

# Wildflowers That Require Little Care!

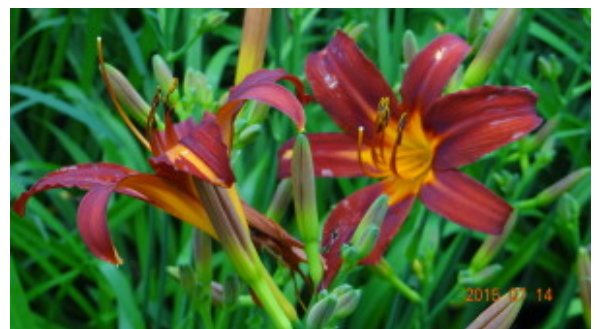
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Sometimes on a farm it is hard to keep up with everything and the flower garden goes a little wild. If you plant the right flowers, they tend to take care of themselves. A few of these flowers are daylilies and “wild roses”. We call them wild roses because they are so old we have no idea what variety they might be.



Yellow Daylilly

The daylilies come in hundreds of colors and varieties, blooming at different times during the summer. Daylilies will also grow in various light environments from quite shady to full sun. They grow well from the northern states to the deep south and far west. It is important to know the attributes of the variety you are planting so you know what color it will be, when it will bloom, and if it will do well in your local geography.



Red & Yellow Daylily

Unopened daylilies can be almost as beautiful as the open blooms. The shape and color of the unopened blooms makes a nice addition to a flower garden or landscape environment.



Unopened Dayilly Flowers

Daylilies tend to grow in clumps if left alone and may not need any fertilizer or extra care except mowing around them. Our clumps are up to 40 years old and have not had any fertilizer or pest control for more than 25 years.



An Old "Clump" of Daylilies

We have a few wild roses that were planted more than 30 years ago that were planted in among the dailyness. Not all roses will have this ability to survive. This is probably some type of hedge rose that was bred to survive well on its own. Some years they are completely killed back by the cold weather. But somehow they manage to send up new shoots that reach for the light and grow above the daylilies and make a few flowers. The roses add to the bursts of color that appear throughout the summer.



Wild Rose