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# Horticulture

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## BALL HORTICULTURAL

Founded in 1905 as a wholesale cut-flower business, Ball Horticultural Company ([ballhort.com](http://ballhort.com)) has grown to become a leader in all facets of floriculture. Their new varieties are hardy as well as beautiful. Ball also promotes sustainable practices in gardens all over the world.

### 3D African daisies

*Osteospermum ecklonis* 3D 'Purple', 'Pink' and 'Silver'. These cultivars' button-like blooms don't close at sunset, as other osteos' do. They bloom best in cool weather, making them ideal for spring and fall containers. Full sun. Annual.

### 'Ballerina Lilac' sea thrift

*Armeria pseudarmeria* 'Ballerina Lilac'. Lilac is the newest color in Ball's Ballerina armeria series. The compact, uniform plants produce cushions of grassy foliage and globular blooms. A low-maintenance plant that delivers excellent first-year garden performance. Grows 8 to 10 inches tall and wide. Full sun. Zones 7-9.



## BLOOMS OF BRESSINGHAM

In addition to breeding their own new varieties and cultivars, Blooms of Bressingham ([bloomsfobressinghamplants.com](http://bloomsfobressinghamplants.com)) has been recognized as a leader in identifying and selecting the finest of perennials for almost 100 years.

### 'Seabrook's Lavender' vervain

*Verbena* 'Seabrook's Lavender'. This low-growing vervain was discovered by British gardening journalist and broadcaster Peter Seabrook. Clusters of lavender flowers bloom from June until late September on low, wide plants. They're easy to care for and can withstand drought conditions. Full sun. Zones 8-10.

### 'Pretty Lady Diana' anemone

*Anemone hupehensis* Pretty Lady Series 'Pretty Lady Diana'. Breeder Yoshihiro Kanazawa created this compact fall-flowering series of Japanese anemones. Featuring showy masses of large, pink blooms, this anemone is as reliable and sturdy as it is lovely, reaching just 16 inches tall and 24 inches wide. Full sun to part shade. Zones 5-9.

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**BURPEE**

With their famous seed catalog, Burpee's highly recognized horticulturists ([burpee.com](http://burpee.com)) have been continuously bringing innovation to the seed market since 1881. New varieties are a specialty.

**Archangel angelonia**

*Angelonia angustifolia* Archangel Series. Plants in the Archangel series boast big blooms, vibrant colors and glossy, dark green foliage. They stay strong even in extreme heat, humidity and drought, blooming all summer long. Full sun. Annual.

**Wasabi coleus**

*Solenostemon scutellarioides* Wasabi ('UF0843'). This is one Wasabi you can't have too much of! Durable and rugged, its brilliant chartreuse leaves hold up in sun or shade without fading or spotting. Annual.



**COLORBLENDS**

Colorblends ([colorblends.com](http://colorblends.com)) is a family-owned business that provides pre-blended mixtures of tulips that combine two, three or more varieties for gorgeous spring shows.

**Cakewalk tulip blend**

An easy, incredibly beautiful, and foolproof tulip blend of white, gold and deep purple. Blooms mid- to late spring. Plant five bulbs per square foot in the fall at a depth of five inches. Full sun. Zones 3-7.

**Magmatism tulip blend**

An irresistibly warm blend of red, orange and yellow tulips. Bulbs bloom in mid-spring. Plant five bulbs per square foot in the fall at a depth of five inches. Full sun. Zones 3-7.