FRESH-CUT FLOWER CARE

A simple guide to help your bouquet last longer, open beautifully,
and keep its little garden soul intact.

Thank you for supporting locally grown flowers.

Your bouquet was grown in Lincoln, Nebraska by Lumi Villa Flowers,
named after five generations of strong women.

Quick Care Steps

1	**Start clean**	Use a clean vase. Bacteria is the tiny vase goblin that shortens flower life.
2	**Trim stems**	Cut stems at an angle, about 1/2 inch, before placing in water.
3	**Remove low leaves**	Keep all leaves below the water line out of the vase.
4	**Fresh water**	Change water every 2 days. Recut stems when you change the water.
5	**Choose a cool spot**	Keep bouquets away from direct sun, heat, drafts, and ripening fruit.
6	**Refresh as needed**	Remove spent blooms or tired stems so the rest of the bouquet can keep shining.

The Short Version

Clean vase. Fresh water. No leaves underwater. Cool room. Recut stems every couple of days. That is the whole tiny flower spell.

Best spot for your bouquet

A cool room away from sunny windows, heat vents, fans, and fruit bowls.

Why fruit matters

Ripening fruit gives off ethylene gas, which can make blooms age faster.

FLOWER-BY-FLOWER NOTES

Every bouquet has its own little personality. Some stems last longer than others, and that is normal.



Flower Type	Care Note
Snapdragons, stock & lisianthus	Recut stems and keep water clean. Remove fading florets as they age.
Zinnias, cosmos & dahlias	These are fresh, tender stems. They love clean water and a cool room. Dahlias often have a shorter vase life, so enjoy them loudly.
Strawflower & statice	These can dry beautifully. When you are done enjoying them fresh, hang upside down in a dry spot.
Herbs & greenery	Remove any leaves that sit below the water line. Some herbs may scent the water, which is normal.
Buds in your bouquet	Some buds may continue opening after cutting. Others may stay decorative and sweetly stubborn.

If Your Flowers Look Droopy

- Give stems a fresh angled cut.
- Place them in fresh, cool water.
- Move the vase to a cooler spot for a few hours.
- Remove any leaves sitting in the water.
- Pull out spent stems so the rest of the bouquet can keep going.

Flower food

Use the packet if one is included. Mix it according to the packet directions. More is not better.

No packet?

Clean water changed often still does a lot of the magic.

Fresh flowers are natural and seasonal. Vase life can vary, and that is part of the charm of locally grown blooms.

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