



TIMBERLINE GARDENS

Gardening news, savings & special events
Winter 2005

Greetings from Timberline Gardens!

It's been one of the most beautiful autumns that I can remember. The fall colors have inspired gardeners to plant more oaks, maples, serviceberries and flowering pear trees.

As you plan your winter garden consider how it would look with more winter interest. Think about adding evergreens such as the handsome "Tannenbaum" mugo pine and the deep green blue holly. Grasses such as indian grass, giant plume grass, and little bluestem look amazing during the winter months. Shrubs with colorful winter twigs such as coral bark maple, Isanti dogwood and yellow twig dogwood add a spark to the garden.

Remember, winter is long in our region so plant plenty of things that are beautiful even when it's snowing. Happy holidays!

Kelly Grummons



'Tis the Season for Shopping Solutions

We have some great gift ideas for gardeners at Timberline. New this fall are the **Twirl-a-squirrel bird feeders**. The feeder senses the weight of the rodent and begins twirling until the rascal falls off and eventually gives up... an ideal gift for those who love to feed birds. Our birdhouses made by a local bird expert are designed for specific species and are easy to clean.

Our dear friend and part-time employee **Marilyn Raff** has written a new book being released in early December. "**Ornamental Grasses for Western Gardens**" will be available at Timberline Gardens for your favorite gardener.

If you love handmade Christmas ornaments check out our handpainted glass globes by artist **Karen Haataja** featuring a variety of wildlife figures, birds and flowers. **Chad Griffin** will be displaying his gorgeous cut stained glass ornaments and light reflectors. **McKenzie's** wonderful herbal soaps are always a favorite.


We also have some great new **gardening tools** from Japan. The high quality pruners,



shears and Hori Hori knives would be cherished by any gardener.

Our selection of **gardening books** is better than ever. If you know someone planning to build a pond and waterfall or putting together a water-wise garden, we have the books for you.

Among the most popular gift items at our nursery are **bonsai trees**. We have a great selection for amateurs and experts alike. Try a willow-leaf ficus for his office or a Japanese garden juniper for a cool window-sill at home.

Another great new gift idea is a kit for making custom concrete **stepping stones** with any saying embossed in the stone that you wish. It would be a perfect project for kids to make gifts for grandparents. 

If you don't have a fireplace consider getting the family a **chiminea** for the patio or deck. These ceramic stoves from Mexico are great fun for outdoor gatherings in the warmer months. Having a cozy fire makes get-togethers extra special.

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Seasonal Specialties

Keeping Warm

The demand for firewood has been high this fall. With higher gas prices and the cost of living increasing, folks are sticking close to home and dusting off the old wood stove.

Oak firewood is still your best value. Oak produces about 29 million BTU's per cord as compared to ponderosa pine which produces

only about 16 million BTU's per cord. A lot of folks invested in high efficiency wood stoves during the Y2K scare and now are glad they did.

This year a gift certificate for firewood might be the ideal gift for friends and family who have a fireplace or stove. We have oak, pinon pine, ponderosa pine, hickory, cedar (juniper), and a hardwood mix. If you like smoking meat, try our mesquite, hickory or apple hardwoods. Chefs metro-wide prefer our hardwoods.



Firewood

City Mix

Best value! Mixture of wood that has been cut down around town.
1/8 cord \$30
1/4 cord \$50

Oak

Hot, long burning. Great for home heating.
1/8 cord \$75
1/4 cord \$140

Cedar

Wonderfully fragrant, native red cedar. Great for a romantic evening.
1/8 cord \$40
1/4 cord \$75
1/2 cord \$150
Full cord \$275

Measurements

1/8 cord: 4x4x1
1/4 cord: 4x4x2
1/2 cord: 4x4x4
full cord: 4x4x8

Pinon Pine

Very fragrant, harder pine.
1/8 cord \$65
1/4 cord \$125

Mesquite

Great for smoking.
Stick \$1.50
1/8 cord \$85

Bundled Wood

Hardwood \$3.50
Cedar \$3.50
Hickory \$4.99
Chimineia \$4.99

1/4 cord minimum for delivery

Georgia Fatwood

Ideal kindling for hardwoods.
1 stick is enough to start a fire.
.99 per pound

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Pottery Blowout 30% Off

We have a great selection of ceramic and terracotta pottery and it's on **SALE** for 30% off. Our shipments from China, Malaysia, Indonesia and Vietnam have arrived and look great.

Check out the new Chen Yang "Tropical Colors" for something different. Stock up now for spring while they are on sale. Also check out our selection of ceramic saucers. Specialty pots, such as bonsai pots and ceramics by local artists, are also on sale.

Tropical Plants

Timberline Gardens' horticulturists work hard to bring you the choicest plants from around the world. Our collection of tropical plants includes rare foliage varieties as well as a great selection of unusual succulents. We have amazing tropical flowering plants like **Brugmansia** (the Angel's Trumpet), **orchid cacti** and a wonderful **Begonia** collection.



Why Buy Your Christmas Tree at Timberline Gardens?

You just can't find fresher Christmas trees than the ones at Timberline Gardens. We are well known for our native cut **concolor fir** trees which are far and beyond the longest lasting cut trees you'll find anywhere. We receive concolor firs from southern Colorado's mountains as well as from plantations in Michigan. The native firs have layered branches ideal for old-fashioned heavy ornaments. The plantation firs are bushier and out-compete any other plantation tree for fragrance and longevity. Our customers who have tried the concolors ALWAYS come back for more.

Our other most popular cut tree is the **Frasierfir**. Its deep green, fragrant needles can't be beat for that traditional Christmas tree look. Also northern grown, Frasiere will hold up very well compared to other species. We sell more Frasiere than any other variety.

When you walk into Timberline's tree lot, you'll notice something different. All of our Christmas trees are standing up in water! Most other tree lots are on sunny, windy parking lots where the trees dry out very quickly. If they get their trees from the NORTHWEST, they aren't tough enough to stand up to our dry air so when you take it home, the tree quickly fades. If you haven't been happy with your trees in the past, try one from Timberline Gardens.

New Christmas Tree Watering System

The hottest thing this year in the live Christmas tree realm is a new automatic watering system called the **Ever-Green Watering System**.

The reservoir is shaped like a Christmas present and has a tube that goes to the tree stand to keep it full. It's much easier to fill the "present" than to reach under the tree and beyond the gifts to see if the tree needs water. How many times have

you let a tree go dry only to find the needles falling off in a few days? For \$19.95 you can buy this little bit of insurance and not have to worry.

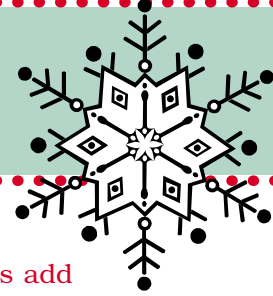
Give Your Christmas Tree a Present...

- ★ Eliminates daily Christmas tree watering
- ★ Saves you from crawling under the tree, rearranging presents, and spilling water
- ★ Reduces fire danger
- ★ Keep your tree fresh and fragrant for much longer
- ★ Disguised as a present!



Every year more and more people buy live, potted Christmas trees. We offer various pines and spruce trees from three feet to eight feet high. We recommend that you keep your new tree outdoors until just before Christmas. Then, bring it inside for only a few days. Place it back outside in a sheltered spot when temperatures are above freezing. Plant it in the ground as soon as possible. If appropriate, dig the planting hole in advance of the holidays before the ground is frozen. Cover the hole with a piece of plywood so that no one falls in! Now you can enjoy your tree for years to come.

Special Events and Savings...



New Book From Marilyn Raff

December 1, 2005 is the debut date for Marilyn Raff's highly awaited book, "Ornamental Grasses for the Western Garden". Ornamental grasses are among the most popular elements of contemporary gardens. Many are also water-wise additions to the western garden, key plants in drier climates where environmental factors can be extreme at times.

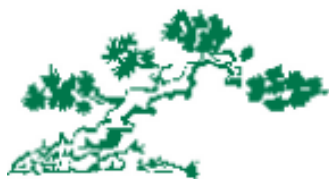
In a lively narrative that also entertains, Marilyn shows how these grasses, with their repetitive lines,

colors, textures, and various heights add beauty and function to any garden setting, whether baked by sun or shrouded in shade. The book also recommends exciting plant combinations with grasses using perennials, shrub roses and annuals. Accompanying the text are over 100 vivid color pictures.

Available at Timberline Gardens December 1, and nationwide after January 1. Great holiday gift giving!



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