

# HERE ARE A FEW TIPS TO HELP YOU CHOOSE THE BEST FLOWERS FOR EACH WEDDING:

## Choose the right flower to fit the environment

- Avoid displaying delicate or thirsty flowers, such as hydrangeas, in areas of full sun or in arrangements that will be kept dry.
- If you must use a troublesome flower, ask your supplier to suggest the hardiest varieties.

# Have your flowers delivered in plenty of time, allow 3-4 days before the big event

- If any flowers need to be opened, place them in a flower food solution and store them in ambient temperatures until the desired opening stage is reached, then place them in the cooler until needed.
- Do not physically force open flowers as this can cause damage.
- Watch for signs of mold or disease in your flowers and remove any affected stems to prevent cross-contamination.

## Treat your flowers correctly from the moment they arrive

- Ensure any buckets or tools that come into contact with flowers are clean.
- Give your flowers a drink of hydration solution on arrival.
- Request that any ethylene sensitive flowers be treated with an anti-ethylene treatment before you receive them.
- Store flowers in a 34-38°F (1-3°C) environment with a 75-85% humidity. Tropical flowers should be stored at 55-65°F (13-18°C).
- Don't forget to hydrate greens and ferns
- Allow plenty of room in each bucket to easily lift the flowers in and out without causing damage. Additional breathing room is also a good disease (such as botrytis) prevention measure.

#### Prepare your flowers for the big day

- Using an anti-transpirant on all your flowers and greens will help lock in the moisture they need to look great all day.
- Do not over fill boxes or buckets for transportation as this can cause damage.
- Bring extras in case of any breakages caused in transit.
- Use flower food in all vases displaying flowers.
- · Don't forget to breathe

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