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Nature & Beauty Continue to Carry On

Happy Summer from our flower fields! We are in the thick of summer here on the farm with the constant hum of harvesting, packing, delivering and arranging flowers. Although this summer looks a little different than other summers, we are as busy as ever. The flowers and veggies did not get the memo on the pandemic and are growing just as vigorously!

Throughout the growing season, I take lots of notes on varieties, colors, mistakes and lessons learned in my "Next Year" notebook. In theory one of these years I'll have it all figured out....but I highly doubt that will happen with the inevitable variability of each season's weather and market changes. Armed with each year's notes, I compile my list of things to plant again and things to drop. The list fluctuates as it is a constant process of assessment and adjustment. One thing I prioritize each year is trying a few new colors or varieties. Some years most of them are a bust, but some years



I find a few gems that make the list for next year. I'll share a few of my favorites that I trialed this year, and spare you the details on the flops :)

Snapdragon 'Costa Silver'

We grow a lot of snapdragons in the spring, planting four successions to get us a constant supply of snaps through June. I have my 3 reliable varieties that I plant every year, although 'Costa Silver' caught my eye and I immediately knew I had to try them. A dreamy light pink/blush tone with strong sturdy stems. Blush is a very popular spring wedding color, so I am happy to add these beauties to my list!

Hibiscus 'Mahogany Splendor'

I saw mention of this hibiscus on another flower farmer's social media and felt like I was living in the dark without this burgundy beauty! Grown for its foliage, 'Mahogany Splendor' is a beautiful rich burgundy with sturdy stems. It seems to love the heat and is growing vigorously the more we cut it.

Zinnia 'Mazurkia' and 'Macarenia'

I am a sucker for trying new zinnia colors and noticed these right away. They both have strong sturdy stems and add a fun punch to bouquets and arrangements.

I would like to extend a big and heartfelt THANK YOU to all of our flower share customers! I am so grateful for your support and enthusiasm for flowers! This year especially we are all in need of a little boost of joy, and I hope our flowers bring a ray of sunshine into your lives. Amidst the uncertainty and chaos, nature and beauty continue to carry on!

- Melissa



Beautiful
'Costa Silver'
Snapdragon.



The littlest
helper at
Wild Hollow -
in the
'Mahogany
Splendor'
Hibiscus.



Brilliant
'Mazurkia'
Zinnia.



Bright & bold
'Macarenia'
Zinnia.

PLUS ITEM THIS WEEK
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Apple Jam

