

2019 GCV Daffodil Collection

“By the Numbers--Continued”

Last year's collection of five cultivars was chosen to illustrate the first five Divisions of daffodils. This year's collection continues through the divisions with samples of Divisions 6,7,8,9, and 11. Why no Division 10? The GCV Collection is for Standard daffodils but most Division 10 daffodils are miniatures. They are the Bulbocodium or “Hoop Petticoat” daffodils. The more than 30,000 daffodil varieties are organized into categories based on their proportions and genetic origin. There are thirteen divisions in the current classification system. The attached handout from the American Daffodil Society has details about each of the divisions. Knowing the divisions helps when reading bulb catalogs so that you have a better idea of what a variety will look like. Favored growing conditions vary some with division. The division number is also useful when showing daffodils. This year's GCV collection varieties are ‘Orange Comet’, ‘Beautiful Eyes’, ‘Geranium’, ‘Actaea’, and ‘Smiling Twin’.

The collection may be ordered as a set from Brent & Becky's Bulbs at a cost of \$21 plus tax and shipping for three bulbs of each variety. Order as Item # 47-0155 (2 copies of the order form are attached). The individual varieties may also be found from other bulb sources such as Scheepers, McClure & Zimmerman, Colorblends, etc.

If you have any questions or comments, please e-mail me at hickmanderm@aol.com

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**ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION**

For garden purposes, daffodils are classified in thirteen divisions. Division number indicates form, while letters indicate color. For example, 2 Y-YYO is a large-cupped daffodil, all yellow except for an orange rim; 1 W-Y is a trumpet daffodil with white perianth (petals) and yellow corona (trumpet).



Division 1
Trumpet Daffodil Cultivars
One flower to a stem; corona (trumpet) as long as, or longer than, the perianth segments (petals)



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Division 2
Large-cupped Daffodil Cultivars
One flower to a stem; corona (cup) more than one-third but less than equal to the length of



Division 3
Small-cupped Daffodil Cultivars
One flower to a stem; corona (cup) not more than one-third the length of the perianth segments (petals)



segments of the corona or both

Division 4
Double Daffodil Cultivars
One or more flowers to a stem, with doubling of the perianth



two or more pendent flowers to a stem; perianth segments reflexed

Division 5
Trianarous Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of *N. trianarous* clearly evident: usually



one flower to a stem; perianth segments significantly reflexed; flower at an acute angle to the stem, with a very short pedicel (neck)

Division 6
Cyclamneus Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of *N. cyclamneus* clearly evident:



Jonquilla or Apodanthi clearly evident: one to five (rarely eight) flowers to a stem; perianth segments spreading or reflexed; corona cup-shaped, funnel-shaped or flared, usually wider than long; flowers usually fragrant

Division 7
Jonquilla and Apodanthi Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of Sections



twenty flowers to a stout stem; perianth segments spreading, not reflexed; flowers usually fragrant

Division 8
Tazetta Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of Section Tazettae clearly evident:



clearly evident; perianth segments pure white; corona very short or disc-shaped, not more than one-fifth the length of the perianth segments; corona usually with a green and/or yellow center and red rim, but sometimes wholly or partly of other colors; anthers usually set at two distinct levels; flowers fragrant

Division 9
Poeticus Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of the *N. poeticus* and related species



usually one flower to a stem; perianth segments insignificant compared with corona; anthers dorsifixed (i.e. attached more or less centrally to the filament); filament and style usually curved

Division 10
Bulbocodium Daffodil Cultivars
Characteristics of Section Bulbocodium clearly evident;

Division 11
Split Corona Daffodil Cultivars
Corona split—usually for more than half its length



a) Collar Daffodils
Split-corona daffodils with the corona segments opposite the perianth segments; the corona segments usually in two whorls of three



b) Papillon Daffodils
Split-corona daffodils with the corona segments alternate to the perianth segments; the corona segments usually in a single whorl of six

Division 12
Other Daffodil Cultivars
Daffodil cultivars which do not fit the definition of any other division.



Division 13
Daffodils Distinguished Solely by Botanical Name
All species and wild or reputedly wild variants and hybrids

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Described below is the daffodil collection for 2019. This year’s selections are samples of Divisions 6-11 daffodils. The special characteristics of each variety are detailed with their pictures. Look on the American Daffodil Society’s site www.DaffSeek.org for more photos and information about each. (Pictures from DaffSeek).



‘Orange Comet’ 6 W-YYO As a Division 6 (Cyclamineus) daffodil, this has a single flower per stem, strongly reflexed petals, a down-facing pose, and a short neck. It is an early-midseason bloomer bred and introduced by Brent and Becky Heath in 2014 but not yet registered.



‘Beautiful Eyes’ 7 Y-O This is a Division 7 (Jonquilla and Apodanthus) daffodil. Division 7 daffodils are the true jonquils. They commonly have one to five florets per stem and are fragrant. ‘Beautiful Eyes’ blooms in mid-season and was registered by Brent Heath in 2004.



‘Geranium’ 8 W-O This is a familiar Division 8 daffodil found in many old gardens. Division 8 (Tazetta) daffodils usually have three to twenty florets on a stout stem and are very fragrant. ‘Geranium’ has won several awards as a good garden daffodil. It was hybridized by J. B. van der Schoot of the Netherlands and registered before 1930. Because it was registered before 1940, it is classified by the American Daffodil Society as an Historic daffodil.



‘Actaea’ 9 W-YYR Division 9 daffodils (Poeticus) and may be called “poets” because they are similar to the species daffodils *Narcissus poeticus*. They usually have a single flower per stem with pure white petals and a very small, disc-shaped cup. Most have a fine red rim at the edge of the cup. Many are late bloomers, but ‘Ornatus’ may bloom mid-season before most poets. Hybridized by G. Lubbe and Son of the Netherlands, it was registered before 1919 so is an Historic daffodil.



‘Smiling Twin’ 11a W-Y Division 11 (Split-Corona) daffodils have cups that are divided into sections, usually 6 sections and may have one or more florets per stem. ‘Smiling Twin’ was hybridized by Brent Heath and registered in 2003. As the name suggests, it usually has two florets per stem. It blooms mid-season to late.

GCVA 2019 Collection - Item # 47-0155

The following 'By the Numbers Collection' makes up the 2019 GCVA collection:

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N. 'Actaea' (9W-YYR); and N. 'Smiling Twin' (11a W-Y)

1. All collections will have 3 of each item packaged and labeled individually.
2. Each participant may order individually, with friends or as a club.
3. Each collection will cost \$21.00. So 1 = \$21.00 or 10 = \$210.00.
4. All collections need to have a 5.3% sales tax added.
5. If one, two or three collections are ordered together (\$21, \$42 or \$63), the shipping charge is \$7.00.
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7. Please order EARLY - it is possible for the bulbs to run out - and we can't make more!

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