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SPRING 2020 NEWSLETTER

EENY MEENY MINY MO, WHICH HYDRANGEA SHOULD I GROW?

BY STEVE ROESCH



LITTLE LIME®

As breeders and growers introduce seemingly countless new selections each spring season, choosing the perfect hydrangea for your landscape can feel overwhelming. Should I choose a stately, shade-loving Oakleaf or a relentless blooming, sun-loving Panicle? Or how about a colorful, reblooming Big Leaf? Or a graceful, shade-tolerant native?

As a buyer at Garden Heights, I take pride in procuring and maximizing a diverse and broad selection of unique trees and shrubs. Throughout the winter season, I have been diligently working to refine and narrow our hydrangea selection to the very best cultivars for our local climate. There truly is a hydrangea for every landscape, from sun to shade, and I believe every landscape should embrace at least one!

No matter the cultivar you choose at Garden Heights, you can rest easy knowing we've done the vetting for you and you're going home with a locally proven winner! As always, our expert staff is eager to help you find the perfect hydrangea for your landscape and answer any hydrangea questions or concerns you may have.



Steve has been with Garden Heights Nursery since the spring of 2004! He is the inventory and sales manager for all of our trees and shrubs. He has a BA in Mathematics as well as 16 years of plant knowledge from working at the nursery.

24 years helping make your garden great!

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TEXTURE NOW TRENDING!

BY ZACH CRAMBERG

For those who prefer texture over color, our new natural texture pottery has infinitely subtle detail and beauty that accentuates any landscape or patio. In the store we've recently received

natural textured containers as well as aggregate stone pottery. We can't wait to fill them this Spring to show off their subtly eye-catching beauty. Textured options offer an organic feel and unite with their surroundings for a more serene, natural effect. Fill them with low-maintenance stems, your favorite dwarf conifer, or beautiful ever-changing annuals to keep the containers looking fresh and lively! Visit today to see our wide selection and plan your newly natural patio for Spring!



Zach has been working at Garden Heights for three years and is responsible for our amazing pottery and gift selection! He's an avid gardener and rehabber and loves helping others design their spaces.

SPRING 2020 COUPONS

\$5.00 OFF
YOUR \$30 PURCHASE

**Cannot be combined with another offer or coupon
Limit one coupon per person
April 1st - 30th 2020*

BUY 3, GET 1 FREE
ONE-QUART PERENNIALS

**Cannot be combined with another offer or coupon
April 1st - 30th 2020*

BUY 2, GET 1 FREE
SIX-PACK OF PANSIES

**Cannot be combined with another offer or coupon
March 15th - April 15th 2020*

GET JUICED ABOUT CITRUS!

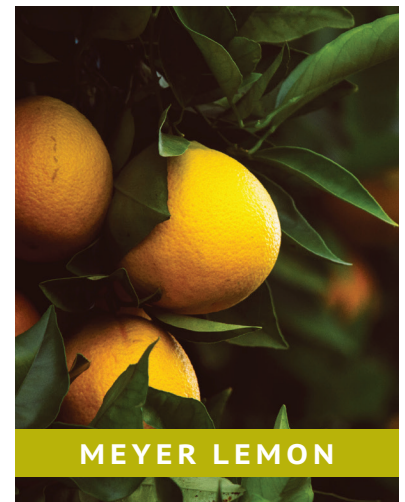
BY KRISTI NEUMAN

During the darkest days of winter, imagine being welcomed home by the heavenly scent of citrus, abloom with the promise of brighter, fruitful days to come. Indeed, most varieties fully ripen in winter, just when we most desperately need a boost. But lemonade in the winter? Do not despair; these vitamin-packed delights are readily stored for many months. You can still enjoy homemade Key lime pie in July.

We are already carrying: Meyer Improved lemons, Persian limes, Kumquats, Limequats, and Calamondins. In the Spring, look for the above mentioned in tree-form and in many sizes. In addition, look for Washington Navel and Moro Blood oranges, Kaffir and Mexican (Key) limes, Clementine tangerines, Eureka lemons and Rio Red grapefruit. We hope to find Australian Finger limes, Minneola tangelos, and Owari Satsuma mandarins.

To ensure your success, consider transplanting your citrus in Espoma Cactus Soil. For your year-round fertilization needs, we suggest Espoma Citrus Tone. You may also give them a boost with Espoma Fish Fertilizer.

Pruning after harvest is strongly encouraged. Always use bypass pruners. We carry Swiss-made Felco pruners and a lightweight pair by Joshua Roth. Lastly, be vigilant scouting for potential insects. Citrus is primarily attacked by scales and spider mites. Fortunately, we have two organic pesticides which have proven effective in their eradication. Try either Bonide Horticultural Oil or Bonide Neem Oil. Stop by the greenhouse today and we'll set you up for success. Orange you glad you read this?



MEYER LEMON



Kristi has been with us since the spring of 2014. You can find her in the greenhouse and the patio in warm weather. With over twenty five years of experience caring for tropical plants, she will ensure you select the right plant for your space.

LOU'S CORNER



Happy Spring!

We are looking forward to an amazing year at Garden Heights! Our buyers have truly sought the best selection of plants and unique homegoods to make your home and garden the best it possibly can be!

As we enter into our 24th year of business, I want to thank you for your continual support as customers and friends. We so enjoy getting to serve St. Louis gardeners and plant-lovers.

It's our honor to serve you, and I hope you enjoy reading about some of our favorite options for your home and garden this season!

Happy Gardening,
Louis D'Agrosa
Owner

CHINESE ASTILBE PERENNIAL

(*Astilbe Chinensis*) Shade perennial. Graceful, fern-like mounds of foliage. Plume-like flower panicles in shades of white, pink, raspberry or red in early summer. Best when planted in groups. Deer and rabbit resistant.

TALL GARDEN PHLOX PERENNIAL

(*Phlox Paniculata*) Sun perennial. Long blooming, fragrant blossoms. Available in shades of white, coral, lavender, pink, red, and violet. New, mildew resistant varieties. Loved by hummingbirds and butterflies.

PURPLE CONEFLOWER PERENNIAL

(*Echinacea Purpurea*) Missouri native. Daisy-like purple petals surround a large orange center. Long blooming and easy to grow in full sun or part shade. Loved by birds and butterflies.

LITTLE BLUESTEM PERENNIAL

(*Schizachyrium Scoparium*) Ornamental Missouri native grass. Slender, green-blue foliage with purplish-bronze flowers in August. Foliage turns a beautiful bronze in the fall. Very tolerant of heat and humidity. 2-4 feet tall.

STAFF PICKS FOR 2020

We've rounded up some of our favorite plants to keep an eye out for this growing season!

PENTAS ANNUAL

(*Pentas Lanceolata*) Sun-loving. Perfect for ground and containers. Blooms all summer long. Available in red, white, pink, and purple. Attracts butterflies, hummingbirds, and bees. Relatively deer resistant.

BEETS/BEET ROOT VEGETABLE

(*Beta Vulgaris*) Colorful, tasty, vegetable that is packed full of nutrients. Easy to grow and easy to sow. Cool weather crop for Spring and Fall. Amend soil with compost.

PINEAPPLE SAGE HERB

(*Salvia Elegans*) Herb with great aroma. Patio-perfect and ornamental. Red bloom attracts hummingbirds and butterflies and can be used as a cut flower. A culinary cousin to mint.

'LITTLE QUICK FIRE' HYDRANGEA SHRUB

(*Hydrangea Paniculata 'Little Quick Fire'*) Compact dwarf with exceptional sun tolerance and overall hardiness. Impressive, large pure white flowers in summer lead to a blush pink by early fall as nighttime temperatures become cooler. Prune in late winter.

SNAKE PLANT HOUSEPLANT

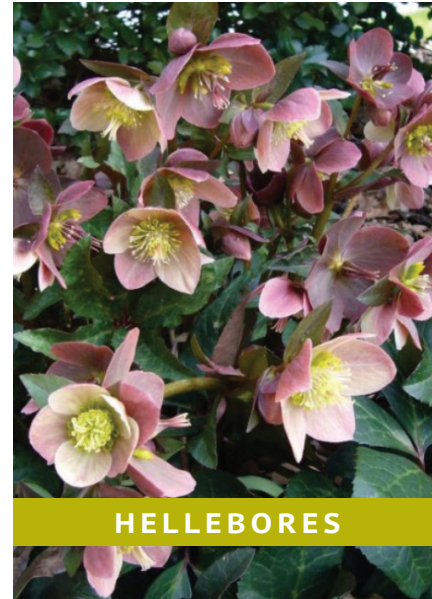
(*Sanseverias*) Houseplant for low to high light with bold, sword-like foliage. Known for ease, evening air-cleansing capacity, and resilience.

CHINESE EVERGREEN HOUSEPLANT

(*Aglaonemas*) Houseplant for low to moderate light available in a wide variety of colors and patterns. Known for ease and all-day air cleaning capacity.

LADY PALM HOUSEPLANT

(*Rhapis Excelsa*) Small fan palm for low to high light areas indoors. Known for ease, cold tolerance, highly trafficked areas, and texture.



HELLEBORES

HELLO HELLEBORES!

BY ANNE DEUTCH

Hellebores are one of our favorite shade perennials here at Garden Heights Nursery and with good reason. Who can resist a plant that greets you with beautiful late winter blooms and continues flowering well into May. These harbingers of spring are tough, cold-hardy, deer and rabbit resistant and are very easy to grow. The evergreen foliage remains attractive year-round and provides multi-season interest in the garden.

There are several species of hellebores and many have been interbred in recent years, producing countless hybrids in a rich array of colors and forms. Hellebores now come in virtually any color you desire: white, green, pink, apricot, yellow, purple, red and near black. Some have beautiful picotee edges or veining and many have spotted or dark centers that draw your eye into the flower.

At Garden Heights we bring in the bulk of our hellebores in early spring so that you can buy them in bloom. This spring we will have several new varieties including:

- **Ruby Wine**- Cup-shaped single flowers in shades of red and burgundy.
- **Moondance** – Large pure white flowers. Silver veined marbled foliage.
- **Sunshine Ruffles** – Sunny yellow double blooms with red edges.
- **Ice and Roses Pink**- Icy pink upward facing blooms. Dark green foliage.



Anne has been with Garden Heights since the spring of 2006 and is the manager and buyer of the perennial area at the nursery. She is an avid gardener and is active in several horticulture groups in the St. Louis area.

It is time to say goodbye to winter and hello to hellebores! See you soon!

ENJOY IMPATIENS AGAIN!

BY TRISHA VENTI

Available Spring 2020

Beacon™ Impatiens in 6-packs and flats of 36 flowers!



Trish has been at Garden heights since the spring of 2016. She is our annual, veggie, and herb buyer and has a great eye for combining plants for garden beds and containers.



Without further ado...may we introduce to you Beacon™ impatiens. NEW in 2020 this Downy mildew resistant shade annual is an excellent choice for accenting beds, borders and containers in your landscape.

Since 2011 impatiens Downy mildew (IDM) has been a prevalent and rapidly spreading disease decimating flower beds across the world. Years of plant trials and tests conducted by breeders in the Netherlands and pathologists in the US have found a successful solution, carefully creating the Beacon™ impatiens by building its resilience to *Plasmopara obducens* pathogens, the host specific water mold that produces IDM.

Beacon™ impatiens performance possess the same flowering time, size and culture as traditional garden impatiens.

HEIGHT: 15-20"	COLORS: Bright red, violet
WIDTH: 12-14"	shades, salmon,
SPACING: 8-10"	orange, coral,
EXPOSURE: Shade	white select mix,
LIFE CYCLE: Annual	red/white mix
GROWTH HABIT: Mound	