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Peonies: 4 types of Peonies:

- Herbaceous
- Itoh
- Tree
- Woodland

My most Fragrant varieties:

- Festive Maxima 1851
- Phillippe Rivoire1906
- Duchess de Nemours 1856

Hundreds of varieties available. Look beyond the local garden centers.

Planting:

- Plant the eyes no more than 1 1/2 inches below the surface.
- Plant in a sunny spot with at latest 4-6 hours of sunlight per day.
- Divide in the fall.
- Companion plants: Allium kerataviens, Allium Globemaster, Iris, Lupine
- Don't mulch

Select plants based on Shape, Size, Color and Bloom time. Some bloom early in the season, others bloom later. Some are more fragrant than others.

Place plant supports in the ground before the peonies emerge.

Places to buy the Peony supports:

- Ocean State Job Lot
- Any garden center
- Gardeners Supply for the extra large rings
- Crickett Hill

Peony Catalogs: Hollingsworthpeonies.com, treepeony.com,