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Bring summer indoors: British Garden Centres' best cut flowers to grow this year

As the spring season blooms and garden enthusiasts eagerly anticipate the vibrant colours and fragrances that fill their spaces, the team at British Garden Centres have some great suggestions on the best cut flowers to grow. These stunning blooms not only will stun outdoors but when cut, will ensure your indoor space is bursting with vibrant colours and delightful scents, bringing summer into your home.

Peonies: Renowned for their extravagant, lush blooms and captivating fragrances, peonies are a firm favourite among flower enthusiasts. With their wide range of colours and long vase life, peonies are a must-have for any cutting garden.

Alliums: Add a touch of whimsy and architectural interest to your floral arrangements with alliums. These unique flowers boast spherical blooms in shades of purple, blue, and white, making them a striking addition to bouquets and centrepieces.

Dianthus: Known for their delicate petals and sweet fragrance, dianthus, also called "pinks", are a classic choice for cut flower gardens. Whether used as filler or focal blooms, dianthus adds a romantic and charming touch to any arrangement in a vase or bouquet.

Roses: No list of cut flowers would be complete without the quintessential English bloom and timeless beauty of roses. With their intoxicating scent and exquisite petals in all shades of colour, roses are a symbol of love and elegance. Varieties such as hybrid tea roses and floribunda roses are ideal for cutting and arranging in vases.

Dahlias: Celebrated for their vibrant colours and impressive variety of blooms, dahlias are a show-stopping addition to any floral display, indoors. From pompon to dinner plate varieties, these versatile flowers offer bloom for long periods ensuring you have a fresh supply of cut flowers for months on end and are perfect for creative arrangements in a vase or bouquet, guaranteed to stun in the home.



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Salvia: Add a pop of colour and texture to your cut flower arrangements with salvia. With their long spikes adorned with tiny flowers in shades of blue, purple, pink, and red, salvias bring a touch of the wild to any display indoors and are loved by pollinators outdoors.

Lilies: Revered for their graceful form and intoxicating fragrance, lilies are a classic choice for both gardens and cut flowers. Whether you prefer the elegance of Oriental lilies or the boldness of Asiatic varieties, lilies are sure to make a statement in an indoor centrepiece.

Sweet Peas: Sweet peas are beloved for their delicate appearance and sweet fragrance. These charming flowers come in an array of pastel hues and produce an abundance of blooms that are perfect for cutting. Sweet peas thrive in the UK climate and can be grown up trellises or fences while providing you with an abundance of blooms for your vases.

Julian Palphramand, Plant Buyer at British Garden Centres said: "At your local British Garden Centres store, the staff are passionate about helping gardeners of all levels cultivate beautiful spaces, whether it be in containers or borders. We have highlighted our favourite cut flowers that are not only stunning in the garden but also perfect for creating breathtaking floral arrangements to enjoy indoors."

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About the business:

British Garden Centres (BGC) is the UK's largest family-owned garden centre group with 62 centres around the country. The group is owned and led by The Stubbs family, who also own and operate Woodthorpe Leisure Park in Lincolnshire.

BGC was launched in 1987 with the opening of Woodthorpe Garden Centre by brothers Charles and Robert Stubbs. Since 2018 it has expanded rapidly with the acquisition of 50 garden centres allowing it to grow from its heartland to the business it is now with 62 garden centres spread from Carmarthen to Ramsgate, Wimborne to East Durham. The group has a team of 2,700 colleagues working across the garden centres, restaurants, 2 growing nurseries, 4 distribution centres, Woodthorpe Leisure Park, and Woody's Restaurant & Bar.

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