Shipping Instructions – *Dried Flowers*

Hi flower friend!

Shipping your bouquet can seem like a daunting task, but I am here to make it completely stress free. I am going to take you step by step through the process of shipping me your flowers to preserve forever!

The most important rules in shipping dried flowers are:

1 Label your flowers using the instructions below. Scroll down for the required printed note! Please note that leaving just a name or invoice number is not sufficient. You are required to print the client note and send it with your order.

2) **DO NOT select "signature required".** This could result in your flowers being held by the carrier resulting in wilted flowers. We are not liable for flowers who had a signature required.

IMPORTANT

This does not apply to pressed pieces! We cannot press pre-dried flowers, unless they have already been pressed by the client.





Packaging the flowers



Step 3: Wait for your piece

Step 1: Labeling - DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP!

If we cannot identify your flowers at all or if there was no date saved in our calendar, the turnaround time may be much longer and/or you may not receive updates due to us not being able to identify the flowers.

Please print this sheet and include it with the flowers in the shipping box:

Pendants & Jewelery:

Only send us pendants/jewelry if you acknowledge that it will be included in your resin preservation!

If you include jewelry, pendants, smaller keepsakes and/or separate flowers, please make it very obvious to us. Label it in a bright and apparent way. We are not responsible for lost items that were not labeled and that we were not expecting.

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The most important thing to ensure your flowers do not get crushed is to make sure they are packaged properly to where it is nearly impossible for them to move around.

For an Air-Dried Bouquet:

- 1 Wrap the flowers or groups or the bouquet in tissue paper and layer them in an airtight container. Rubbermaid, sterilite, or similar work great!
- 2 Tissue paper & packing paper are the best option for this because it is less likely to puncture the dried flowers.
- (3) Get a cardboard box. No need to have an overly large box, just big enough to fit your container.
- 4 You could use several layers of packing paper at the bottom and surrounding the container to cushion. Bubble wrap is also a good option to help protect the container from shifting too much.
- 5 Place "fragile" stickers on the outside of the box to ensure it is treated with care during shipment. You can find these on Amazon or ask the postal service that you drop the package off with to place a fragile sticker on before shipment.
- (6) Write **"DRIED"** in all caps on the outside of the box.
- 7 Send us an email with the tracking information. Please include the day and estimated time we will receive them.

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Step 2 : Packaging (Continued)

For Silica Gel Dried Flowers:

- (1) If you use our drying instructions, check to make sure your flowers are 100% dry. We usually let all flowers dry in silica gel for at least 3 weeks. In order to tell, you can feel the flowers and they will feel "crunchy". If they are still soft or malleable they are not dry. If there is any moisture in them when you ship them, they will rot. Email us with any questions about this! It is better for them to stay in longer than to not be dry.
- 2 You will need an air-tight plastic container to place your flowers in (Rubbermaid, sterilite, or similar work great!) and a cardboard box to ship it to us.
- 3 **DO NOT ship your flowers while they are still being dried/buried in silica gel.** This will result in crushed and shredded flowers.
- 4 Carefully wrap the flowers individually or in small groupings in tissue paper to ensure they will not fall apart & get crushed during shipment. You can also separate them into ziploc bags.
- 5 Place your flowers inside the airtight container and use tissue paper to fill up any extra space between the flowers and the lid so they do not get tossed around. This step is important.
- (6) Secure the container's lid with tape to be sure the lid will not come off during shipping.
- 7) Make a "nest" of either soft tissue paper, and/or bubble wrap in a cardboard shipping box.
- 8 Place your air-tight plastic container full of flowers in the middle of the "nest" you made inside of the cardboard shipping box. Make sure it is secure and does not toss around.
- 9 Cover it with more packing paper.
- Place "fragile" stickers on the outside of the box to ensure it is treated with care during shipment.
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- (11) Write **"DRIED"** in all caps on the outside of the box.
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Address to send the flowers:



If a client note was provided, we will send an email with photos within 72 business hours of receiving them.

DO NOT select a signature required! This could actually result in a longer wait time for your flowers to be taken back to the post office if we happen to not hear the doorbell.

Disclaimer:

Blossom and Rhyme will only ship back finished products. We do not ship back extra flowers or plastic containers. Just a reminder that <u>regular orders</u> can take up to 8 months to finish, but it will be well worth the wait!

As always, contact us with any questions:

contact@blossomandrhyme.com 423-838-0176 Chat with Bloom on our website!