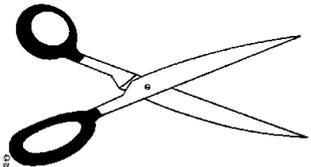


Kansas Peony



**Huge fragrant
blooms great
for cutting!**



Paeonia lactiflora 'Kansas'

- **Use:** 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.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun–light shade shade (not deep shade); Water regularly, when top 3” of soil is dry. Use slow release fertilizer twice a year. Once established needs only occasional water. Adding a little lime to soils helps. Planting in red clay or in wet areas is a death sentence.
- **Growth:** Grows 24 to 30 inches tall.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-8; Perennial
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. Lobed leaves may go dormant in hot summers.
- **Flowers:** Features very large, rose-shaped, double blossoms richly packed with watermelon red petals that keep their intense coloring and do not fade in the bright sunshine. Finally, Peonies make superior cut flowers, lasting more than a week if cut in full bud.
- **Tips:** 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.

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