



COMPANION *Flowers*



Beautiful Partners for Your
Dahlias & Cutting Garden



Grow Together. Bloom Together.





JUNE GUIDE



Flower Friends:

Companion Flowers We Love

At Flaming Acres Dahlias, our gardens aren't just rows of blooms — they're vibrant communities where different flowers work together, creating beauty, biodiversity, and a healthier growing environment. While dahlias are the stars of the show, their supporting cast of companion flowers play important roles in attracting pollinators, deterring pests, and adding variety to bouquets.

Here are some of our favorite dahlia companions — and why they deserve a place in the summer garden alongside your dahlias:



SUNFLOWERS

Colors: Creamy pale yellow, buttery gold, fiery orange, soft bronze, and deep velvet burgundy

- Sunflowers bring warmth, height, and joyful energy to the cutting garden. We love growing branching varieties because they keep producing blooms all season long. Their tall stems create beautiful structure behind dahlias and attract bees, butterflies, and other pollinators.
- From soft buttery tones to dramatic burgundy blooms with chocolate centers, sunflowers add bold contrast and late-summer richness to bouquets.
- Many varieties reach six feet or taller—perfect along fences or at the back of beds where they can stretch toward the sun without shading smaller plants.
- Easy to grow and wonderfully productive, sunflowers bring both abundance and personality to the summer garden.



ZINNIAS

Colors: Every hue, shape, and size imaginable

- Zinnias are among the most generous flowers—easy to grow, endlessly colorful, and overflowing with personality. We allow bees to freely cross-pollinate many of our zinnias and collect seed each fall for a garden full of surprises next year!
- Thriving in summer heat, zinnias bloom steadily from early summer until frost.
- Their cheerful flowers weave beautifully between dahlias, bringing playful texture, vibrant color, and an effortless cottage-garden feel.
- Some blooms are bold and dramatic. Others are soft and romantic. Together, they create a garden that feels alive with movement and surprise.



SWEET PEAS

Colors: Blush, lavender, cream, rose, and soft romantic pastels

- Sweet peas are the gentle romantics of the cutting garden, climbing trellises with delicate, butterfly-like blooms and unforgettable fragrance.
- Their soft colors and sweet scent add a nostalgic charm that beautifully balances the bold drama of dahlias.
- Perfect for bouquets—sweet peas add airy texture, romantic movement, and fragrance that you can feel.
- Their climbing vines provide lovely vertical interest, weaving through arches, fencing, and support structures.
- Gardens are not only meant to be admired—they are meant to be felt.



*More beauty.
More fragrance.
Harvest life in your garden.*



COMPANION PLANTING CREATES:



HAPPIER
POLLINATORS



HEALTHIER
PLANTS



MORE BEAUTIFUL
BOUQUETS



A GARDEN YOU'LL
LOVE ALL SUMMER

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Harvest joy.*



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THE CONTINUATION

More companions, more beauty, more reasons to grow together. ♥



LAVENDER

Colors: Soft purple, creamy white, blush pink

- Brings calm, fragrance, and silvery texture that balances the bold blooms of dahlias.
- We grow classic purple as well as delicate white and blush varieties that weave beautifully through the garden and into bouquets.
- Airy stems add movement and softness, while the fragrance creates a peaceful, welcoming garden experience.
- Attracts bees and pollinators and helps naturally deter some pests.
- Evergreen foliage provides year-round structure and beauty, long after blooms fade.

*Lavender is more than a flower—
it's part fragrance, part texture, and part feeling.*



COSMOS

Colors: Soft blush, white, peach, magenta, raspberry, gold, and jewel tones

- Airy, carefree blooms bring movement and softness to the garden.
- Bloom all summer, filling empty spaces with cheerful color.
- Attracts bees, butterflies, and pollinators.
- Adds a wildflower charm that softens more structured plantings.
- In bouquets, cosmos lighten arrangements with graceful stems and cheerful blooms.
- Easy to grow, generous bloomers that often reseed naturally for delightful surprises.

Cosmos bloom with joyful abandon—and so will your garden.



YARROW

Colors: White, buttery yellow, soft blush, dusty pink, terracotta, and deep burgundy

- Flat clusters of tiny blooms add texture and a soft backdrop to dahlias.
- Fern-like foliage brings an airy, green layer to the garden.
- Blends effortlessly into bouquets, bridging colors and adding structure.
- Long-lasting in arrangements and incredibly hardy in the garden.
- Attracts beneficial insects like ladybugs, lacewings, and pollinators.
- Drought tolerant and reliable even through hot, dry spells.

Yarrow may be quiet, but it quietly makes the whole garden stronger.



DARA (Queen Anne's Lace Cousin)

Colors: Creamy white and deep wine burgundy

- Airy, umbrella-shaped blooms add meadow-like lightness.
- Balances the bold, full blooms of dahlias with softness and movement.
- White feels fresh and timeless; burgundy adds richness and depth.
- Attracts beneficial insects and pollinators, supporting a healthy garden.
- In arrangements, Dara acts like a finishing layer—effortless, wild, and beautifully natural.

*Wild yet elegant, Dara connects cultivated beauty
with the softness of a summer meadow.*



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that's abundant, balanced, and alive with beauty.

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ATTRACT
POLLINATORS



SUPPORT
YOUR SOIL



CREATE
BEAUTY



SHARE
JOY





BACHELOR BUTTONS

Colors: True blue, soft blue, lavender-blue, and deep indigo tones

- Bring cheerful color and old-fashioned charm to the early summer garden.
- True blue is rare in nature, making bachelor buttons a beautiful companion to warm-toned dahlias.
- Bloom early, feeding bees and pollinators before other flowers awaken.
- Easygoing, prolific, and often self-seed—returning year after year.
- Add bright contrast, texture, and a playful wildflower touch to bouquets.
- Dependable companions that weave continuity through the cutting garden season after season.






SNAPDRAGONS

Colors: Creamy whites, blush pinks, peach, yellow, coral, crimson, bronze, and vibrant bicolors

- Tall spires add height, movement, and beautiful vertical structure.
- Versatile shades—from soft pastels to vibrant hues—suit every bouquet.
- Unique dragon-shaped blooms bring whimsy and nostalgia.
- Thrive in cooler seasons, bridging the gap before dahlias peak.
- Long-lasting in the vase and perfect for cutting.
- Add elegance, playfulness, and structure to both garden and bouquets.






MARIGOLDS

Colors: Golden yellow, warm orange, copper, rust, and glowing bicolors

- Bright blooms bring sunshine, border color, and garden companionship.
- Naturally help deter certain pests and unwanted insects.
- Bushy habit fills spaces, creating lush, colorful garden beds.
- Add rich golden and coppery tones with a playful, rustic feel in bouquets.
- Many varieties hold well as cut flowers.
- Easy to grow, reliable, and full of old-fashioned charm.




Bringing the Summer Garden Together

A dahlia garden is beautiful on its own, but companion flowers are what help transform it into a garden that feels layered, alive, and full of movement throughout the season. Each flower contributes something different—fragrance, texture, softness, structure, color, or support for pollinators and beneficial insects. Together, they create a garden that feels abundant in every direction.

The airy movement of cosmos softens the bold forms of dahlias. Lavender and sweet peas fill the garden with fragrance and quiet romance. Snapdragons and sunflowers add height and structure, while cheerful blooms like zinnias, bachelor buttons, and marigolds weave color and personality throughout the beds. Flowers like yarrow and Dara quietly support the health of the garden itself by inviting pollinators and beneficial insects into the growing space.

In bouquets, these companion flowers add the finishing touches that make arrangements feel natural, gathered, and full of life. They bring contrast, softness, movement, and texture that allow dahlias to shine even more beautifully.

At Flaming Acres Dahlias, we love creating gardens that feel more like living ecosystems than rows of individual flowers. The beauty comes not only from each bloom alone, but from the way they grow together—supporting one another, attracting life, and filling the garden with beauty from early summer into fall.

Because while ~~each dahlia is a star~~ stars of the cutting garden, every beautiful garden becomes even richer with good companions.

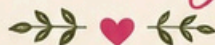


Good friends.
Beautiful gardens.
Lasting joy.



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—• DAHLIAS •—

Thank You *for Growing with Us*



We hope this guide has inspired you
to create a garden that is beautiful,
bountiful, and full of life.

Every bloom has a purpose,
every companion plays a role,
and every moment spent in the garden
is a gift to yourself and the world
around you.



Keep planting. Keep learning.
Keep sharing the beauty.



We can't wait to see what you grow
and create in your own garden.

Thank you for being a part of
the Flaming Acres Dahlias family.

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Here's to
gardens that grow,
hearts that bloom,
and beauty that
never fades.

