

Welcome to Carter's Daffodils - 2020

My growing philosophy is to create healthy new varieties for show and garden.

A bit of history

2008-2009 – Made seeds by hybridizing but seeds did not sprout until the pots were tossed into the garden. At the time I was growing mostly garden-variety box store bulbs. I've since upgraded.

2010 – 60 successful crosses – 5 selected blooms in 2015 did not bloom in 2016.

2011 – 157 successful crosses – 1 selected bloom in 2015. Learned better parents make better kids.

2012 – 88 successful crosses – Started using higher quality pollen, Hawaiian Skies, Pacific Ring.

2013 – ~ 400 varieties used as parents – Purchasing Oakwood (John Reed USA) bulbs, 82 successful crosses – Fell in Love with Millennium Orange and used a lot of its pollen. 1st 2013 bloomed with Mill Orange pollen. It's a beautiful 2Y-P of show quality form.

2014 – ~ 500 varieties - lost 100 or so varieties due to some potted bulbs getting frozen. Started building raised beds for all my parents and seedlings.

2015 - Purchasing Reed and Ringhaddy (Nial Watson N. Ireland) bulbs, started importing bulbs from Graham Phillips (New Zealand) 105 successful crosses, Lots of Hot Lava 2O-O pollen used in crosses.

2016 – ~600 varieties – Successful Div 3 crosses. Oh Wow and G-Day pollen used generously

2017 – ~700 varieties. Dug my 2010 and 2011 hybridized bulbs and ½ of my parental bulbs. Most have multiplied but are not as productive as I had hoped. Most are being re-planted in Oct. The ones grown in the lightest (peat moss, and sand mixed in with the native soil) have done the best.

2018 – ~800 varieties. Dug many of my NZ and Northern Ireland bulbs. Finding Northern Ireland bulbs do quite well here. They are multiplying and quite large and may be available in a couple of years. Made 6 successful Rockin' Goose crosses.

2019 – Growing ~1000 varieties. Thanks to Clay Higgins and Kirby Fong I was able to obtain many great bulb varieties that add to my gene pool. Kirby was able to purchase many varieties directly from John Hunter in NZ for me to turn around and use as parents. I made a record 450 crosses in 2019 with 250 making seeds. Finally moving my 2010 crosses to new beds in my back 40. Had to take out two acres of blackberries to create some new daffodil beds. So many (Likely too many) great crosses. I'm finding growing so many is getting to be a lot of work. Good thing I enjoy my Daffy's.

2020 – The year with the Corona Virus. It is forcing me to stay home and spend more time in the yard. Oh Darn. 450 crosses with 250 making seeds. I can see why this hobby is getting out of hand. Started getting my Master Gardener Certification so that has been fun. Part of the class was to take soil samples and determine what nutrients are in short supply. Turns out the wood ashes I add, added lots of Potassium but tests showed I was short on N and P. Decided to go with a high phosphorus fertilizer. That dramatically impacted the resulting bulb size. So, this year I am offering some exceptionally large bulbs. Also taking all my 2010 seedlings and planting alongside my road (Daffodil Terrace). They were not show quality but nice-looking garden varieties.

So what have I got to sell? Not a lot yet. As years go by, I will sell new hybrids and bulbs from my parental beds as they multiply as well as my baby's. My 2013/14/15 crosses are blooming and showing promise. For now, I have some newly registered Northern Ireland bulbs hybridized by Nial Watson and a new 1W-W breed by Graham Phillips of New Zealand. I'm tending to specialize in recently introduced varieties.

Carter's 2020 Daffodils Order Form

Due to limited supplies only two bulbs of each per customer

Name – Hyperlink to Daffseek below. Click link	Color Code	Year Introduced	Breeder	Country	Cost per Bulb	Number of bulbs ordered	Total Cost
<u>Rockin' Goose DN16</u>	20-O	2016	Watson	NI	\$45		
<u>Rockin' Goose DN14</u>	20-O	2016	Watson	NI	\$40		
<u>Rockin' Goose DN12</u>	20-O	2016	Watson	NI	\$35		
<u>Easter Chick DN14</u>	4Y-WWY	2017	Watson	NI	\$40		
<u>Easter Chick DN12</u>	4Y-WWY	2017	Watson	NI	\$35		
<u>Intermission</u>	3W-Y	2018	Watson	NI	\$40		
<u>Carols White</u>	1W-W	2016	Phillips	NI	\$35		
<u>Sunrise Fanfare</u>	2Y-YYO	2019	Watson	NI	\$45		
<u>Solar Vortex</u>	1W-O	2019	Watson	NI	\$50		
<u>Orange Tornado</u>	1W-O	2020	Watson	NI	\$70		
<u>Lemon Flounce</u>	4Y/W-WWY	2020	Watson	NI	\$45		
<u>Green Eyed Beauty</u>		2021	Watson	NI	Next Year		
<u>Hilary's Choice</u>	4W-O	2021	Watson	NI	Next Year		
<u>Total cost of bulbs before tax and shipping</u>							
						Tax 8.5%	
						Shipping	\$ 6.00
						<u>Total</u>	

Please email what you would like to Daffodilbill@outlook.com or

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in ASAP.

(I plan to ship bulbs 10/17 at the latest) so please get your orders

Once I receive your order I will respond via email to confirm your order. Because of the limited No. of Bulbs it will be 1st come 1st served. Once you receive a confirmation of your requested available bulbs please mail a check made out to Bill Carter at the address above. Sorry but I cannot accept credit cards and cannot ship outside of the USA. Check out Carter's Daffodils on Face Book



Easter Chick – A superb div 4. Won Blue in Div 4 in Dallas. Long lasting Blooms. Starts 4Y-Y then to 4Y-W/Y



Rockin Goose – One of the best 2O-O, Bender Award 2017 at Nationals



Intermission – A show stopper 2W-Y Intermediate



Carols White – The 1st 1W-W available in the US developed by Graham Phillips



Sunrise Fanfare – A great 2019 Nial Watson Introduction



Solar Vortex – A very popular 2019 Nial Watson Introduction



Orange Tornado – Breed and Grown in 2020 by Nial Watson – Won ADS Bender Award



Lemon Flounce – Breed and Grown in 2020 by Nial Watson - Plus pics of two of Nial Watsons 2021 introductions that will be sold by Carter's Daffodils Next Year. Green Eyed Beauty 3Y-YYO, and Hilary's Choice 4W-O.