

ALCHEMIST DESIGNS

HOW TO TRANSPORT YOUR FLOWERS

Please make sure to thoroughly read this page before placing your order.

How do I send my fresh flowers to you?

You'll need to send them to me as soon as you possibly can with a reliable transport service. Fresh flowers do deteriorate very quickly, practically every moment that goes by. Speak to your florist for advice. Cool area like a fridge is perfect when you are not using your flowers during the day but don't worry. If you decide last minute after your wedding day, send the freshest flowers to me, up to 10 days old.

To transport your fresh flowers safely, you will need the following

A **shoe box** or a small stationery box.

Tissue paper, plain and not dyed. You can get this in the gift-wrapping section or craft shop. Do not use loo paper or kitchen paper. These are harsh on delicate flowers.

Grab scissors or sharp cutting device because what you do next is

- **Trim the stems** down of each flower, to maybe 3-4 inches *This is REALLY important your bouquet is separated and to prevent it from rotting in the middle.* Discard any flowers that have already started to deteriorate or mould, it will spread.
- **Line the bottom of the box** with tissue (not newspaper or coloured tissue die to colour transferring) - lay a gentle layer of tissue paper on top
- **Wrap each flower** stem in damp tissue and then tinfoil to keep it in place. You can wrap in small bunches but do make sure the flowers are healthy. Pad up any gaps gently with tissue paper so your flowers are secure and they don't rattle about in transit. Green foliage can go straight in the box, don't worry about wrapping the stems. You can keep this box in the fridge until you are ready to send to me if you are packaging them up the day before you pop the flowers off for transit.

Helpful Tips!

AVOID bubble wrap. This squashes the flowers and does not absorb any excess water.

DON'T tape up the box too tightly. Just make it secure but also as easy as possible to open it so your flowers don't get damaged inside when I try to prise it open!

DON'T place the box inside a jiffy bag or paper wrap. The easiest option is to use a box and

you can write the address straight onto it or tape paper onto it either.

DO put your name on the **INSIDE** of the box **INCLUDING** any maiden / married names (as well as a return address and postcode on the **outside** in case it ever got lost. *You do not need to leave an address for returning your finished order to.* Your address will be obtained from the booking process online.

Post via An Post Tracked or Registered (recommended as it is signed for)
(address etc will be given when you order/make final payment)

Although I encourage looking after the environment and using boxes you already have at home (ie shoe boxes), if you're stuck here are some recommended boxes:

MEDIUM - (shoe box size) recommended for LOVE Letters/Initials and heart package for example
Dimensions 159x470x255mm



For extremely large orders this box can also be useful
LARGE –
Dimensions 450x-350x-160mm
[Google Search for ideas](#)



My Flowers are already DRY

Lay some bunched-up tissue paper in the bottom of a sturdy box, and lay your flowers on top, followed by another layer of tissue paper laid gently down. You can layer them up if you have more flowers just don't squash them. You need them to be secure enough not to rattle about but not squashed in. *You do not need to wrap the stems.*

The address for sending flowers will be provided once full payment has been made. I generally get in touch around 4 weeks before your wedding if you have booked in advance.

Thank you very much. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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