

THE ART OF BUYING FLOWERS

Yes, there is an art to buying flowers without spending a fortune for something you aren't sure is right for the occasion. Lately, women and men alike not only seem to enjoy the spontaneity of flowers, but the fact that you know what is involved in putting together a nice arrangement without being ostentatious. Try something other than the basics, like carnations or roses. For instance, a strand or two of mini-orchids or Peruvian lily with a sprig of baby's breath and one or two fern leaves, make for a memorable and reasonably priced arrangement. A sunflower will always brighten somebody's day.

Discuss with the florist that you would like something different for around \$10.00 or \$15.00 and you may be surprised at the selection available to you. Pick a couple of favourite flowers and then leave it up to the florist to make an enticing bouquet. Watch carefully as to how it is put together for future reference.



Despite what some might think about the stigma of buying flowers for guys, many men like flowers, too! Presented in a vase he can call his own, any flower choices are sure to delight.

Note: Be careful about buying roses on a warm or hot day if you plan on walking around a lot. Even though you can buy them with the end of the stems in small vials of water, they are a delicate and easily damaged flower that if bruised would disappoint your friend. Instead, select a more durable flower that can be enjoyed for a couple of days.

BUYING THE RIGHT ROSE FOR THE RIGHT OCCASION

Roses represent many thoughts and occasions.
Here is a list to ensure a befitting presentation.

- RED ROSES

Say “I Love You!” They also stand for respect and courage.

- WHITE ROSES

Are given to those you adore. They convey reverence, humility, innocence and purity.

- YELLOW ROSES

Are celebrations of life and reflect joy. Appropriate for new mothers.

- CORAL & ORANGE ROSES

Expresses enthusiasm and desire.

- PINK ROSES

Embody grace and gentility.

Use Medium Pink to say “You’re Lovely”

Deep Pink to say “Thank you” and Light Pink to convey admiration.

All pale colored roses stand for friendship.

- RED AND YELLOW ROSES

Together symbolize unity.

- YELLOW AND ORANGE ROSES

Mixed, stand for passionate thoughts.

- PINK AND WHITE ROSES

Arranged together are a sign of enduring love.

- THREE RED ROSES

Say “I Love You!”