



ROBERTS FLOWER SUPPLY – SOCIETY ORDER

We are happy to again offer an opportunity for members to participate in a group order for plant media and supplies. You must be a member to participate. We did a group order in 2009 and it turned out great and we hope to offer it regularly in the future. RFS offers a wide variety of high quality potting media that is not available locally, pots, hangers, clips, chemicals, fertilizers, and other supplies. RFS participates in many

shows including regional Mid America Orchid Congress (MAOC) shows so you may have seen or purchased their supplies before. Please see their catalogue online. I hope to have a limited number of catalogues available at the June and September meetings but RFS is primarily web-based. There is no minimum order. Everything in the RFS catalogue is eligible for this order; however, please call Margaret to discuss if you are considering furniture, live plants, or other special items as these will affect our delivery plans. I will have some samples to look at and order forms at the June meeting.

RFS offers reasonable size options for media. Folks who are interested in splitting a bags/quantities of media are encouraged to do that on their own. GCOS will not split bags for you but if you let me know what you are looking for, I can try to match interested parties so you can order together.

- **A hobby bag is equivalent to a one gallon Ziploc.**
- **A ½ cubic foot bag is about 15 quarts or approximately 12”x12”x6”.**
- **A 2 cubic foot bag is about 15 gallons or four ½ cubic foot bags.**

To put bag sizes in perspective in terms of how many plants you can repot, RFS provides this information on their website:

Number of pots per media bag								
Pot Size	2.5”	3”	4”	5”	6”	7”	8”	10”
<b>Hobby Bag</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>½ Cubic Foot Bag</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

If ordering media blends, you must specify in your order if you want **BARK or COCONUT**. All RFS blends are available both ways. Our group order will have reduced handling/packing costs (5% instead of the normal 10%). Orders are subject to Ohio sales tax of 6.25%. GCOS requests \$5 per order to benefit our biannual public outreach potting bees (however, this is optional). We will work with folks as much as possible on pickup and delivery but we are not prepared to store your order. Plan on picking it up ASAP.

In addition to lots of bark and coconut media in our 2009 order, members took the opportunity to obtain special materials that are prohibitive to ship or not available locally. Examples include: surface stone, clear pots, pot clips, pot hangers, tree fern fiber, New Zealand sphagnum, chunky charcoal, Cork for mounting, baskets, and chemicals. It’s a great chance to try something new without having to pay normal shipping charges.

Details on the distribution date/location will be forthcoming. We plan to have volunteers pick the order up to minimize or eliminate delivery charges. The details have to be worked out. If there are any delivery fees, they will be due when the order is picked up.

Please feel free to contact me with questions. I will assist with tallying your order or if you foresee a problem picking up you order. You can mail your orders to me or bring them to the July Seminar or June/September meetings. GCOS will not accept credit card payments for this order. All orders must be prepaid.

Margaret Cullen, Treasurer

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Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society Group Order from Roberts Flower Supply  
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 12390 Root Rd. Columbia Station, OH 44028 TEL:(440) 236-5571

**Order deadline, September 17. Payment due at the time of order. Delivery charges to be paid when picked up. Distribution date to be determined. Order must be picked up ASAP. We cannot store your order.**

Name	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
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Page #	Quantity	Size	Description	Price Each	Total

Send your questions and orders to: Margaret Cullen 3127 Mapleleaf Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45213 (513) 731-8349 treasurer@cincinnatiorchids.org	Subtotal	
	5% Packing/Handling Charge	
	Subtotal	
	6.25% Ohio Sales Tax	
	Optional Potting Bee subsidy \$5	
	Amount due at time of order	

**Make Checks Payable to Roberts Flower Supply. Delivery Charges to be paid separately when the order is picked up.**