum plantagineum. A daisy-like yellow flower in bloom with the late tulips; 20 in. per 10—$3.50
Draba aizoides.  Miniature pin-cushions of green studded in April with heads of yellow; 4 in. per 10—$3.50 .40
Draba cuspidata.  Tight rosettes with wider heads of yellow; 4 in. .40
Euphorbia corollata.  Sprays of small white flowers and foliage that turns a brilliant vermillion in the fall; 30 in. .25
Gentiana detonsa.  A rare and difficult species from the Hima-layas, akin to our native Fringed Gentian. .50
Leontopodium.  The Edelweiss with woolly stars of silver. .10
Linum narbonense.  Flax; of a rich blue hue. .10
Mazus pumilis.  A dense running carpet starred with lilac lipped flowers, fascinating but tricky; 1 in. .40
Mentha requienii.  A microscopic jewel; not very hardy; 1 in. .25
Moos PENNY DAISY.  A Shasta Daisy with frilled petals of real grace; 30 in. .50
Nepeta macrantha.  The compact greyed tufts and dark spikes of lavender form an even finer edging than N. mussini; 8 in. .40
Papaver nudicaule.  The Iceland Poppy varies from white, thru yellow, to a glowing orange; May-Sept., 12 in. .30
P. PILOSUM.  Apricot cups on branching stems; all summer; 18 in. .10
P. ORIENTALE.  These never-to-be-forgotten monster poppies from the Orient are best planted in September; early June, 3 ft. GLOWING SCARLET per 10—$2.00 .25
Cherry, Soft Pink, or the dark Parkmanni per 10—$2.50 .30
A few plants only of the 1924 introduction Lulu A Nealey (German) at $5.00 each. .40
Penstemon pubescens.  Like a lavender Snap-dragon, July, 18 in. .30
PENNSTEMON TORREYI.  Tall wands hung with coral bells, one of the loveliest of July flowering perennials; 3 ft. .30
Phlox divaricata.  A selected strain of the Wild Sweet William, cool blue with the fragrance of a lily; May. 12 in. per 10—$2.00 .25
Platycodon.  The Balloon Flowers come in white, ash-blue and purple, welcome hues in the August garden. 2-3 ft. .30
Polenonium reptans.  A good ground-cover for semi-shade, the flowers a clear pale blue; May, 10 in. per 10—$2.00 .25
Potentilla Miss Willmott.  Rich crimson flowers like miniature roses; May-Sept., 15 in. per 10—$3.00 .40

PRIMULA—PRIMROSE

The Primroses are one of the joys of spring in a damp partially shaded site. They seem perfectly hardy but care must be taken that they do not succumb to drought.

P. auricula.  Stalwart heads of imperial Chinese yellow, plum, or lavender. .40
P. dentificalata.  Globes of lavender and white in earliest spring; 8 in. .40
P. farinosa.  Silvery rosettes and delicate soft-pink flowers with a twinkling yellow eye; a rare and most delightful Alpine; May, 6 in. .40
P. japonica.  An excellent species to naturalize in a moist place, flowers of many colors on 18 inch stalks; June-July. .30
P. Polyanthus hybrids.  Slenid plants grown from a number of the best English strains; May, 8 in. per 10—$2.50 .30
P. Sieboldi.  Altho seed was purchased of P. cortusoides the plants are undoubtedly P. Sieboldi with crumpled leaves and wide heads of bloom in almost every color; June, 18 in. .40
P. veris.  The English Cowslip needs no recommendation. .30
Salvia pratensis.  Deep violet spikes in June-July, 2-3 ft. .30
Saponaria ocymoides.  A trailer with showers of pink in late May. .30
**Saxifraga decipiens.** Mossy in growth but hidden in May by the pink or white blooms; 4 in. $0.10

Scabiosa caucasica. Soft lilac-blue, an excellent cut-flower. per 10—$2.50 $0.30

**SEDUM—STONECROP**

The Stonecrops are a large and varied race of easiest culture and indispensable for the hot-dry rockery. Some like S.lydium are mossy, others like rupestris trailing, and still others like the pink and gray ewersi tufted in growth.

We offer low growing sorts, 10 named, for $2.50; our selection, unnamed, 50 for $5.00.

Silene alpestris. Shining tufts and white stars; 6 in. $0.10

" schaff. Rose pink flowers spring from the cushion-like rosette; Aug.-Sept., 5 in. $0.30

Statice latifolia. A misty cloud of lilac-blue in August; 30 in. $0.30

Thymus serpyllum. A fragrant creeper; 2 in. $0.25

" lanuginosus. A gray woolly carpet; 2 in. $0.25

" vulgaris. The Lemon thyme, a vivid green; 4 in. $0.25

Tunica saxifraga. Delicate tufts of misty pink; summer; 8 in. $0.30

Valeriana officinalis. The Garden Heliotrope; May-June, 3-4 ft. $0.25

Veronica incana. Silver mats and violet-blue spikes; July, 10 in. $0.30

" longifolia subsessilis. Intense deep blue spikes; Aug., 3 ft. $0.30

" prostrata. A violet-blue mat; May, 4 in. per 10—$2.50 $0.30

" rosen. A pale pink-lavender. $0.30

" teucrium. Blue-purple; June, 18 in. $0.25

**VIOLA—VIOLET**

The violets are a varied family, all low-growing but very variable in habit and flower. First come the true violets with tufted growth and one season of bloom, then V.cornuta, the Tufted Pansy, everblooming and carrying its star flowers high on slender stems. The so-called Violas are miniature pansies, with rounder blooms than V.cornuta and a more compact growth. Both are ideal as bedding plants or for edgings. With the Grecian V.gracilis we have a less round flower combined with grace and delicacy of growth.

**The True Violets**

V.cucullata. Rampant, with long-stemmed purple blooms; May, 12 in. $0.25

V.cucullata bicolor. White tinted lavender. Either, per 10—$1.50 $0.25

Vodorata. Very fragrant and very early, a real joy. $0.25

Purple, white, or lilac. per 10—$2.00

**The Tufted Pansies**

V.cosniaca. A treasure with blooms of vinous rose-mauve. $0.40

V.cornuta. Soft lavender-blue; 8 in. $0.25

" Papilio. Lavender butterflies of bloom. $0.30

V.tricolor. Ladies Delights and always welcome. per 10—$1.50 $0.25

**Bedding Violas**

Our selection, mixed. per 10—$2.50 $0.40

V.Apricot. Quite the loveliest and well-named. $0.40

V.Hazlemere. Pale pinky mauve, a joy to the garden painter. $0.40

V.H.J.Hornung. A selected reddish-lavender form. $0.40

V. Iutea splendidens. Velvety yellow, a free bloomer. $0.30

V. White Perfection. Glistening white. $0.30

**The Grecian Violets**

V.gracilis Ipswich. A new acquisition, 6 in. $0.10

" lutea. A creamy citron-yellow. $0.40

" Purple robe. A royal black-purple of great intensity. $0.40