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We are well on our way into Christmas and I hope everyone has started to get the holiday spirit. If you haven't, then you must come for a stroll through the garden centre. I am sure it will put you in the Christmas decorating mood! From silver to gold, purple to cowboy we have decorations here for everyone. We also have some great tips on how to decorate your home and your yard this season.



And if you are a bit stumped on what to buy a family member, friend, neighbour or anyone on your list stop by. We have a great selection of gifts for the gardener and non gardener alike.

Christmas Kids Club

Coming up on December 13th at 11 am we will be having a wreath making kids club. The cost is \$7.00 a wreath and it should be a lot of fun. If you have joined us on this event before you do know that it does involve using sharp tools so make sure that your parents accompany you, if you have not joined us before this is for every age just some need a little extra help. For more details please contact brooke at [info for kids club wreath making](#) or at 250 652 0711.

Marigold Grown Poinsettias



We have been growing poinsettias



I wish you and your family all the best this season. Have a very merry Christmas from our family to yours.

Cheers!
Marigold Nurseries Staff

Sales and Events

Bring in a non-perishable food item throughout December and receive 10% off your purchase that day!
Donations are accepted at our Garden Centre

Upcoming sale Notice:
Pottery Barn Clearance!
Save 40% off all Pots!
Dec 10th - 17th

BUY ANY 10 POINSETTIAS AND GET ONE FREE!

We would also like to extend a great big thank-you to everyone who joined us on the evening of Thursday November 27th. The food drive was a huge success and we sent a lot of food their way.

THANK-YOU !!!



WREATH MAKING SESSION
SATURDAY DEC 6th
11 am \$25.00



TABLE ARRANGMENT
SESSION
SATURDAY DEC 6th
1 pm \$20.00

at our nursery since 1964. Wow 1964! Les Smith, my grandfather, started growing them, who



then taught my father, who in turn is teaching us. Poinsettias are a very important crop for our garden centre and they keep us busy from July into December. We have to make sure we check the houses everyday for water, bugs, diseases and we have to make sure that the proper light levels are received by the plants so that the bracts turn colour on time. Poinsettias can be quite a tricky crop but we have mastered it here at our nursery and it shows in the quality of our plants.

And if you are bored with the regular poinsettia we now have some creative ones available. Brooke, who is an extremely talented artist-NOT, paints poinsettias in a wide and creative range of colours. They are called Fantasy Poinsettias. If you come and take a look you will know right away if you love them or hate them, there really is no in between with these guys.



[Tips on how to care for your poinsettia!](#)

Christmas Decorating

With Fresh Greens

When decorating with fresh cut greens make sure to follow these few tips for long-lasting fresh displays

Fresh Cut Boughs, Garlands, Wreaths and Baskets

- For inside decorating do not bring them in too early, 2 - 3 weeks is the usual length of time fresh cut greens, in water, stay fresh. If you plan on bringing in greens that are not going to be in water the day of your party is when you should bring them in.
- Check the water levels in the containers daily top up whenever necessary. For arrangements inside make sure to mist them on a regular basis
- You can also spray your greens with a product such as *Wilt Pruf*, which will protect your greens from moisture loss.



Fresh Cut Trees

- Make sure you give your tree a fresh cut prior to putting it in your stand.
- Always make sure there is water in your stand. Add ice cubes in there as well then the water wont evaporate as quickly.
- You can add products such as *Tree Fresh* which helps with needle retention. - Always a plus!
- Try to keep your tree away from a direct source of heat.
- If you can mist your tree through out its stay in your home.
- ENJOY YOUR FRESH CUT TREE! - They beat fake:)
- Or get yours flocked which acts as a fire retardant and your tree will barely lose any needles. Makes your tree look like you picked it right out of the forest after a snow storm. Very beautiful!



Success with Live Trees

- When bringing your live tree into your home do it gradually over a few days. Put it in the

garage the first night and day then in your coolest room in your home for a day or two.

- Make sure you keep your live tree well watered.
- You should keep your live tree in your home for no longer than 2 weeks.
- When placing your tree back outside do it the same way as how you brought it in.

We have an incredible selection and supply of fresh cut greens, custom garland and wreaths. Our garland and wreaths are all made here from our talented team. And if you would like to learn about making your own basket, wreath or arrangement just come visit the nursery and we will be sure to give you a few tips or you can join us Saturday December 6th at 11am for our wreath making seminar.



Plant Picks and Tasks for December

Tis The Season!

Flowering Shrubs & Perennials for Late Fall & Winter

Viburnum- These two varieties are sooo beautiful Burkwoodii & Pink Dawn



Skimmia- Evergreen with flowers and berries in Winter!

Gaultheria- Gorgeous red berries on a low evergreen mound. The berries are edible and taste like wintergreen.

Lavender & Rosemary- Both these herbs make a great addition to a winter planter.

Other Great Shrubs & Perennials

Holly- A staple in most holiday decor, this very hardy year round beauty is great in your garden or in a pot to cheer up your doorway.

Great Indoor Plants

Marigold Nursery Grown Poinsettias
Norfolk Pine



Goldcrest Cypress- Perfect for indoors or at your front door
Orchids- Great Selection



TASKS AT HAND FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

- Feed the birds. Marigold has what our feathered friends need here to have a good winter. Make sure that there is some fresh clean water available for them too.
- If you have not done so yet, apply some compost or leaf mulch on your garden beds.
- Decorate some containers and place them at your front door. If you have some on containers that just need a quick pick me up, cut some branches such as red or yellow twig dogwood and stick them in. You could also use some sparkle tinsel for a festive look.

Wishing you the best holiday season and a great new year.

Cheers,

Marigold Staff

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