

Dahlia Classification

Sizes		Colours
AA	Giant, blooms can be over 10 inches	W /WH White
A	Large, blooms 8 to 10 inches	Y /YL Yellow
B	Medium, blooms 6 to 8 inches	O/OR Orange
BB	Small, blooms 4 to 6 inches	P / PK Pink
M	Miniature, blooms under 4 inches	DP Dark Pink
		R/ RD Red
Forms		DR Dark Red
FD	Formal Decorative	L / LV Lavender
ID	Informal Decorative	PR Purple/ Black
SC	Semi-Cactus	LB Light Blend
C	Cactus, or Straight Cactus	BR Bronze
IC	Incurved Cactus	FL Flame
LC	Laciniated / Fimbriated (split petals)	DB Dark Blend
		V Variegated
Other Types		BI Bi-colour
BA	Ball, over 3.5 inches	
MB	Miniature Ball, between 2 and 3.5 inches	
P /POM	Pompon, smaller than 2 inches	
ST	Stellar	
WL	Waterlily	
NX	Novelty Double	
PE	Peony-flowering	
AN	Anemone	
NO	Novelty Open-centered	
CO	Collarette	
O	Orchid-flowering (8 pointed star)	
OT	Orchette	
S	Single, over 2 inches (daisy)	
MS	Mignon single, under 2 inches (mini daisy)	

For a complete listing of named dahlias see the on-line Classification and Handbook of Dahlias <https://www.dahlia.org/docsinfo/ocg/>

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