

THE LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS

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Floral Dictionary

Sources vary on what different flowers symbolize—this is art, not science—but these are some of our favorite interpretations.

1 DAISY
Telegraphs playfulness and happiness.

2 BLUE IRIS
"I believe in you"; wisdom, hope, faith.

3 HELLEBORE
Protection, anxiety relief. Feeling cheeky? They also mean scandal.

4 ROSE
A fully opened rose represents beauty; a peach one stands for friendship.

5 LILY White lilies symbolize purity and innocence; pink indicates prosperity.

6 CARNATION
Linked to affection; deep pink heats up that message.

7 TULIP
Symbolizes happy years. Purple is associated with royalty: "You are my queen," anyone?

8 CHRYSANTHEMUM
Cheer, longevity, and happiness, even during what may be difficult times.

9 BLUE SALVIA
Stands for healing and thoughtfulness, spiked with wisdom.