



## FALL INTO FLOWERS

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## Seasonal Flower Guide



What do we mean by seasonal flowers?

Much like fruit and veg, different types of flowers are at their best at different times of the year. You may have noticed that daffodils, for example, only come up in the spring. Peonies on the other hand are at their best early to mid-summer.

Whilst it has become increasingly possible to source out-of-season flowers, if you want them at their best – make sure they're in season. Not only will they likely be of higher quality, but they will also smell better, and will generally look far nicer!

Here's a quick guide to seasonal flowers.





# Spring

Spring is a season characterised by sudden bursts of colour after a long winter. Daffodils start popping up everywhere you go, and street corners are covered in the soft pink and white flowers of blossom trees. From magnolia to apple and cherry blossom, one of Spring's greatest highlights is the abundance of gorgeous blossom, the branches of which can be used for an array of floral displays.

During this season, we're also blessed with a rainbow of tulips, roses, ranunculus, lilac, and hellebores. Tulips and daffodils inject some bright and joyful colours into the season's colour palette and are popular choices around Easter. The pale and pink pastel tones of the various blossoms on offer often dictate the colour palettes of events and weddings too. You'll also find gorgeous fritillaria, lily of the valley, and anemone.





## Summer

The different stages of the British summer provide a constant variety of flowers, as those who bloom best in the late summer take over from those whose prime lies in the earlier months.

Peonies in particular are an early summer show shopper and are always a popular choice, coming in a variety of fabulous shades. We can see why – their irresistible pink and cream tones allow this flower to shine on its own or in a bouquet. This season also offers hydrangeas, delphiniums, dahlias, roses, and chrysanthemums for some joyful sparks of colour. Indeed, the colour and energy of the British summer are mirrored in the flowers available.

The great range and colour of the flowers that bloom during the summer season often encourage brides to get married during these warmer months.







## Autumn

After a bright and vibrant summer, Autumn's seasonal flowers offer a more relaxed feel that ties in with the general mood of the season.

Many of late summer's flowers are still available, like roses and dahlias. Marigolds, Cosmos, Chinese lantern flowers and chrysanthemums are also still in bloom at this time, whilst queen Anne's lace brings an element of countryside wildness.

Autumn also offers great foliage options as the leaves start to turn that iconic golden hue. Crab apple branches, with their small 'apples' make the perfect addition to floral arrangements, as do rosehips, snapdragons, and various grasses. This season is also ideal for berries. The versatile varieties can be added to bouquets or tablescapes. As Autumn gets deeper, you can play around with various dried foliage and plants as the weather gets colder.





## Winter

The British winter is normally associated with rain, cold, and snow – not with flowers. However, you may be surprised to learn that the season still offers us some truly beautiful flowers like hellebores and skimia.

Around Christmas, you may have seen a red leaf-like plant called a poinsettia. Winter roses and some amaryllis varieties are available before the frost comes, whilst snowdrops break out just before spring.

Heather offers some gorgeous purple tones, while berries like hypericum continue to transfix with their array of pink, green, red, and white hues.

Much like autumn, there is plenty of foliage around including evergreens like pine which offer gorgeous scents, or holly.

So, no matter the season, there is plenty on offer.