

Cotswold Seeds Digital Photograph of the Year Competition 2010

Terms & Conditions

1. The Subject of the Cotswold Seeds Digital Photograph of the Year Competition is 'Cotswold Seeds in Action'. This theme is open to interpretation but entries should have Cotswold Seeds' products as one of the main elements of the photograph.
2. Entries must be taken in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man.
3. Entrants can submit **up to five photos** in electronic format. Prints or slides will not be accepted.
4. Images may be digitally enhanced to remove spots or scratches, but not manipulated. Entrants can enhance the picture to make it brighter, clearer etc, but not manipulate the content. Cotswold Seeds reserves the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity.
5. The competition is open to **UK residents only** (including residents of the Channel Islands and Isle of Man). Employees of Cotswold Seeds, as well as their immediate families are not eligible to enter. Entrants under the age of 12 years need to have parent or guardian consent to enter.
6. Entrants must not be professional photographers and, for the purposes of this competition, a professional photographer will be considered to be someone who makes more than half their annual income from the sale of their photographs.
7. Entries should be sent to: photo@cotswoldseeds.com with the subject line reading 'Photo Competition 2010'.
8. Each entry should be marked with name, address, contact telephone number (both daytime and evening) and where the photo was taken.
9. The competition closes at midnight on **31st October 2010**.
10. All entries will be judged by Cotswold Seeds Ltd. The judges will select a shortlist of ten photographs (the 'Finalists') which, in their opinion, best illustrate the theme of the competition. They will consider a range of factors including composition, technical ability, originality, interpretation of the brief and the commercial appeal of the photographs. The finalists' photographs will all be displayed on the Cotswold Seeds website with appropriate accreditation to the photographers. The winner will then be chosen from the 10 finalists. That winner will receive the prize of a Canon Powershot G11 Camera. The prize is as stated. There is no cash alternative and it cannot be sold or transferred.
11. The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence can be entered into.
12. All entries must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe the rights of any other party. The entrants must be the sole owner of copyright in all photographs entered and must have obtained permission of any people featured in the entries or their parents/guardians if children under 16 are featured. Further, entrants must not have breached any laws when taking their photographs.
13. Prior to submission, entrants must not have offered any of their entries for sale, been paid for any publication of any of their entries or won or been a runner up in any other photographic competition with any of their entries.
14. Entrants will retain copyright in the photographs that they submit to Cotswold Seeds Ltd. By entering the competition and submitting their photographs all entrants grant to Cotswold Seeds the right to publish and exhibit their photographs in the Cotswold Seeds Catalogue, on the Cotswold Seeds website and in other publications for advertising purposes. No fees will be payable for any of the above uses. While we make every effort to credit photographers, including in printed reproductions of their work, we cannot guarantee that every use of the photographs will include photographers' names.
15. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules and Cotswold Seeds reserves the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time and in its absolute discretion if Cotswold Seeds has reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.
16. Cotswold Seeds reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
17. If the winner is unable to be contacted after reasonable attempts have been made, Cotswold Seeds reserves the right to either offer the prize to a runner up or to re-offer the prize in any future competition.
18. These rules are governed by the laws of England and Wales. This competition is administered by Cotswold Seeds Ltd.