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Owner's Field Guide - NO. 001: The Daisy Family (Asteraceae)

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Common Zinnia

Zinnia elegans

Named in honor of German professor Johann Gottfried Zinn. The first varieties introduced to Europe were dismissed by Spanish explorers as a rangy weed, "ugly to the eye," before cultivation transformed it into the vibrant garden jewel we know today.



The Dahlia

Dahlia pinnata

While declared the national flower of Mexico in 1963, the Dahlia's history is often shrouded in myth. Far from being a revered treasure of Aztec emperors, historical records show it was a mountain flower first sent to Europe by a Spanish botanical expedition around 1789. Its modern name comes from Abbé José Cavanilles of Madrid's Royal Botanic Garden, who named the genus in honor of his fellow botanist, Anders Dahl.

Project Source & Collaboration

This document was written in \LaTeX . The complete source code, image assets, and project history are available on GitHub. Suggestions, and flower requests are welcome!.



<https://github.com/Data-Syntax/OwnersFieldGuide>