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As this year's Mother's Day is near (May 10th, 2015), have you picked up the perfect gifts for the mothers? Aside from small gifts and cards, bouquet is another indispensable gift for Mother's Day expressing the love to your mom through the meaning of flowers. Although it is a common practice to give carnations during Mother's Day, however, it is not the only choice for some countries and different countries select different kinds of bouquets as Mother's Day gift based on their cultures. For example, Daylily is another popular choice for Mother's Day bouquets. Now let's take a look at different Mother's Day bouquet in different countries.

一年一度的母親節即將到來，你開始準備母親節禮物了嗎？今年的母親節將會在五月十日。除了小禮物之外，在母親節中不可缺少的就是母親節花束了，除了是一種心意之外，也藉由花語傳達出你對媽媽的愛。但是你知道各國的母親節花束都不一樣嗎？我們都認為母親節花束只有康乃馨，但事實上各國的都不太相同，像萱草也是母親節花束的代表之一，現在就來瞭解各國的母親節花束有哪些不同。

1. Carnation

※ The tradition of giving carnations is often practiced in North America. The leaves are green and slender. The flowers are gorgeous, elegance and unique. Red carnation represents passion, justice, beauty, perseverance, and health; pink carnations represents youthfulness and beauty; white carnation represents the purity of a mother's love and sincerity; yellow flowers have symbol of gratitude towards mother's undying love.

※ Reference: <http://www.pixnet.net/>



1. 康乃馨 • 北美母親節花束

※ 北美獻給母親的花是康乃馨，纖細青翠的花莖上，開著鮮豔美麗的花朵，花朵雍容富麗，姿態高雅別致。紅色的康乃馨象徵熱情，正義，美好和永不放棄，花語是健康；粉色的康乃馨祝永遠年輕美麗；白色康乃馨象徵兒女對母親純潔的愛和真摯的謝意；黃色花朵象徵感恩，感謝母親的辛勤付出。

※ 參考網站 : <http://www.pixnet.net/>



2. Daylily

※ In Chinese culture people give daylily, also known as hemerocallis, to mother. As philosopher and psalmist Zhu Xi noted: "growing daylilies at the north [laundry] room helps forget sadness from". So another name of daylily is "Forgetting Sadness". Why do people give daylilies as Mother's Day bouquet? In ancient times, when young people had to travel far away from home, they grew daylilies before they left hoping that the flowers can represent their presence to ease the sadness and worries of their mothers. From then on, daylilies represent mother and later became to the Mother's Day bouquet.

※ Reference: <http://www.pixnet.net/>

2. 萱草 • 中國母親節花束

※ 中國也有母親節花束，就是萱草花。萱草又名諼草，諼就是忘的意思。朱熹注曰：「諼草，令人忘憂；背，北堂也」。所以萱草又有另一稱號忘憂。而為什麼萱草是母親節花束？古時候當遊子要遠行時，會先在北堂種萱草，希望減輕母親對孩子的思念，忘卻煩憂。所以用萱草代表母親，後又延伸為母親節花束。

※ 參考網站 : <http://www.pixnet.net/>

3. Jasmine

※ People from Thailand give jasmine for Mother's Day. Unlike other countries, Thailand's Mother's Day is on August 12th every year. Thai children strung a bunch of jasmine flowers together on Mother's Day. During the ceremony, they bow with hands clasped in line, giving the bouquet to their mothers. This Mother's Day ceremony expresses children's gratitude and appreciation and respect towards their mothers.

※ Reference: <http://www.pixnet.net/>



3. 茉莉花 • 泰國母親節花束

※ 泰國則是以茉莉花作為象徵母親的花。不同於其他國家，每年的八月十二日才是泰國的母親節。在母親節時，泰國小孩都會做的儀式就是將茉莉花串成一串，雙手合十行跪拜禮獻花給媽媽，以表達感激之情。子女必須行大禮以表謝意，由此可得知泰國人對於母親的重視。

※ 參考網站 : <http://www.pixnet.net/>



4. Lupinus

※ Lupinus are grown on barren lands in the countryside. They are also the best fertilizer for tea trees when they faded. Lupinus symbolize the image of diligence, selflessness, and spirit of devotion. The meaning of Lupinus is also mother's love, industriousness and dedication. This meaning is in line with the image of Hakka women and mothers. Hence, many Hakka regard Lupinus as "Hakka mother's flowers".

※ Reference: <http://www.pixnet.net/>

4. 魯冰花 • 臺灣客家母親節花束

※ 魯冰花常年生長在鄉間貧脊的土地上，凋謝後又是茶樹最好的肥料，既具有刻苦耐勞的天性，又懷有犧牲奉獻的精神。而魯冰花的花語就是：「象徵母愛、刻苦耐勞、奉獻」，正符合客家婦女與母親的形象，因此許多客家人視魯冰花為「客家母親花」。

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