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Floral & Gift Ideas as Fresh as our Flowers!

Welcome:

I discovered a new rose variety last week, the color of which reminded me of a Tequila Sunrise - mostly orange with hints of pink. Unlike most florist roses, this one had a scent. I love when I get surprised like that. Like everyone, most of my day is routine - cleaning buckets, processing flowers, deliveries, paperwork - and that's great for peace of mind and stability. That softly scented rose however, reminded me that, now and then, it's nice to get surprised. Here's hoping that your surprises are welcome ones!
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Flower of the Month: Mini Callas!

Mango and Passion Fruit. Sounds like the beginnings of a great summer salad, right? Could be, but in the flower world these are two of the vibrant varieties of mini calla lilies. This native of South Africa, where it grows commonly along the roadside, is actually not a lily, but belongs to the Araceae family which includes anthurium, philodendron, and dieffenbachia. Mini Callas are available in colors ranging from white to almost black (which is actually a dark purple).



These unique flowers are simple & contemporary when cut short and massed, or elegant & clean with their stems left long and angled to extend gracefully over the lip of a vase.

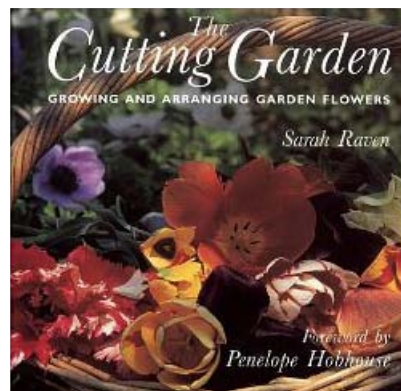
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Mini Calla Lilies are used for wedding focal flowers: as boutonnieres, in bridal bouquets, in wedding reception table vases, and as cake decorations.

Book Review: "The Cutting Garden!"

In this extremely beautiful and practical book, Sarah Raven, a British "flower arranger to the rich and famous, presents gorgeous color photos of her own cutting garden in Sussex.

Personal, clear, well organized, and direct in her writing style, she begins with tips for laying out a cutting garden to provide flowers throughout the year and goes on to discuss cultivation, cutting, conditioning, and basic arranging principles. She then suggests truly stunning flower



arrangements for each season, indicating instructions, equipment, plants, and methods for each.

The final section is a catalog of Raven's favorite cutting flowers and foliage arranged by season and color, including illustrations to scale and conditioning and cultivation requirements. This book provides a wealth of information and inspiration.

While the flower selections are suitable to northern zones, the principles can be adapted by gardeners in all climates. **Note: review by Amazon**



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“Whispers From the Flower Fields”



"Give me odorous at
sunrise a garden of
beautiful flowers
where I can walk
undisturbed."

Walt Whitman

Thanks a bunch for picking Hydrangea Bleu!!



TIPS & TRICKS FOR MINI CALLAS

Vase life 4 to 8 days.

The sap of a freshly cut calla will stain clothing, with the stain appearing after Laundering.

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“Aged Terra Poppy Planters:

Beautifully shaped in the form of a poppy seedpod, these English-style planters have all the warmth and charm of hand-thrown, wood-fired terra cotta. No two of these handmade pieces are exactly alike. They have been aged to perfection in a misty greenhouse until they acquire the appealing look of old English pottery. The moss is real, and it will continue to grow and deepen in color after the pots are planted and watered. When not planted, avoid exposing your mossed pot to prolonged sunlight.



In cold climates, the terra cotta pots should be brought indoors with the first heavy frost.

Earth-friendly containers for a sustainable world.

These attractive planters are made of renewable grain husks and last up to 5 years under normal use. They are resistant to freezing and thawing damage and have excellent heat-insulating characteristics resulting in outstanding root development and over all plant performance. Drainage holes are pre-drilled. Matching “non-sweating” saucers come with the pots.

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