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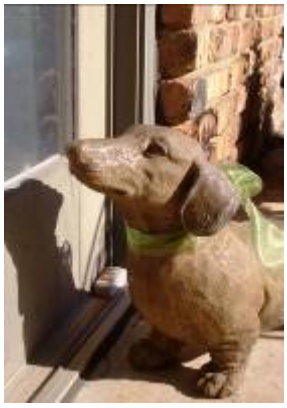
ENHANCE YOUR FALL GARDEN

The fall season is approaching; it is almost palpable. Perhaps this fall will be a beautiful one, given the recent rain and cool temperatures. Capitalize on the natural beauty in the garden by adding comfort, color, and character to make your home warm and welcoming. People have an instinctive need to be surrounded by nature, especially enjoyable in beautiful, comfortable outdoor surroundings.

Comfort means comfortable furnishings, including cushions and pillows. If the upholstery is dirty or in bad repair, clean or replace it. Make sure that the seat cushions are three to five inches thick to allow

for maximum comfort. Having more than one pillow for the back of a chair ensures adequate support and comfort and gives a luxurious appearance. Just looking through a window at chairs full of fluffy pillows gives a feeling of comfort.

Seasonal outdoor pillows are available that blend with most solids and stripes in garden furniture upholstery. Keep the color theme simple; shades of a few colors can provide visual interest and contrast without looking cluttered. Most people think of orange and burgundy as fall colors, however shades of blue and purple are also beautiful colors for fall, i.e., pansies, asters, and mums.



To find character in the garden at any time of year is to find the personality of the owner. Each garden reflects the gardener who designed and cares for it. Add character simply by hiding a tiny bird among plants in a pot by the front door, or by having your canine statue look in from outside.

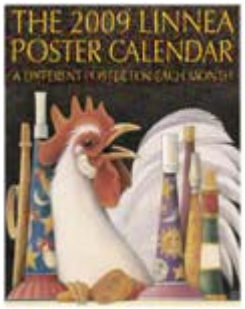
The graceful form of a pot filled with plants next to the door you use every day is the first sign of the peaceful sanctuary of home. You can create the perfect garden sanctuary for yourself. There really is no wrong way, it is your garden. Relax and enjoy your creative process, and then invite your friends in to enjoy your creation with you.

The fall season suggests a theme for some new garden accents. What will yours be?

WHAT'S NEW IN THE STORE

Fresh, live California ivy topiaries in clever shapes, such as nests with birds and 36″ trumpet cones, have just arrived. These make a very nice hostess or housewarming gift and they look great in pairs on a buffet, library table, or kitchen island.

2009 CALENDARS are in stock! We have Susan Wallace Barnes, Linnea, and Hannah in the 5″ x 7″ and the 11″ x 15″ poster size with the appropriate Lucite easel or hanging frames for each size.



Also coming soon are two new calendars, a floral painted by artist Janine Moore and 12 months of darling dog scenes painted by artist Erica Leigh from Kennebunkport, Maine. Calendars will be available both wrapped and unwrapped.

Arriving early September is a large order of cast stone statuary and glazed terra cotta pots and fountains. One of our favorite pieces ordered is this Wetherburn Cabbage from the Williamsburg Collection. This or its companion bundle of asparagus would be a wonderful focal point in an herb or vegetable garden.

New this year is a self contained glazed terra cotta fountain in antique jade. Nearly two feet high, this fountain will be well suited for patios and flower borders. This new fountain was designed to maximize the sound of trickling water.

Also new is a cast stone umbrella table adapted from a Williamsburg balustrade. The weight of this table is ideal for holding an umbrella in the Oklahoma wind. At two feet in diameter, it can serve as a small bistro dining table for two or a multi purpose table for patio or poolside.

Coming soon are botanical candles and new reed diffusers in best seller spicy apple and introducing a new scent that will be a best seller, bitter orange.

A garden flag is an easy way to bring a spot of color and welcome guests to the front of your home! Here is just one of the many there are from which to choose. Also see the back cover for the attractive fall red rooster garden flag.

HUMMINGBIRD JEWELS

Nothing attracts hummingbirds like color, and there is nothing more attractive than hand blown recycled glass hummingbird feeders in the garden! New this season is the gorgeous cobalt blue filigree multi port nectar station. These pieces are absolutely radiant in the sunlight. This style contains an ample supply of nectar to ensure happy hummingbirds as they migrate through to their winter homes.

Add a bit of whimsy and fun to your garden with this polka dot three port hummingbird feeder.

Notice the new dripless gondola ports

Nectar bottles are an easy and quick way to refill hummingbird feeders. Simply mix the solution and store it in the refrigerator where it can be kept fresh for up to a week.

SEPTEMBER 2008 TO DO LIST

- First of all, every year, you must ready your garden for any type of weather be it jungle rains, hurricane, tornado, or drought.
- By the end of September, stop pruning and fertilizing.
- Prepare to bring summer plants back indoors; check for hitchhiking pests.
- Divide, move, or share perennials.
- Start fall clean up in flower beds, cut back anything that has finished blooming or is diseased.
- Collect seeds.
- Take cuttings to root indoors.
- Photograph garden and containers to record the year's triumphs and frustrations.
- Turn the compost pile if you have one.
- Enrich garden beds with compost.
- At the end of the month, plant pansies and fall annuals (cabbage, kale, and dianthus).
- Keep pruning tools clean. One cut on a diseased branch can spread disease throughout your garden.
- Always clean tools before putting them away. Clean tools with linseed oil.

EXTERIOR DECORATING

Give yourself (or someone else) a garden retreat, or update an existing one. Wilshire Garden Market provides an exterior decorating consultation service. By appointment, for a nominal fee, we will make a consultation visit followed by written suggestions to make your garden retreat more charming, cohesive, and useful. Call the store for details or to set up an appointment.

Let us help you create your outdoor living room!

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