

## **Corner Copia Courier**

Passion, Plants, People

# The Holiday Edition









ecking the Holiday halls has never looked so good this season at Corner Copia Gardens. In 2024, we brought in a few

trees from a tree farm in Wisconsin. This year, we are increasing the number of trees to more than 120. The trees will be arriving the week before Thanksgiving along with holiday greens including wreathes and garlands in both cedar and mixed greens.

The wreathes will already have pine cones to increase their holiday allure which can be further augmented with a trip to The Christmas Shop to peruse our large selection of premium holiday ribbon. You can create your own or place an order for a custom bow in a variety of styles and sizes.

Down from Canada, we have brought in a delightful selection of gorgeous plants perfect to accent your holiday decorations including lavender cones, myrtle topiaries and some of the most stunning weeping rosemary trees. Couple this with a great selection of cyclamen—amazing in centerpieces.

But one of the best parts of every holiday season in the greenhouse is when the poinsettias start rolling in. Our space comes alive with color from the stunning Princettia Pure White, Princettia Sparkling Rouge and Princettia Hot Pink (pictured above) to the amazing Superba New Glitter.

Lastly, we have a unique and different twist on the perennial holiday favorite with zero-care waxed Amaryllis bulbs, many the size of grape-fruits. These big, beautiful bulbs produce huge trumpet-shaped blooms that will be the envy of your holiday guests.

from 4-6 for our inaugural Poinsettia Party
to kick off the season and come back for
the Holiday Sip and Shop on Dec. 11 from
4-6 to help finish your Xmas shopping.

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#### Oh, Christmas Tree

### **Decking the Hall Starts With One of These Beauties**

Feature	Balsam Fir	Fraser Fir	Canaan Fir
Scientific Name	Abies balsamea	Abies fraseri	Abies balsamea var. phanerolepis
Native Range	Northeastern U.S. & Eastern Canada	Southern Appalachian Mountains	Central Appalachians (West Virginia area)
Shape & Density	Full, symmetrical, dense	Compact, pyramid shape	Balanced, medium density
Needle Color & Texture	Dark green, flat, soft	Dark green with silvery underside, slightly stiffer	Glossy dark green with silver underside
Fragrance	Strong, sweet, traditional Christmas scent	Mild to moderate, pleasant	Similar to Balsam but milder
Needle Length	¾-1 inch	1/2-1 inch	¾-1 inch
Branch Strength	Moderate	Strong, holds heavy ornaments	Moderate to strong
Needle Retention	Good	Excellent	Very good
Popularity	Classic, traditional choice	Most popular commercial tree	Gaining popularity with growers
Notable Qualities	Highly aromatic; traditional favorite	Long-lasting freshness; ideal symmetry	Blend of Balsam's fragrance and Fraser's durability







Balsam Fir Fraiser Fir Canaan Fir



# Rock The Shop!

Our Gift Shop has never looked better! Consummate businesswoman, Chrissy Clay, recently joined forces with owner Michelle Johns and her staff, bringing with her an off-the-charts skill for visual marketing.

In several short months, Chrissy has transformed the Corner Copia Gift Shop into a stunning space filling it with unique garden & plant-themed gifts. After moving Autumn and Halloween merchandise to our sale area, she waved her magic wand and The Corner Copia Christmas Shop was born.

One-of-a-kind Christmas Trees, Jinglenog glass ornaments handmade in Poland, waxed Amaryllis bulbs and the ever-welcome luxury of Trapp Candles highlight our top of the line collection appropriate at all price points as a hostess gift, a secret Santa present, or a last-minute stocking stuffer!

This year for the first time we are offering two great services to our customers - our custom gift baskets are personally curated by Chrissy drawing from the amazing gift inventory.

Chrissy will also be designing and tying all of the custom bows with access to some of the best holiday ribbon styles available.

In both cases, simply call, message us or stop by.

Once we have an idea of your budget, Chrissy will personally curate a stunning gift basket or she will put a bow on it!



## Copper's Corner

My Dad, Chris, loves to cook. When he is whipping something up, my favorite vantage point is perched on one of the barstools resting my chin chopper on the kitchen island. Did I mention that I have some serious hops. I may not be able to compete for vertical leap with Satsuma the Catsuma, but compared to that lump of a dog Weaver (the Retriever) ... well, there is no comparison. Gold boys can't jump!

With shorter days and colder nights, Dad's summer recipes have given way to soups and grilled cheeses. That man can cook a darn grilled cheese, now! And the other night he made the season's first pot of chili. Boy, the kitchen smelled good that night.

Mom's children came from far and wide for a special visit. They talked excitedly throughout dinner about the arrival of all the great seasonal plants ... some coming from as far away as Canada. The greenhouse fills with the vibrant colors of poinsettia varieties and the fresh tang of holiday greens.

Next week the Christmas trees arrive and I know that once they get here my favorite show on this earth is just around the corner! I'll hop up on my barstool and prepare to spend all day watching Dad cook that Big Ol' Turkey!

Thanksgiving Dinner for all creatures great and small!



#### Connoisseur's Corner

#### Rare & Hard to Find Plants

- ⇒ Rosemary Prostratus Trees Straight from Canada, these beauties are absolutely gorgeous. Prostratus is a weeping style of Rosemary and these growers really know their craft.
- ⇒ **Lavender Cones** Also from north of the border, these smell divine and make the perfect table-top Christmas tree for the kitchen island or the work desk.
- ⇒ **Waxed Amaryllis Bulbs** The magic of the holiday season is exemplified in these self-contained miracles. Available in a variety of styles and colors, these are perhaps the biggest amaryllis bulbs you will ever see. No watering is needed. The bulbs have already stored everything they need to produce a little Christmas Magic.
- ⇒ "Moon Glow" Christmas Cactus (Yellow) These hard to find yellows are sure to fly off the shelf never to be seen again!

#### Fresh off the Truck

Christmas Trees
Poinsettias
Christmas Cactus
Amaryllis
Paperwhites
Cyclamen
Christmas Greens



#### **Upcoming Events**

- Nov 16—Live Music 2-4 pm with Billy Bones: This consummate musician brings his
  considerable talents to Corner Copia Gardens for the first time. Come enjoy a Sunday
  afternoon with a beverage from the Atrium Bar and tunes while you shop our selection of seasonal plants.
- Nov 21—Poinsettia Party 4-6 pm: Crank up the Christmas Tunes & enjoy our special Poinsettia Punch and light refreshments.
- **Dec 11 Holiday Sip & Shop 4-6 pm:** Join us for our December opportunity to carry your beverage around the nursery and make those last-minute gift selections.