

# CANETE Garden Center

## Monthly Newsletter

JULY 2019

### Plant of the Month

#### HARDY HIBISCUS



Plant taxonomy classifies the hardy hibiscus plants as *Hibiscus moscheutos*. Hardy hibiscus are a cold hardy plant despite bearing large blooms that call to mind the tropics. The hues of the most common cultivars are white, bicolored, or various shades of red or pink, but other colors are now available.

Although hardy hibiscus plants seem woody in summer and function as sub-shrubs in the landscape, their stems do die back to the ground in winter, making them herbaceous perennials, technically.

Some of the most popular hardy hibiscus cultivars reach about four feet in height, with a spread slightly less than that, but the bloom size can be up to 10 inches.

Even cultivars with smaller blooms still produce impressive, saucer-size flowers. While each bloom lives only a day or two, they are quickly replaced

### Caring For Hardy Hibiscus

Hardy hibiscus plants are surprisingly easy to grow as long as you provide them with well-drained soil and a spot in full sunlight. The secret to success is to water enough to keep the soil evenly moist.

This plant doesn't absolutely require fertilizer, but a general-purpose fertilizer will promote vigorous growth and support blooming.

STOP IN FOR DEER CONTROL Q&A  
JULY 20TH @10:00 AM



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### Featured Recipe

#### BLACK BEAN CORN SALAD

##### Ingredients:

- 1/4 c olive oil
- 2 tsp honey
- 3 limes (juiced)
- 2—15oz cans black beans (rinsed)
- 1 diced bell pepper
- 1 c thawed frozen corn
- 1 bunch scallions
- 1/2 cup cilantro
- 1 avocado
- Salt & pepper



Whisk olive oil, honey and limes juice together. Toss with black beans, corn, diced bell pepper, chopped scallions, cilantro, and salt and pepper. Add diced avocado

We have a potting station here for you to create. We can custom plant in a container you bring or one we supply.



*Helpful Hint: To keep your plants thriving through the hot and humid summer we suggest applying a water-soluble fertilizer every two weeks. We have several different products available for purchase. Please ask a sales associate for assistance to select the best products for your plants.*



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