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What's Special About Daylilies?

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Wasn't always impressed by daylilies!

Ditch Lilies
Hemerocallis fulva

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Stella de Oro Daylily
 Introduced in 1975 by Walter Jablonski, first re-blooming cultivar

NDSU Historic Daylily Garden

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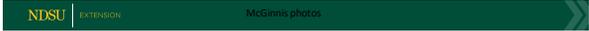


Daylilies ≠ Lilies

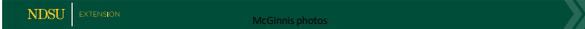
Daylilies: basal foliage



Flowers on leafless stems



Lilies: flowering stalk has leaves



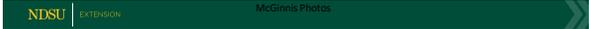
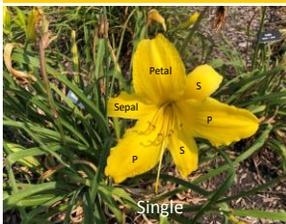
A DAYLILY FOR EVERYONE: 100,000 CULTIVARS



FLOWER FORMS



Single v. Doubles Extra Sets of Petals





Double
"Peggy Jeffcoat"
Diamond-dusted

Flower Forms and Subforms



Circular



Triangular



Spider



Star-shaped



Trumpet



Unusual Forms - Crisate

Fuschia
Fashion



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Unusual Form - Cascade



"Supergirl"

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Unusual Form - Spatulate



Ruby Spider
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Sculpted

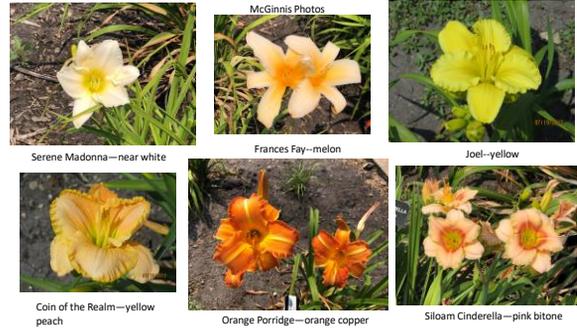


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COLORS

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New Colors

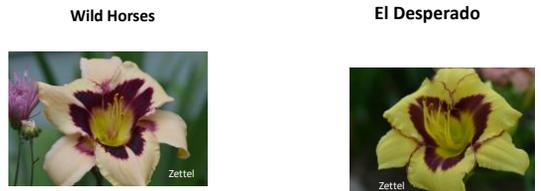


Blue



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Eyes



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Watermarks

New Every Morning



Fear Not



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Throats that come out onto the petals



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Eyes and edges with several colors

All Things to All Men



Rainbow Eyes



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Toothy



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McGinnis photos

Caring for Daylilies

- Full sun to part shade
- Well drained soils; may need to amend clay
- Fairly drought-tolerant
- Mulch
- Deadheading
- Reinvigorate by dividing



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Purchasing

- Best to buy varieties that you have seen blooming in a northern garden
- Look past the flower, look for bud count
- Look for branching, flowers are better displayed on many branches
- Dormant foliage for the most hardiness
- Has the variety won any awards? Gardens judges have chosen them.

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Region 1 Daylily Summer Meeting



- July 18-20, 2025 in Fargo
- Hosted by Central North Dakota Daylily Society
- Featured tour gardens
- Keynote: Dave Mussar from Hillside Daylilies
- Registration: <https://www.ahsregion1.org/>
- Under events

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NDSU Horticulture Research and Demonstration Gardens 25th Anniversary Celebration: July 29, 2025



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