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## Fathers Day Flowers Make Dad Smile With a 'Be Happy' Mug

Father's Day occurs on the third Sunday in June and it's a great time to celebrate your Father. Fathers Day has been officially recognized since 1972 and if you were wondering "When is Father's day?" well it's on Sunday June 15th in 2008, June 21st 2009 and June 20th in 2010.

### Father's Day Gift Ideas

Unless buying your Dad another tie is a running family joke, consider something different this Father's Day. Ideas for great gifts are plentiful, and this Father's Day go ahead and get Dad flowers. Flowers are a wonderful gift of nature. Everyone likes receiving them - including your Father - because flowers represent love, happiness, joy and all the other positive emotions.

And contrary to popular myth flowers are not just for women - many men enjoy the gift of flowers too. Flowers - specially well structured and strong looking varieties - appeal to mens masculine nature. Bold, bright colourful flowers are also popular with men and tropical or exotic varieties are a good choice that fits this description.

### Traditional Father's Day Flowers

Traditionalists might select a bold rose arrangement for their Father because the red rose is the official Fathers Day Flower. A white rose is worn or given to commemorate Fathers who are deceased. Other Father's Day ideas may include humorous arrangements like the ever popular bright yellow "Be Happy Mug" flower arrangement and of course the cactus collection (draw your own conclusions from this gift!)

All joking aside, men do have a softer side - admitted or not. Gardening or getting fresh flowers for the home are common male past-times. The next time you are at the local garden centre, pay attention to what men want and you'll see that they're not always shopping for their wives!

If you must continue the Father's Day gift idea of a tie (or some other item like a baseball cap, or socks) at least speak with your local florist about incorporating these Father's Day ideas into a Father Day flower arrangement he will likely never forget.

### Father's Day History

Father's Day is a celebration introduced in the early twentieth century to complement Mothers' Day in celebrating fatherhood and male parenting, and to honor and commemorate fathers and forefathers. Father's Day is celebrated on a variety of dates worldwide and typically involves gift-giving to fathers and family-oriented activities.

The history of Father's Day dates back to the turn of the century, however President Calvin Coolidge recommended Father's Day as a national holiday in 1924. In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson made Father's Day a holiday to be celebrated on the third Sunday of June however the holiday was not officially recognized until 1972, during the presidency of Richard Nixon



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