STEMS FOR ALL SEASONS

Locally grown, in-season flowers guarantee the freshest blooms for your wedding. Here are your best bets for spring, summer, fall and winter "I dos."

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A time of rejuvenation and rebirth. The melting frost brings about a bevy of fragrant and colorful blooms.

$\left\{ \text{Price by Stem} \right\}$

\$ 1-2 dollars a stem \$\$ 3-4 dollars a stem

\$\$\$ over 5 dollars a stem

1 Garden Rose

Long considered a symbol of beauty and love, roses are widely available and come in almost every color.

COLORS red, cream, yellow, orange, pink and purple

PRICE \$\$\$

2 Dahlia

Dahlias are great for centerpieces—they have no scent so they won't compete with your menu. COLORS shades of pink, purple, red and orange PRICE \$\$

3 Lisianthus

Each stem has multiple blossoms and buds, plus serious lasting power. COLORS pink, purple, white and green PRICE \$\$

4 Zinnia

The daisylike bloom is perfect for casual garden arrangements. It can also stand up to hotter temps.

COLORS white, chartreuse, yellow, orange, red, purple and lilac

PRICE \$

5 Foxglove
Bell-shaped flowers

add a delicate note to bouquets and centerpieces. **COLORS** white, pink and various shades of purple

PRICE \$

6 Stock

Dense clusters of soft petals pack a serious punch. Stock also has a spicy, clovelike fragrance. COLORS pastel shades from cream to lavender PRICE \$

7 Chocolate Cosmos

A fragrant addition to a bouquet, this sweet-scented bloom smells like candy.

COLOR red-brown

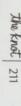
PRICE \$

8 Heuchera

Wiry stems with tiny blooms are a great choice for just-picked arrangements, and give texture and visual intrigue.

COLORS pink, purple and deep red

PRICE \$









Nature's Bounty

"Late summer is my favorite season to design in-our fields are bursting with flowers in July and August. There are so many blooms to choose from, giving me total creative freedom," Benzakein says.

1 Astilbe

Densely packed astilbe has a feathery, wildflower look. It's a hearty stem, great for boutonnieres or for a touch of texture in a rustic or romantic bouquet. COLORS white, pink, mauve and crimson PRICE \$

2 Mock Orange

Despite having "orange" in its name, this fragrant flower blooms white. But its scent is thought to resemble that of orange blossoms. COLOR white PRICE \$

3 Clematis

This flower grows like a vine, with carefree twists to its stems. The blossom has delicate petals and an eye-catching center. COLORS purple, pink, blue violet and cranberry PRICE \$\$

4 Garden Rose

The big-headed blooms on these stems are perfect for making a bold statement or adding romance to an arrangemen COLORS red, cream, yellow, orange, pink and purple PRICE \$\$\$



Autumn bridges summer and winter, bringing about cooler temperatures alongside colorful leaves.

- 1 Crabapple
 Hearty branches can
 add texture and height
 to centerpieces. The mini
 "apples" range in color
 from green to red as
 the season progresses.
 COLORS green and red
 PRICE \$
- 2 Raspberry
 For a pop of color in an
 arrangement or the perfect
 finishing touch on a
 naked cake, try a late
 summer branch of berries.
 COLOR red
 PRICE \$
- 3 Dahlia

There are over 42 species of this native Mexican stem, all striking in color and shape. **COLORS** shades of pink, purple, red and orange **PRICE** \$\$

- 4 Strawflower
 These Australian-native
 blooms are ideal for drying
 and work best in undonelooking arrangements.
 COLORS white, pink,
 red, yellow and purple
 PRICE \$
- 5 Nasturtium
 This sweet-smelling,
 vinelike flower has a
 pretty, whimsical quality.
 COLORS cream,
 yellow, orange and red
 PRICE \$
- 6 Pee Gee Hydrangea
 The cone-shaped
 hydrangeas turn pinkish
 with age on the bush.
 Their delicate yet hearty
 petals add a romantic
 element to arrangements.
 COLORS white and pink
 PRICE \$\$
- 7 Honeysuckle
 These blossoms, filled
 with edible nectar, are a
 popular way to give
 a nice aroma to bouquets.
 COLORS white,
 pink, yellow and orange
 PRICE \$
- 8 Lily
 Large star-shaped lilies
 fill out arrangements with
 ease. Their sweet, floral
 fragrance is intoxicating.
 COLORS white, pink,
 yellow, peach and lavender
 PRICE \$

There's something special about being able to incorporate ephemeral flowers that bloom just once per year into a bridal bouquet."



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The coldest months of the year bring about frost and snow, but also stems bold in color and rich with texture.

- 1 Love in a Mist
 One of the few blue florals, this buttercup bloom has threadlike leaves, giving it personality and intrigue.

 COLORS blue, white, pink and lilac

 PRICE \$
- 2 Sweet Pea
 A delicate flower
 with a rich fragrance,
 each stem has a
 cluster of flowy petals.
 COLORS white, pink,
 yellow, red and purple
 PRICE \$
- 3 Poppy Pods
 These structured seedfilled pods add an element
 of whimsy to rustic
 bouquets and wild, undone
 floral arrangements.
 COLOR green
 PRICE \$
- 4 Forget-Me-Nots
 Incorporate a "something
 blue" in your bouquet
 with forget-me-nots. The
 soft petals give volume too.
 COLORS blue, purple,
 pink, white and yellow
 PRICE \$
- 5 Honeywort
 Named after its honeylike
 scent, these inch-long tube
 petals cascade beautifully in
 bouquets and centerpieces.
 COLOR purple-blue
 PRICE \$
- 6 Hydrangea
 This romantic flower
 has clusters of tiny
 blooms that come together
 to create a stunning,
 big-headed blossom.
 COLORS white, green, pink,
 blue, purple and cranberry
 PRICE \$\$
- 7 Bachelor Button
 Its name makes it
 a well-suited stem for
 boutonniere. This cas
 flower has a button he
 and is actually edible.
 COLORS white,
 pink, blue, magenta
 PRICE \$

