# Garden flowers for Arrangements 

## Conditioning Flowers

- Use Clean buckets and vases
- Use clean sharp clippers
- Harvest in the coolest parts of the day
- Take a bucket of water with you into the garden
- Harvest at the proper stage
- Remove leaves on stems
- Cut at 45-degree angle to increase surface area for water absorption
- Make a cut up the stem 1 inch from the bottom on woody stems
- Put hydrangea stems in 3 inches of very hot water and count to 30 , then put in cold water up to their heads. Or put the end of the stem in alum and then in cold water.

Flowers for a Cutting Garden
Aster
Astrantia
Black-eyed Susan (Rudbeckia Hirta)
Blazing Star (Liatris)
Bulbs
Calla lilies
Celosia
Coneflower (Echinacea)
Cosmos
Daffodil
Dahlia
Delphinium

## Gladiola

Hydrangea
Hellebore
Iris
Ornamental Onion (allium)
Peony

## Ranunculus

Rose
Salvia
Shasta Daisy
Solomon Seal
Sunflower
Sweet pea
Tulip
Yarrow
Zinnia

## Recipe for floral preservative

1 liter Water
1 tsp. Bleach
1 tsp sugar
2 tsp. lemon or lime juice
Add approximately 1-2 Tbsps. to each liter of water

