



## Wedding Design Purchasing Guide

Thank you for choosing our beautiful, locally grown flowers for your upcoming wedding celebration. What an honour it is to be part of this incredibly special occasion.

### Who We Are & Why We Grow

On the 28 acre off-grid property in the forests of Conquerall Mills, Nova Scotia, Laura Besaw and her team grow beautiful, organic flowers. Cultivating about 600 different varieties it's a sheer passion to grow and design these exquisite plants for the local market. With a background in horticulture and landscape design Laura founded Meguma Meadows in 2017. The name Meguma was chosen to pay homage to her early teacher and plant nursery founder Henri Steeges. Meguma is the name of the geological formation of Nova Scotia's South Shore where the farm is located and the flowers grow within the beautiful hill top meadow.

We aim to bring awareness to and promote the production of local cut flowers. Like that of locally grown meat, vegetables and fruit it's crucial that we invest in local businesses that sustain our communities. We're bringing flowers back to people and back to nature by providing healthy plants grown without the use of harmful fertilizers and pesticides. Today's conventional flower market depends on blooms flown thousands of kilometres using of preservative sprays. We want to take on the challenge of growing those flowers here and in a sustainable way. We love what we do and we're sure that is expressed through our flowers.

### Cost

In order to reserve us to design your wedding flowers there is a 100\$ booking fee. This is not a deposit towards your order but a fee that confirms your date and reserves our flowers and time to serve you. E-transfer payment is preferred and once received consulting begins. A list at the bottom of this document provides general estimates of individual floral pieces. However after consultation these prices may vary depending on your vision and desired aesthetic. It is important to us that our flowers be accessible while maintaining a financially sustainable farm. We will work hard to create something beautiful for you within your budget.

Flowers must be paid in full before leaving the farm. This is likely wedding day.

## Pick-up & Delivery

Before wedding day, pick up or delivery arrangements will need to be made. We determine the details once your final order is we confirmed. It's often a good idea to appoint an attentive family member to take charge of flower delivery and dispersal so that there is less strain on the couple the day-of. We will provide you with a guide on how to care for the flowers once they are picked up.

## Equipment Rental & Vessels

Currently we provide three styles of table vases to our customers for rental. You are invited to provide your own vessels if you would like to customize and save on rental fees. Rented vessels must be returned the following day.

## Do-It-Yourself Buckets DIY

This is a great option if you or some members of your wedding party wish to create your own floral arrangements. This low cost option provides a growers choice of mixed blooms in bulk. All flowers are seasonal so you'll get the best of what's blooming in the fields. 50 stems per bucket for 100\$. More information on this can be found on the DIY bucket order form.

## Notes

It's very important that couples wishing to work with us understand that our flowers are all seasonal and locally grown using organic methods. We are not a conventional florist. We do not import flowers for your wedding designs. We grow a wide variety of species and cultivars to provide you with an eclectic selection. If you absolutely require a specific bloom, or foliage which is unavailable from the farm we will allow you to source your own and will work to incorporate these for you. We want to cater to you. That being said, we also wish to wow you with the power of locally grown!

## Photos

We always need photos of our work to build our portfolio. Please send us photos of your floral arrangements after the big day or put us in touch with your photographers. We also appreciate when you leave us a review either on Google or through email about your experience working with us. It helps us improve and lets others find us.

We're thrilled to be part of your big day and look forward to creating something beautiful with you.