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DESCRIPTIVE STRAWBERRY
PLANT CATALOGUE OF
5,000,000
Perdue's Best Quality
Strawberry Plants

GROWN AT
Perdue's Strawberry Plant Farm
C. S. PERDUE, Proprietor
SHOWELL - MARYLAND
THE STRAWBERRY A PROFITABLE CROP

The first strawberries shipped to Northern markets in 1921 were made about the first of May and commanded high prices. It is said the first crate sold for $19.20, which is equivalent to 60 cents a quart. Prices were high all through the season. It pays to raise strawberries for market and where this cannot be done everyone should at least have a plat in the home garden so you can have all the strawberries you want picked fresh from the vines, as they are the most delicious of all fruits.

Note the clipping from the Philadelphia North American, Sunday, April 10th, 1921: "'When one has a strawberry plat one does not bother much about how it would feel to be without it. Perhaps tho one does wonder why everyone does not have a plat. How much it means to the table and profit if you like to grow strawberries is evidently little realized. One of the easiest crops to grow, to harvest and to dispose of, strawberries show a handsome profit in sections even quite distant from high priced markets. Cost of production is low at 6 cents a quart picked and delivered to the nearest town by wagon, truck or express, profit is quite apparent at a rate enjoyed by few other crops. For the home garden a plat 20 x 30 feet will supply the table of a family of four with a real treat just as nature made it—fresh, clean and wholesome. Strawberry plants are set out in spring, the locality governing the exact date, well-tilled soil well enriched; a soil that holds moisture is best suited for strawberries and yet there are few sections in which they will not give crops that show profit. Best crops are produced when they are mulched with straw in the fall (a
mixture of rye and wheat straw is excellent) and it serves two purposes: protection against winter lifting in freezing and thawing and clean large berries.’’

I have been in the business of growing strawberries for market for 25 years and have had several years experience in growing and shipping the plants. I make a specialty of growing and shipping strawberry plants. I do not grow any other kind of nursery stock and can therefore give my personal attention to the digging and preparing the plants for shipment. I have about 5,000,000 Perdue’s Best Quality Strawberry Plants to offer the trade for the season of 1922, my prices are low and you cannot get better plants no matter where you get them. They are well cleaned and tied in bundles of 25 plants each and carefully packed so as to reach my customers in the very best of condition. My Plant Farm is located on the P. B. & W. Railroad which gives me excellent shipping facilities to all shipping points in this country.

Note the testimonials on other pages in this catalog. I would be pleased to receive your order for I know you will be one of my regular and satisfied customers. It does not matter if your order is for 1,000,000 or 100 plants I can fill it promptly and satisfactorily. May I have your order for strawberry plants?

Very respectfully,

C. S. PERDUE.

Washington Co., Ohio, May 21, 1921.

Dear Sir:

The 200 Progressive strawberry plants arrived in good condition, roots moist. Thank you for extra plants.

S. L. Canfield.
INSTRUCTIONS TO PATRONS

Special Low Express Rates. I am able to send plants by express to any part of the country at 20 per cent. less than merchandise rates over each company. I have the American Railway Express Company.

Write Your Name And Address Plainly. Be particular to say how goods are to be shipped, whether by express or parcel post. No charge made for package and delivery to the R. R. Company.

Time of Shipment. I can ship to Southern customers during mild weather at any time after you receive this catalog, and I can usually ship to Northern customers until the first of May. Do not order plants during the summer months. I do not grow potted plants.

True to Name. While I exercise the greatest care to have every plant true to name, I will not be held responsible for any sum greater than the cost of the stock should any not prove as represented.

Claims, if any must be made on receipt of the goods. I cannot become responsible for floods, etc., also for stock that is allowed to lie around your station or postoffice or for neglect of purchaser to care for stock after it has been received. I send out only good stock in good condition and carefully packed.

Remit. By Post Office Money Order on Showell, Md., or Bank Draft, Check, or Registered Letter.


Dear Sir:

The 4,000 plants arrived today in good condition. Thank you for prompt attention.

Chas. Wunsch.
Order Early. Do not wait until you want the plants. All orders acknowledged as soon as received.

Terms. Cash with the order.


A Certificate of Inspection from our State Entomologist and State Pathologist will be attached to each and every shipment of stock.

Dear Sir:
Those plants I got from you are doing fine and nearly every plant lived; they were fine and I will speak a good word for you.

J. W. Miles.

Waldo Co., Maine, May 20, 1921.
Dear Sir:
I received the plants all right and they were in fine condition. They are nice plants—much better than those which some of your high priced competitors put out at twice the cost. Thanks for generous count.

E. A. Partridge.

Hamilton, Va., Apr. 25, 1921.
My Dear Sir:
Strawberry plants were all O. K. I thank you for your promptness in shipping, also for your liberal count; plants were in fine condition. If you treat all your customers as you have me, your future business success is assured. I expect to plant several thousand next year and will want Perdue's big crown heavy-rooted plants. Wishing you success

J. B. Milbourne.
C. S. Perdue's Strawberry Plant Farm.

DESCRIPTION OF VARIETIES

KLONDIKE. (Early.) This is the standard early berry and is extensively grown in this section of the country and is a fine early variety for most all sections of the country, being a good grower of large and healthy plants that produce a good crop of large size bright red berries very firm and of fine quality. A good shipping kind, also well liked by many for the home garden as it continues in bearing through a long season. Send me your orders for them; I have a large and fine stock of Klondyke plants.

Kent Co., Del.

Dear Sir:
The plants you shipped me were fine. They had fine roots.

Jas. L. Harmstead.
MISSIONARY. (Early.) Another one of the standard early kinds that is extensively cultivated in the South. It is also liked by strawberry growers in most all sections of the country. Makes more plants than Klondyke; plants are vigorous and healthy and bear large crops of very large size berries of bright red color, very firm and good quality. A good shipping variety and a good one for the home garden. I have a large stock of Missionary plants—send me your order for them.
SENATOR DUNLAP. (Mid-season.) This is one of the best if not the very best mid-season variety; will do well on most any kind of soil, the plants are not as large as some other varieties but have good roots and make a fine fruiting bed. Berries are dark red color, medium size, excellent flavor. One of the very best kinds for the home garden and it is extensively cultivated in some sections of the country for market.

Warren Co., N. J., May 1, 1921.

Dear Sir:
I received your plants in good condition and they certainly look very nice.

Geo. Pels.
GANDY. (Late to very late.) A standard late variety in all parts of the country and extensively cultivated here in this section for shipping purposes. A good plant maker, plants are fair size with good roots and are exceedingly vigorous. The very best late kind. Berries are very large size, very firm, bright red color, extraordinary selling qualities, it never fails to bring the price and is easy to grow. For profit plant Gandy. I have more than 1,000,000 Gandy plants—send me your order for them. My stock of Gandy plants is fine.

Lancaster Co., Pa., Oct. 8, 1921.

Dear Sir:
The strawberry plants I got from you are doing all right.

Jacob C. Rinehart.
AROMA. (Late.) A highly recommended kind for the Middle West, also for planting on dry soils. It is very popular in many parts of the great strawberry growing sections of the country. A good plant maker. Berries are large size, very firm, bright red color and excellent flavor with handsome green caps which make the fruit show up good in the package. Send me your orders for Aroma plants.

Lansdale, Pa., May 4, 1921.

Dear Sir:
The strawberry plants shipped May 2nd reached here May 3rd. We are very much pleased with them; they were extra nice plants. The plants received two years ago are doing fine and making good.

Edward Schrepple.

Portage Co., Ohio, Apr. 5, 1921.

Dear Sir:
The plants received in good shape. They are very nice plants.

Chas. Young.
PARSONS BEAUTY. (Mid-season.) This is one of the very best of the mid-season kinds, being tremendously productive of very large size bright red berries of an excellent quality. A good market berry also fine for the home garden. Makes lots of plants and will grow on most all kinds of soil. For the home garden or for market plant Parsons Beauty. They are extensively cultivated in this section of the country for canning or preserving.

Albright, W. Va., Apr. 28, 1921.

Dear Sir:
The plants came through a flying. Parcel Post is the way to get plants; they were in fine shape. Your plants are all right.

N. Sigmann.
PROGRESSIVE. (Fall Bearing.) The very best of all fall bearing varieties, leading them all on account of its good yielding qualities. They should be set out in good rich soil and given good applications of manure. They will bear a few weeks after plants are set and continue to bear until freezing weather. They are hoed, fertilized and cultivated just as other varieties. It will pay you to plant Progressive everbearers and enjoy some of the best strawberries you ever ate.

Note clipping from *Farm and Home* of Aug., 1921: "Small Bed Worth While. I bought 100 everbearing strawberry plants last spring and as soon as frost was out of the ground I set them two by three feet apart, first having the ground well spaded and heavily dressed. I planted each plant so the roots were well spread out and I raised every one. As I cleaned the hen house I put the hen dressing between each root. I kept all buds and blossoms picked off until July 1st and in about six weeks I was picking ripe berries; the last I was Sept. 28th, when I picked enough to fill six sauce dishes. For $2.00, the amount I paid out, I feel well repaid for the berries I received. Mrs. James E. Dunnell, Maine."
BIG JOE. (Joe Johnson.) (Mid-season to late.) Makes enough plants for a good fruiting bed, plants are very large, exceedingly vigorous and healthy, makes more plants than the well known Chesapeake variety and I consider it much better in every respect. The berries are extremely large size, bright red color, firm, excellent flavor, bright green caps which make the berries very attractive and adds to the selling price. A popular shipping variety also good for fancy local market purposes and for the home garden. For profit plant Big Joe—it will please you.

Fayette Co., Pa., Apr. 6, 1921.
Dear Sir:
Received the plants in fine condition. We are very much pleased with them.

E. E. Bower.
Dear Sir:
Received the plants in A No. 1 condition. Thanking you

John Leppert.
NICK OHMER. (Mid-season.) *Plants all sold.* This one is a profit maker and one of the very best of the mid-season varieties. Plants are very vigorous and healthy and make enough plants for a good fruited bed that bears a good crop of really fancy berries, bright red in color, very firm, large size and excellent flavor. For profit plant Nick Ohmer.

Greenville, W. Va., Apr. 19, 1921.

Dear Sir:

I was much pleased with the plants you sent me.

Lewis Larew.
SAMPLE. Imp. (Mid-season.) A good mid-season variety that is well liked by strawberry growers in many parts of the country. One of the healthiest and strongest growers of plants that make an ideal fruiting bed. Berries are very large size, bright red color, fine flavor and extremely productive. A good one for a home market or garden—too soft for shipping. The blossoms are imperfect and must be planted with some staminate variety such as Parsons Beauty or Big Joe.

Buncombe Co., N. C., Apr. 5, 1921.

Dear Sir:

Please ship me rush 1,000 Big Joe plants. The others came all right and fine.

O. M. Rogers.
C. S. Perdue’s Strawberry Plant Farm.

**PRICE LIST**
**BY EXPRESS OR PARCEL POST—RECEIVER TO PAY CHARGES**

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I can ship parcel post C. O. D. at above prices, receiver to pay parcel postage on receipt of plants, or

If plants are wanted by parcel post, prepaid, add to above price list.

- First and Second Zones—15c per 100, 20c per 250, 30c per 500, 50c per 1,000, $2.50 per 5,000 plants.
- Third Zone—25c per 100, 45c per 250, 60c per 500, $1 per 1,000, $5 per 5,000 plants.
- Fourth Zone—35c per 100, 55c per 250, $1 per 500, $2 per 1,000, $10 per 5,000 plants.
- Fifth Zone—40c per 100, 75c per 250, $1.50 per 500, $3 per 1,000, $15 per 5,000 plants.

Washington Co., Md.

Dear Sir:

I received plants all O. K. and am pleased with them. Thanking you for nice plants.

H. E. Rohrer.
Showell, Maryland.

All plants shipped by parcel post will be packed in baskets to insure them reaching customers in good condition. They will carry better than if wrapped in paper for shipment. It will be cheaper to have plants sent via express especially in lots of more than 1,000 plants in 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th zones. If requested, I will quote parcel postage on small lots of plants in 6th, 7th and 8th zones.

NOTE. Those marked (P) are pistillate and must be planted near some perfect flowered sort. The above prices are net. Please do not ask for any discount from above prices, the prices given per 1,000 or 5,000 or as the case may be are for that quantity of one variety and not for an assortment. To illustrate: I offer 5,000 Aroma plants for $17.50, whereas if 5,000 plants of five different varieties are wanted, they must come under the 1,000 rate.

Customers trying to place orders for less than 5,000 plants of one variety at the reduced prices for 5,000 will find upon receipt of their plants that the quantity has been cut down to conform with the money sent.

Franklin Co., Ohio, Apr. 30, 1921.

Dear Sir:
The plants came to us in fine condition; my husband was delighted with them. I met a lady on a street car this week who I found was very much interested in fruit, especially strawberries. I said "Now do not send to some one who will send you poor plants" and I told her how nice ours were and done up so good—every plant was safe. Wishing you every success.

Mrs. Wm. Brown.
C. S. Perdue's Strawberry Plant Farm.

Date of Order: 1922

C. S. PERDUE, Showell, Md.

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NOTE—Early in the season I usually have in stock everything listed in this catalog but late in the season I frequently run short of some of the varieties, therefore, when you order late please state whether I shall substitute equally as good and as near like the variety as possible or return your money for any stock I may be out of. Answer.
HOW I GROW STRAWBERRIES

I plow the land as early as weather conditions will permit after the first of March and mark out the rows 3½ feet apart with a potato planter which makes a list slightly above the level of the land; the plants are set out in the rows about 12 to 15 inches apart. The important thing is to get your plants set with all the roots straight in the ground and soil packed firmly around the plant. I begin cultivation at once and keep plants clean of weeds and grass until late fall when I usually have a fine stand of plants. Do not use any commercial fertilizer on them until a few weeks after they are set out; I then make 2 or 3 applications at different times when plants are not wet from rain or dew by broadcasting about 500 pounds per acre of raw bone meal or any other good brand that does not contain any potash as it might injure the plants. Of course, I always grow cow peas on the land previous to planting strawberries as strawberries need a soil full of humus. Barnyard manure will also furnish the humus for them where cow peas are not grown. Most all strawberries are grown by the matted row system, that is to leave about all the runners on the parent plant to take root and make a wide row, leaving enough room in the alley between the rows for the convenience of the pickers.


Dear Sir:

I received plants on Mar. 24 in good shape; fine plants and good number too. Those Big Joe plants I got last year look fine and I expect a good big crop by the looks of the patch.

Mrs. John Ash.
C. S. Perdue's Strawberry Plant Farm.

To Whom it May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 12th day of August, 1921, we examined the Nursery Stock of C. S. PERDUE, growing in his nurseries at Shrewsbury, County of Worcester, State of Maryland, in accordance with the law of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 289, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection from the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellows, Pear Blight, and other dangerous injurious pests and plant diseases.

This Certificate is valid after August 12th, 1922, and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

Ernest N. Cory, State Entomologist.
C. F. Temple, State Pathologist.

College Park, Md., Oct. 4, 1921.

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