

DIY BUCKET OF BLOOMS FOR WEDDINGS TIPS AND CARE SHEET

Thank you for purchasing your flowers from Homestead Flowers. These flowers come already conditioned, so they are ready for you to make up into bouquets, buttonholes, and table decorations etc. Enjoy!

They will leave here in prime condition but will need a little care and attention after you have picked them up, until you are ready to use them. Please follow these tips to keep your flowers looking fresh and lasting for the duration of your event. If someone other than yourself is looking after the flowers then please show them this care sheet and check that they know how to look after them.

- ✓ Top the buckets up with fresh water as soon as you get them home, double check all the stems are submerged but don't make the water so high that it is reaching the flowers themselves.
- ✓ Put the buckets somewhere cool and ideally dark, a garage is ideal or if not possible then somewhere outside that is sheltered from the rain /wind or animals/foxes. If you have neither then indoors will be ok, but ideally keep the room as cold as you can.
- ✓ If you are transporting the flowers to the venue to make up your arrangements, keep them out of direct sunshine and somewhere cool. Any amount of direct sunshine is likely to cause your flowers to wilt. If travelling in a car for any distance at all, put on the air conditioning if you have it, and ideally use shading on the car windows (like the ones you use for small children) If any of your flowers look a bit sad after a hot journey, take them out of the bucket, recut the stems and put them in fresh cold water somewhere cool and dark and this will help them revive.
- ✓ If you are leaving the displays or the buckets overnight, choose somewhere cool and shut away from animals and small children. An open marquee is not ideal.
- ✓ Check the water levels in the buckets regularly until you come to use them, flowers drink an incredible amount of water.
- ✓ Please consider that every flower should be considered toxic and cause allergies in some capacity. Please wear gloves if you are unsure and please do not let children play with the flowers or let pets and children eat them! Do not use any of the flowers to decorate your cake unless you have spoken to me about this beforehand. I bear no responsibility for allergies, poisoning or other related episodes once your flowers have left my premises. (as per terms and conditions)
- ✓ **MAKING UP YOUR DISPLAYS.** This is the fun bit! Cut each stem at a 45-degree (slanted) angle to the size you need and always use fresh water. Make up amazing, beautiful creations knowing that your blooms have been grown without chemicals, not flown thousands of miles, and grown with love.
- ✓ Top tip! If you are displaying table posies outside, leave them indoors to the very last minute and then take them outside. They should last most of the day if it is sunny, however if it is scorching they might struggle.
- ✓ ENJOY! In the chaos of a wedding it is sometimes easy to forget to stop, sit back and look. Have an amazing day and I hope your flowers bring you much happiness 😊