Charles White Peony





Huge fragrant blooms great for cutting!

Paeonia lactiflora 'Charles White'

- <u>Use:</u> Charles White enjoys an elegant form & beautiful fragrance. It is tall enough to be at the back of a border. A hugely popular cut flower as well. Peony flowers sell for \$5+ a stem at the store in the short season available at florists so having them at home is a real treat to cut in your garden.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Prefers full sun for 6+ hours for best flowering. Although somewhat drought tolerant, they perform their best in rich soils with even summer moisture. By the end of summer, they will start to go summer dormant, so don't be alarmed by foliage turning yellow, then brown.
- **Growth:** Grows 3 feet tall and wide. Will reseed possibly.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 3-8; Perennial
- <u>Foliage</u>: Deciduous. Compound deeply lobed leaves. Vigorous, tall & durable foliage.
- **Flowers:** Crown-type double, lightly fragrant, early bloomer. Large outer petals surround white bomb with a glow of yellow from inside.
- <u>Tips</u>: Plant them shallow, mulch in the summer, take off the mulch in the
 winter, and they prefer a little afternoon shade. Cold winters will ensure
 lots of blossoms so plant them where they will get cold in the winter and
 stay cool in the summer.

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