

BOUQUET PRESERVATION GUIDE

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

A personal guide by Charline Oosterlinck



Dear bride,

Congratulations on your special day!

Thank you for choosing to preserve your bouquet with us. To ensure that we can transform your flowers into a timeless keepsake, it's important that they arrive in the best possible condition.

Here's a clear step-by-step guide for storing, packing, and shipping your bouquet to our atelier in Umbria. Help us preserve your special flowers beautifully – follow this guide carefully.

WHEN TO SHIP?

- Ship the bouquet as soon as possible after your wedding — ideally within 48 hours.
- Avoid shipping before weekends or holidays to prevent delays.
- Please notify us in advance when you plan to send your bouquet.

STEP 1. GATHER YOUR MATERIALS

- Print & fill in the Client Information Sheet
- Cardboard box – large enough for the bouquet
- Paper filling (no plastic or bubble wrap)
- Kitchen paper
- Elastic band
- Plastic bag (freezer bag or sandwich bag) or aluminium foil

STEP 2 : PREPARATION

- Keep the bouquet in a vase with clean water until packing.
- Trim stems diagonally to allow maximum water absorption.
- Keep flowers cool and out of direct sunlight.
- Do not refrigerate, and avoid humid spaces.
- Flowers in oasis or with a handle? Leave them as they are.
- Remove any ribbons or hangers you want to keep. We can also use them in the composition if you wish
- Moisten kitchen paper and wrap it around the stems only (or moisten the oasis).

STEP 3: HYDRATE & WRAP

- Moisten paper towel and wrap it only around the stems (or moisten the oasis). Avoid soaking the blooms.
- Wrap this part with aluminum foil or a plastic freezer bag and secure it with an elastic band.
- Ensure water does not leak on the flowers

STEP 4: BOX & CUSHIONING

- Use a sturdy cardboard box, large enough to allow space around the bouquet.
- Line the box with recycled paper or kraft paper — **AVOID PLASTIC WRAP OR BUBBLE WRAP !!!**. Flowers need to be able to breathe.
- Create a paper nest and place the bouquet securely in the center.
- Wrap the bouquet loosely with tissue or parchment paper.
- If available, add cool packs underneath, safely wrapped.
- Fill with extra packing paper so that everything is securely in place.
- Fill in the PDF form with your name, date and put this in a Ziploc bag to protect it from moisture.
- We can eventually include paper goods (invitations/pictures/vows/etc) or other items. These items are better send separately

STEP 5: LABEL & SHIP

Clearly mark your box with:

- “FRESH FLOWERS – FRAGILE – THIS SIDE UP / FIORI FRESCHI – FRAGILI – QUESTO LATO VERSO L'ALTO”
- Your contact info
- Ship via a reliable courier with tracking, preferably between Monday and Friday. Or a fast 1-2 day service. In the weekend we are closed
- Best shipped within 5 days after the event. Ask if the courier can add some extra insurance on your goods to protect them from damage. Slow Living is not responsible for damage to the flowers.
- Send me a message on whatsapp +0032(0)476409750
 1. if the shipping has been done and for when it is due,
 2. if you added some paper goods and send separately and
 3. the prove of the payment of the first invoice (see further)

SHIPPING ADDRESS

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AFTER ARRIVAL

As soon as we receive the bouquet:

- You will receive confirmation from us with a photo.
- We will start the drying process.
- Afterwards, we will discuss online all the options from frame, design, framesize, colors, etc ...

You'll receive updates along the way, and later we'll design your floral memory piece

A FEW LAST TIPS:

- Don't worry if some petals are slightly wilted — that's natural after transit.
- Each flower is unique, and we preserve its beauty just as it is.
- Check also <https://www.slowlivinginumbria.it/en/preservation/>

PAYMENT & CONFIRMATION OF THE ORDER

To confirm your order and guarantee your place in our creative process, we ask for a deposit of 250€ for which you will found the invoice.

To be paid by bank transfer on following bank account :

Name : Oosterlinck Charline Caroline B

IBAN MPS: IT98C0103038701000000591819

BIC/SWIFT: PASCITM1P89.

This amount must be paid at the same time as your bouquet is dispatched and prove of payment send by message together with the message of sending.

The remaining amount will only be requested when the final result (the frame or chosen creation) is sent. This balance is calculated based on the quote send and eventually added with

- any additional options or customization
- shipping costs for the finished piece if needed

Please note: the final price may therefore differ from the base price, depending on your choices.

We can't wait to turn your wedding bouquet into a lasting treasure.

With love from the hills of Umbria,

Charline Oosterlinck

Slow Living in Umbria

Pressed floral client information sheet

NAME

HOME ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL

CONTENTS INSIDE

Bouquet, boutonniere, ...

If you ordered multiple artworks please define

Which arrangement belong to each frame

Any additional details or specifications

you would like me to know