

## Whetman® DIANTHUS Cottage Series

Blushing Maiden ('Valda Judith'), Fancy Knickers ('Valda Isolde'),  
Rosy Cheeks ('Valda Louise'), Ruby's Tuesday ('Valda Kitty')

Origin: Devon, England: Dianthus breeding program

Species: *Dianthus hybrid*

Protection Status: **Blushing Maiden** US PP#13,914; **Fancy Knickers** US PP#13,915; **Rosy Cheeks** US PP#14,045;  
**Ruby's Tuesday** US PP#13,872; COPF Open

### Characteristics:

These garden beauties are characterized by their large flower size, compact habit, silver-blue foliage, and lengthy blooming periods. To top off their superior appearance, they all have a wonderful fragrance. The blooms are often two inches in diameter on top of sturdy stems. They perform well in containers, baskets, and in the landscape. The group is also long-lasting as a cut flower. The Cottage Series holds up well in both cooler and warmer locales.

Hardiness: USDA Zones 5 - 9

Bloom: Heavily in early spring, repeat blooming through the season if cut back.

Foliage: Fine, narrow blue-green leaves.

Habit: Compact mounded, with arching long blooms.

Propagation: Vegetative cuttings. *License required to propagate*



Family portrait



Blushing Maiden



Fancy Knickers



Rosy Cheeks



Ruby's Tuesday