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# Perennials with Staying Power

Move over annuals! These hardworking plants pop up every year, put on a season-long flower show and save you money in the long run.

Annuals are likely your go-to for a long season of flowers, but some perennials give them a run for their money. Long-blooming types are tough, dependable and flower for six weeks or more. That's a bonus for pollinators, because they'll have a source of food every year. So, every season, the display is better than the year before, and who doesn't love the idea of planting something once that comes back every year? Perhaps best of all, buying perennials means you only pull out your wallet once, then sit back and reap the rewards of money well-spent.

Look for these tough, long-blooming perennials at our stores:



<u>Coneflower –</u> This purple beauty is common in prairie plantings for good reason – it thrives in a wide range of conditions. A dependable performer in the intense heat of summer, it never fails to please with large colorful flowers. Growing 2-5' tall, coneflower traditionally has purplish pink petals surrounding a golden center, but newer cultivars are white, yellow, orange, tomato red and pink. Zones 3-8.

Shasta Daisy – 'Becky' is a common cultivar with a classic look that will put a smile on your face. Divide Shasta daisies every three years to invigorate the blooms and encourage longevity. The large 3-4" wide flowers bloom from midsummer into fall if deadheaded. These sturdy, upright plants grow 1-3' tall. Or try a dwarf variety, 'Snowcap', which grows 10-14" tall. Zones 4-9.

<u>Russian Sage</u> – Gardeners grow this popular perennial for many reasons; it's deer resistant; it tolerates heat, wind, drought and poor soil' and pollinators love it. Plus, it blooms for a good, long time. The purplish-blue flowers appear from midsummer to early fall, complementing the aromatic gray-green foliage. It grows 3-5' tall and has a relaxed, open habit. Or choose a dwarf variety that is about 2-1/2' tall. Zones 4-9.

<u>Pincushion Flower –</u> Pincushion flower deserves a starring role in more gardens. For starters, its flowers are butterfly magnets. The unique blooms, which rise on 12-15" wiry stems, look like mini pincushions & produce blooms from spring to frost. Zones 3-7.



Coreopsis – Moonbeam coreopsis is worthy of a spot in the garden just for its airy green foliage. But in summer, it's topped by a profusion of creamy yellow flowers. Shear the spent flower to get extra blooms in fall. It grows 12-18" tall so it makes a nice front-of-the border plant. It's tolerant of heat and humidity and does well in dry, rocky soils. Zones 3-9. Coreopsis also comes in yellow, pink, red and even some bi-colors.

<u>Black-eyed Susan</u> — These perennials (Rudbeckia) are known for having a long bloom period from mid-summer to early fall. These butterfly favorites grow 2-3' tall and are sturdy enough to stand without staking. They adapt to dry and moist soils and heavy clay but do best in a well-draining soil with ample moisture. Deer resistant. Zones 4-8.

Yarrow - Yarrow is a classic garden perennial known for its ruggedness and drought tolerance. It works well in a cottage garden setting and in wildflower gardens. It is available in a wide array of colors. Easy to grow it requires little maintenance other than it will not do well in wet soils, so make sure to plant it in well-drained soil. It tends to spread, so divide every few years to contain it. Zones 3-9.



<u>Sedum –</u> Sedum is officially a lazy gardener's best friend; plant it and forget it. Popular cultivars such as Autumn Joy grow only 18-24" tall and feature attractive blue-green succulent leaves that resist animal browsing. Grow in well-draining soil and full sun for best results. This perennial looks great in late summer and early fall, when flowers mature to pink or rusty red. The flowers are also great for winter interest. Zones 3-8. There are also many different varieties of sedums to choose from to grace your perennial garden!

## **Maximize the Bloom Potential**

Use these tips to get the most from your long-blooming perennials:

- 1. Keep up the deadheading! By removing faded flowers, you spur the plants into producing more flowers rather than seeds. The only exception is to leave late-season flowers for winter interest and to feed wildlife.
- **2. Plant your perennials in the right spot.** When a perennial gets the right amount of light and moisture, it produces more and bigger flowers. Good soil prep helps, too. If you have poor soil, add lots of composted organic matter before planting.
- 3. Include perennials with overlapping bloom times. Intermix some self-seeding annuals, such as larkspur in spring & cleome in summer and fall, to really stretch the show!



"What's Bugging You?"

by Laurie

BEWARE of WILD PARSNIP!

Wild parsnip plants are rising towards their full height and their yellow blooms are beginning to open in southern Ohio.

Gardeners should exercise extreme caution around this non-native invasive plant. When wild parsnip is touched, the plant's sap and the sun break down skin cells and tissues and makes your skin extremely sensitive to sunlight, so you get a bad sunburn everywhere the sap touches your skin. Always wear gloves and protective clothing when working around this weed!

The safest way to control this invasive weed is to use herbicides. Plants are susceptible to herbicides such as glyphosate (Roundup) or an herbicide that contain 2,4-D.

For more information and pictures of this poisonous weed, visit this web site: <a href="https://bygl.osu.edu/index.php/node/1053">https://bygl.osu.edu/index.php/node/1053</a>

POISON HEMLOCK is in Full Flower in Fields and Landscapes in Ohio! Poison hemlock is one of the most lethal plants found in North America. This biennial weed is now in full flower throughout much of Ohio. Poison hemlock contains highly toxic compounds which cause respiratory failure and death when ingested by mammals. The roots are more toxic than the leaves and stems; however, all parts of the plant including the seeds should be considered dangerous. Poison hemlock toxins must be ingested or enter through the eyes, cuts, or other openings to cause poisoning.

While poison hemlock can be partially managed by mowing and tilling, the most effective control approach involves properly timed applications of selective or non-selective post-emergent herbicides including glyphosate (Roundup). However, applications of herbicides must be made now to have any chance of reducing seed production this year.

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## **COMING ATTRACTIONS!**

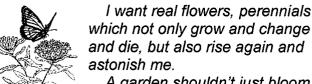
As of June 11, we are at 832 Growing Degree Days (GDD). **Bagworms** start hatching when the Catalpa and Ivory Silk Lilac trees bloom at 808 GDD and will hatch over a period of several weeks. Start spraying for them mid-June thru early July. Bagworms are easy to kill when small but harder to kill when bigger. They are hard to see at first, so keep checking your trees and evergreens. If you find bags left over from last year, pick them off and destroy them. Spray with **Bonide Captain Jack's, Bonide Systemic Insecticide**, or **Bonide Beetle Killer** which comes in a hose-end sprayer, shoots up to 25' high and lasts for up to 8 weeks.

Japanese Beetles up next! They emerge around 970 GDD, when the Linden trees bloom. Apply grub lawn controls, such as Bonide Grub Beater NOW, to prevent grubs from maturing into adults, or kill with sprays or traps. We have handouts with more info at both stores.

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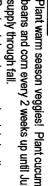
A garden shouldn't just bloom and look pretty; it should develop like the rest of life.

Otherwise it, and we, live only to be spaded under.

~ Emma L. Roth-Schwartaz

# RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Garden To Do List





Kenton store: Saturday, June 30, 2018 2 sessions at both stores: 10 am & 1 pm

Perennial Month

We have Hardin County's largest

Ada store: Saturday, June 23, 2018

This year there are 2 dates to choose from

Fairy Garden Workshop

Dust potatoes to prevent potato beetles

Apply Preen for weed prevention as long as it's been at least 8 weeks since you last applied.

Continue to spray fruit trees per spray schedule. Thin ou small fruits of apple, peach and plum to one every 6" on

Bring your own pot or container or purchase one here. We'll provide

for the Fairies in your garden.

Create a charming home

the soil & you purchase the plants and accessories you like

Space is limited, so call either

store to sign up for a spot.

Use Neem Oil for an organic insect control on veggies, herbs and ornamentals & to control black spot on roses

Mulch vegetable and flower gardens to conserve moisture

Check roses for pests and diseases which usually start June is Perennial Gardening Month .... so plant some

Dig, divide and replant lycoris bulbs (surprise lilies) after the foliage turns yellow. regular schedule over the course of the summer. appearing in June. Treat as necessary and maintain

About every 3 years divide bearded irises. After blooming they become semi-dormant and it's the best time to

Cut back fall blooming mums by 1/3 to coax bigger blooms and fuller plants

Start checking for bagworms at the end of June. Don't Don't trim evergreens until after July 4th when new growth spray until you see them.

Deadhead all spring flowering plants after blooms fade to cut off flower buds for next year as buds form in summer direct energy to next years blooms. Later trimming will has hardened off and it won't leave brown stubs

into the dry summer months. They need at least 1" of (eep newly planted trees and shrubs watered as we head rainfall or equivalent of watering each week.

Fertilize flowering planters and hanging baskets continually Prune hedges on a slight bevel so that the bottom sticks to keep them looking healthy and lush. We recommend Miracle Gro "Bloom Booster" for lots of flowers. Dead out farther than the top so the whole shrub gets light.

Bird Houses, Bird

 I rees & Shrubs Fruit Trees & Plants

Rose Bushes

Broadleaf weed control can be done in early June as long

as weeds are actively growing

Toward the end of June apply Grub Control to prevent the

Start increasing the mowing height of your mower to 2.5"

head annual flowers regularly to keep them blooming.

Baths & Feeders

FATHER'S DAY Gift Ideas

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