

July Gardening...

July 2010



Dear Sarah,

We hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable 4th of July weekend. "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." July 4, 1776.

We were open 8-10 or so until the road closed for the [Fire Cracker Mile](#) and the ["We Love Our Truckee" Parade](#) when we sat roadside and watched. Lots of friends stopped by in the afternoon for Carne Asada and Refreshments prepared by Jose. Thanks Jose!

Saturday, (6/26) we had quite a few folks buy pots and bring in pots for our friends from Kelloggs, Mike and Gisele, to plant-up for FREE. If you missed out, we'll do it again next June.

This Friday we have our friend Zinda Colburn from Fox Farms here most of the day to help out, offer samples and answer organic fertilizer and potting soil questions. We are HUGE fans of Ocean Forest potting soil and Big Bloom fertilizer. PS. There is a 30% off coupon at the very bottom of this e-mail.



Free Fox Farm stuff! Zinda will be in the nursery this Friday - July 9, 2010

Our favorite Fox Farms sales representative, friend and ex-Happy Frog nursery owner Zinda will be at the Villager all day on Friday to give out samples, help you with your gardening nutritional questions and answer your burning questions about worm castings, Ocean Forest Potting Soil, Big Bloom, Open Sesame, container growing and specialty gardening. Stop by between 9:30am and 2:00 pm for goodies and help. Look here for more info... [Fox Farm Fertilizer](#)



Buy 4 get 1 Free Gromulch, Topper and Amend

Because your garden will grow better.

Load-up on our fine, mature Kellogg's finished composts. Use topper for lawn over-seeding and for rejuvenation (I know that some lawns on the summit are just seeing the sun). Use Gromulch and Amend for improving garden beds and for [planting your favorite trees](#), shrubs and perennials into our horribly poor soils.

Don't forget how important it is to mulch on top of your soil to reduce watering, prevent weeds and to improve the long-term health of your garden.



Showy Blue Salvia

Great savings on these hardy perennials of July-August. There are several rich colors to choose from plus, they're drought and deer resistant. Salvia 'May Night', Salvia nemorosa 'Mainacht', is enveloped in violet-purple flowers through July. This one was Perennial Plant of the year in 1997. It's blossoms show-off next to Achillea 'Coronation Gold', Salvia 'Snow Hill' and Rudbeckia 'Goldsturm'

Salvia x sylvestris is a cultivation name for hybrid sages derived chiefly from S. nemorosa (or S. virgata var. nemorosa), native to Europe & Central Asia. Varieties are often tagged by nurseries as S. x superba, or the taxonomically sound species name S. nemorosa.

Most cultivars have been achieved by selective interspecies crosses of S. nemorosa with its own variants & subspecies found throughout its extensive range.

#1 Gallon Salvia nemarosa (reg 9.99-10.99): \$7.99
3 for \$18.99

- or - **4" Salvia: 3 for \$11.99**
(special good through July 19)

Dense Evergreen Screen Special Extended

Picea glauca 'densata'

White Spruce can be found from within the arctic circle, Alaska, Canada and down as far as South Dakota where a population of curiously dense individuals were found in the Black Hills. Black Hills Spruce is dark green with a slightly bluish tint. The trees grow a respectable 12-18 inches a year and form a nice pyramidal "Christmas Tree" shape, topping-out at only 30 feet in our climate.

Spruce are uniquely suited to screening because, unlike pines, they don't lose their needles for years. Their branches are full, tiered and absolutely dense.

#2 Gallon Black Hills Spruce (reg 29.99): \$24.99

#5 Gallon Black Hills Spruce (reg 49.99): \$39.99

#7 Gallon Black Hills Spruce (reg 79.99): \$49.99



(special good through July 19) ([Planting instructions](#))

More Fun Than a Barrel of Monkeys



Buy 3, get 1 Free

I love Monkeyflowers. Our hardy species of Mimulus grow and bloom easily in any moist garden spot. I have a patch of various species under my bird bath.

The native yellow *Mimulus guttatus* is easily as showy as *Lydia Broom* (a hardy shrub). Curious gardeners have been stopping by lately with the aggressive weed *Scotch Broom* of the foothills and I'd say the yellow monkeyflower is even brighter. (We also have *Lydia Broom*).

Mimulus lewisii Lewis' Monkeyflower, has a larger, sweet pink flower. *Mimulus cardinalis* Scarlet Monkeyflower is found mainly on the western side of the crest but seems to thrive here with bright red flowers (we also have a rare yellow selection of the *M. cardinalis* from Annie's).

(Buy 3, get one free expires 7/19/10)

Gardening Class Series

Take one or take them all...

July 9 - Saturday, 10am -2pm: Fox Farm Fertilizers, Amendments and Soils - [Zinda Colburn](#) will be sharing her extensive knowledge organic and bridge fertilizers plus organic potting soils - in the nursery - most of the day. Please stop by and say Hi. **She has samples and advice to share!**

July 10 - Saturday, 10-11:30 am: Easy Gardening for Second Homeowners - Enhance your enjoyment of your second home. This is a short course on the absolutely easiest, bomb-proof, drought tolerant, snow tolerant, rodent and deer resistant, plants and irrigation you can use. We like it beautiful and easy.

July 17 - Saturday, 10-11:30 am: Perennials for Color and Texture - Perennials are a Villager specialty. Learn the plants that will bring your garden to life with blooming color, spring through fall, for many years to come. We offer you THE most fascinating and unique hardy perennial selection in the northern Sierra.

July 24 - Saturday, 10-11:30 am: Tough Trees and Shrubs for Mountain Homes - Shrubs and Trees for shade, spring or fall color, for fruit, or for screening, barriers, accent, edible berries, snow-storage and more. Mountain planting techniques, fertilization and care are topics covered.

July 31 - Saturday, 10am-4pm: Lake of the Sky Garden Club 22nd Annual Garden Tour 2010 View 7 gardens, including 2 lakefronts on the west shore of Lake Tahoe. Includes light refreshments, \$20 tickets on sale at the Villager NOW. - This is a fun tour that should never be missed.

[Look HERE for more class info.](#)



Once again, Thank You So Much.

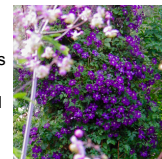
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Save
30%

Vigorous Clematis - Tough Flowering Vine Use this coupon toward the purchase of any 3 Clematis vines. **The Clematis we grow and offer our clients are the toughest around.** I like to mix the spring bloomers, the summer bloomers and the fall bloomers in one spot. Alpine Clematis is a fast grower with pink through purple flowers that usually bloom by late May or early June. Italian Hybrid *Clematis viticella* bloom around the 4th of July in shades of violet. The late bloomer is *Clematis tangutica* with golden bells from July through October and showy seed puffs that look great late in to fall.



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