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## [Hailstorm Sale](#)

(July 9, 2015 - 20 minutes: 2" of 1/2-3/4" hail ON the nursery)  
There is a LOT of superficial damage to perennials, trees & shrubs. (We covered most of the bedding plants with row-cover and they're fine). The plants will recover and produce new leaves but many

## What a fascinating year.

Dear Eric,

From the lack of winter through the warmest and wettest spring to lightning & thunder our weather has been weird. We had deer IN the nursery in April (usually not until September), the flying aphid adults we usually see in August were flying in May, the golden rust we see on some native willows in August has been showing-up since early June, more snails, slugs & earwigs, our [watering restrictions](#) and hailstorms that have wreaked horrible devastation around town and here, from Downtown to Tahoe Forest Hospital... it's been a *weird* season.

Hunter Lovins, co-founder of the [Rocky Mountain Institute](#) coined the term "Global Weirding"... "because the rise in average global temperature is going to lead to all sorts of crazy things - from hotter heat spells and droughts in some places, to colder cold spells and more violent storms, more intense flooding, forest fires and species loss in other places."

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won't look as GREAT as they did until next spring. The day after it hailed we fertilized with Liquid Seaweed & Silicon (Pro-TeKt). Since then we've fed them with G&B liquid & Maxsea. Most plants are responding and looking much better 2 weeks later.

### Lake of the Sky Garden Tour 2015 - Truckee

The Garden Tour is in Truckee this year. I understand that most of the gardens were spared any of the REALLY damaging 3/4"+ hail storms over the past few weeks and they are ALL worthy of a visit. We snuck a coupon in a few of the Ticket booklets so if you're lucky enough to get one c'mon by this weekend. Otherwise you have a week to enjoy some incredible deals on MANY wonderful annuals, perennials, native wildflowers, berry bushes, shrubs and trees!

### Benefits of Mulch

If you've ever spoken to us about planting or maintaining a garden... If you've ever spoken to ANY of us about tough tolerant landscaping techniques... You KNOW how much we LOVE mulch. "Water half as much and have your plants grow twice as fast", "No Bare Soil!", "Dig a planting hole twice as wide as the pot and mulch twice as wide as the hole" - ALL TRUE. 2-4" of ground

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## Garden Tour & Hail Sale



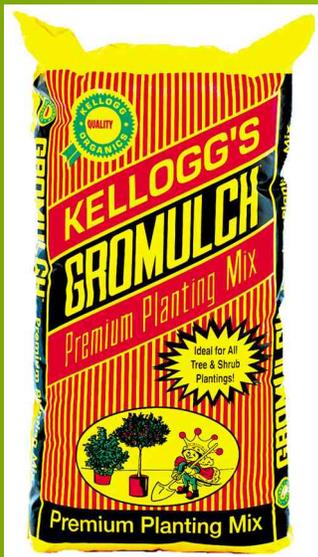
Dramatic weather calls for a dramatic sale. Even though we've been bringing in fresh material almost daily we are offering a clearance sale on plants throughout the nursery. We won't sell anything that won't thrive but the leaves may show signs of a run-in with hail. AND in honor of the annual garden tour and the enthusiasm it inspires:

**Annual: Color and Vegetables 40% Off**  
**Perennial: Color and Vegetables 30% Off**  
**Trees, Shrubs, Fruits & Berries 20% Off.**  
**Composts & Manures Buy 3, get one free**  
*(excludes potting soils. expires 8/2)*  
**Quick Recovery Fertilizer: 18lb G&B High Nitrogen (Lawn Food) 8-1-1**  
**Reg 29.99 for 19.99/bag.**  
*(our soils often lack only nitrogen and organics which this has en masse)*  
**Turf seed is 30% Off.**

These reduced prices are good only through 8/2/15

## Garden Watering Highlights

wood. "A-Grade Natural" from your local Dump ([TTSD](#)) @ ~18/cu yd. + \$105 delivery for up to 30 yards. BEFORE mulching however, spread some bio-active (LIVE) G&B Organic fertilizer and a thin layer of Gromulch to create the living interface between the mulch and the soil that will slowly turn the mulch into rich humus.



**Gromulch, Amend & Topper in 2 c.f. bags: Through 8/2 Buy 3 get the 4th one Free.**

(also Chicken & Farmyard manure, Topsoil, BlackForest, BumperCrop & Bark.)

**Garden like you give a \$\*!#!**

Villager added a few plant sales to an existing florist in 1975 and became a tiny "nursery".

Since 1984, we have believed that native plants are our best teachers and the natural systems that evolved over millions of years are most likely what works best.

With degrees in the natural sciences the two owners have been dedicated to providing natural options for every landscaping situation whenever possible for over 30 years.



...Because our irrigation restrictions **WERE** greater than those in Placerville, Auburn, the Tahoe Basin and MANY other districts... AND because (as we've been told by our TDPUD) we have recharging water tables and adequate water supply, WE requested (and were granted on 6/3/15) a hardship exemption, **by TDPUD, on behalf of the community.** SO... IN-SPITE of what you hear and see, through various media, saying that you can **ONLY** irrigate on Tuesday and Friday, you can in-fact irrigate **as needed** when watering responsibly with drip (incl. micro-spray, soakers & drip emitters), syringing (a light spray to cool-off stressed plants), and selectively hand-watering specific plants, planters, and spots in need. **"\*Plant containers, trees, shrubs, ground covers and vegetable gardens may be watered as needed when using automatic drip irrigation or hand-watering"**. The Truckee Demonstration Garden's efforts very early-on gave us the exemption to irrigate all edibles as needed (taken as annual & perennial vegetables, herbs, berry bushes and fruit trees).

**PLEASE.... NO BARE SOIL** in your garden. MULCH everywhere. Mulch on bare soil 10 feet from your plants is keeping that fine-silty soil from drying-out and from wicking water away from your plants. DO NOT mulch over tree or shrub trunks or over herbaceous plants (unless with a fine compost like Topper).

**AND.. WATER YOUR SURROUNDING FOREST:** 2-3 times this summer, on your watering day, put an oscillating sprinkler out among the big pines and fir

**Organic gardening** (and Landscaping) is not only better for us, our children, our pets and OUR environment ([we need clean water. Water doesn't need us](#))... It **actually works better and it is usually far less expensive in the long-run.**

surrounding your home, near and as far as you can go. Water enough to soak the soil 2-3 feet. **We may have "adequate" supply in our wells but we are definitely in a drought and even with the rains, our soils are very DRY!** Trees are dying all around us from the past 3 dry winters (desiccation & beetle attack) and you can prevent yours from dying by giving them a couple of deep waterings.

*"That beautiful season the Summer! Filled was the air with a dreamy and magical light; and the landscape Lay as if new created in all the freshness of childhood."*  
- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

This HAS been a long gardening season so-far and summer in Tahoe only begins in July. We have months and months to go. Get out and be inspired by wild-gardens. Dip in the rivers and lakes. Enjoy the nights outdoors.

Thank You again and always for being good to us.

We appreciate you all!  
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