

ECHINACEA 2022

Varieties, description and culture.....



Please Note: We are selling most of our Echinacea in the summer the prior year; this list may only reflect what is carried over, and numbers may be limited on some varieties.

- Artisian Red Hombre** **New** \$10.99 / 24" tall / bushy plants are topped with red blooms that fade to rusty orange. Available later in June.
- Artisian Soft Orange** **New** \$10.99 / 24" tall / Golden-orange blooms mature to medium-pumkin orange. Forms a bushy, mum-like mound. Available later in June.
- Cheyenne Red** \$9.99 / 28" tall / 3.5" wide blooms start out scarlet-red before fading to watermelon red. We have found this strain to be the most dependable in our trial beds. Always showing color whether it is deadheaded or not.
- Cheyenne Spirit** \$4.99 / \$9.99 / 20-30" tall / 3.5" wide blooms in a mix of colors of red, orange, purple, yellow and white. Compact plants with sturdy well-branched stems. We try to keep these in stock all summer.
- Compact Dark Rose** **New** \$10.99 / 16" tall / Bushy mounds with rose-purple blooms occurring earlier than typical purple coneflower varieties. Available later in June.
- Coral Craze** \$10.99 / 28" tall / 5" coral pink blooms command attention from a distance. Purple stems and dark orange cones. Bushy, well branched clumps bloom all summer.
- Hot Papaya** \$10.99 / 36" tall / Florescent orange outer petals droop giving away to the fluffy bright orange centers. Color does not fade. This vigorous double is a proven performer locally.
- Magnus** \$8.99 / 32" tall / Improved purple coneflower with large flowers of rich carmine color and horizontal petals. Very free blooming with sturdy stems. 1998 Perennial Plant of the Year.
- Pow Wow Wild Berry** \$4.99 / 20-24" tall / Deep rose purple blooms to 3-4" across are non-fading. Blooms well the first year planted. Compact habit with excellent branching. Blooms till frost, even without deadheading.
- Purple Emperor** \$10.99 / 18" tall / A petite selection of our native coneflower with rich vivid-pink blooms, with the petals being larger in proportion to the cone. Very compact and well-branched.
- Sombrero Lemon Yellow** **Improved** \$10.99 / 22" tall / Saturated yellow petals surround copper-orange cones. Compact with dark green leaves and an everblooming habit.
- Sombrero Salsa Red** **New** \$10.99 / 24" tall / Abundant blooms of orange-red with a golden-brown cone. Available mid-June
- Sombrero Sangrita** \$10.99 / 22" tall / Blooms start off orange before turning to red. Dark foliage.

Echinacea Culture: Coneflowers are at their best in full sun and well-drained soil. Their long taproot stores water, giving them the ability to withstand periods of drought once they are established, although blooming will suffer if allowed to go too dry. Allow new plantings to dry slightly before soaking them again. Only fertilize as needed, as Echinacea resent too much nitrogen (The first number on the fertilizer listing). Too much fertilizer may kill young plants. A half strength application of a balanced fertilizer in the spring is typically all that is needed, although the newer hybrids seem more tolerant as long as they are actively growing. All Echinacea start blooming early-mid summer and look and re-bloom best if they are deadheaded regularly. The old seed heads may be left for winter, however, as the seed is relished by finches and provide some architectural winter interest.