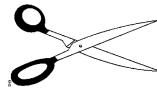
Duchesse de Nemours Peony



Huge fragrant blooms great for cutting!





Paeonia lactiflora 'Duchesse de Nemours'

- <u>Use:</u> Peonies are classic garden plants that add a bit of nostalgia and charm to the garden. Their fragrant blooms and lush foliage have made them popular for years, and with the recent resurgence in breeding, they will continue to improve. Peonies are simple to grow and can be utilized in many ways, including mass plantings, specimens, or hedges.
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Full sun–light shade shade (a little afternoon shade preferred); Water regularly, when top 3" of soil is dry. Use slow release fertilizer twice a year. Once established needs only occasional water.
- Growth: Grows 24-30" tall and 24" wide.
- Hardiness: Zone 3-8; Perennial
- Foliage: Deciduous. Lobed leaves may go dormant in hot summers.
- **Flowers:** Fragrant, milky white, globe-shaped blossoms with green carpels and a yellow center glow are produced profusely in late spring. This double variety has particularly attractive foliage and strong stems.
- <u>Tips</u>: Plant them shallow, mulch in the summer, take off the mulch in the winter, and they prefer a little afternoon shade. Cold winters will ensure lots of blossoms so plant them where they will get cold in the winter. Do not cut flowers the 1st year off bush. It takes 7 years for a shrub to truly heat it's peak peony production. (Typically we sell 2-3 year old plants)

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