

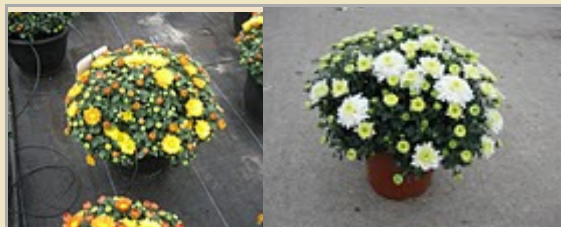


IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK:

- **Announcements:** Super Summer Sell-Off Sale continues
- **Plants of the week:** Crocosmia: Calluna vulgaris
- **Gardening Tips:** Serious new insect pest: **Spotted wing Drosophila**
- **B.C Fruit:** Beautiful big cannino peaches \$1/lb

Aug. 23rd E-NEWS

Open 9-6 daily, 1-5 on Sunday



Fall Mums arriving Thursday.

1 gal. pots ~ \$4.99

10" planter ~ \$9.99

Also on order: Super 6 pak Pansies: \$3.99



And **fall bulbs** will be arriving shortly. I haven't yet received confirmation of shipping date, but the fall bulbs should be arriving either late this week or early next week.

You have one more week to come in to check out the great deals in the giftware and garden décor clearance section in the greenhouse. Many people have commented that this is an amazing sale and I've seen quite a few going out with cart-loads of great buys!! (Did I mention that prices have been slashed by as much as 90 %?) We've got a few more items to put out so even if you've been in already, come in again to check out what's been added. This sale ends Aug. 31st.

'SUPER SUMMER SELL-OFF SALE'

Continues to Aug. 31

- all shrubs are 30% off (except Incrediball & Invincibelle Spirit hydrangeas, and Bloomerang lilacs)
- all ornamental & shade trees are 30% off
- all evergreens are 30% off
- all perennials are 30% off
- all pots are 30% off
- all garden gloves are 30% off
- all garden décor items not in the greenhouse clearance section are 30% off (including wind chimes, gazing globes, statuary and fountains - except Masserelli items)
- hummingbird feeders 50% off
- all wasp, mosquito, and fly traps are 25% off

Plants of the week: *Crocosmia*



The crocosmias, krow-KOZ-mee-ah (also known as montbretias), are colourful late-summer blooming bulbs native to South Africa. They are remarkably hardy provided they get good winter snow cover or deep mulching. I've grown the 'Lucifer' variety in my garden for the last five years with great success but they suffered badly this past winter without good snow-cover. A few survived and will, I hope, multiply to bring the patch back to full glory. We have crocosmias in the Perennials section, some in full bloom, and all are 30% off.



Calluna vulgaris

Late summer blooming heathers are popular in Coastal areas but many *Calluna vulgaris* varieties are perfectly hardy to Zone 5 and some even to Zone 4. Preferring to grow in full sun in well-drained acidic soil, heathers are very drought tolerant when established. Because they bloom when many other plants are past their best, heathers are a welcome addition to the fall garden. They're easy care plants requiring only a quick shearing of the spent blooms in either late fall or early spring. Be sure to add some powdered sulphur to the soil when planting to ensure that the soil is acidic. Many varieties of this evergreen sub-shrub also sport attractively coloured new foliage in spring. We have them in 4", 15cm and 1 gallon pots in the Perennial Groundcover section and all are just coming into bloom and are 30% off right now.

GARDEN TIPS: Nasty new fruit-fly to watch out for in your garden



Spotted wing *Drosophila*

While this 2-3mm long, brownish fruit fly with red eyes and clear wings doesn't look much different than other fruit flies, the damage it can do is much more extensive. Unlike other fruit flies which infest rotting or over-ripe fruit, the female spotted wing drosophila lays her eggs in sound fruit which then becomes unmarketable (or edible) when larvae hatch, feed and cause fruit to soften and rot. Discovered in B.C only last year, it is already spreading at an alarming rate throughout the milder areas of the province. With a potential for up to five generations per year, this fruit fly could quickly become a major pest in all fruit growing areas. The primary natural mode of spread is by wind because they are not strong fliers but human-caused spread (transporting infested fruit from one area to another) is of real concern. There is a very good brochure I would recommend you read or download at www.agf.gov.bc.ca/cropport/swd_brochure.pdf to help you identify this insect and learn what to look for, how to build an apple cider monitoring trap, and learn management practices. Fruit known to be susceptible to infestation are: fall raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, grapes, cherries and stone fruit. If this insect is allowed to become established in B.C, many sectors of the fruit industry, as well as back yard gardens will be affected. The first precautionary notices started going out only late last fall and the tone of more recent notices is becoming more and more panicked. Spotted wing drosophila may be small but has the potential, almost overnight, to be a major insect pest here. It's up to all of us to make sure that doesn't happen.

MORE GREAT BUYS IN THE STORE:



All fun and funky 'Field of Flowers' ceramics and glassware **NOW 1/2 PRICE**

Top quality European paper napkins
40% off

All 'Taste of the Okanagan' sauces
40% off



CANNING PEACHES (18 lb. or more):
\$1.00/lb.

To help you put up the harvest, we stock:

- Canning tool sets**
- Strainers**
- Bean frenchers**
- Apple parer/slicers**
- Juicer/steamers**
- Mortar and Pestal sets**

From the orchard:

BLACKBERRIES: \$3.99 pint (U-pick available: \$3.00/lb. Please call ahead to book a time.)

APPLES:

Sunrise(crunchy, sweet early apple)
89¢/lb

PaulaRed (like McIntosh but earlier) or **Earligold** (Transparent x Golden Delicious cross) Great for pies and applesauce
69¢/lb

CRABAPPLES: 99¢/lb

Whitney (sweet, best tasting, great for sugar-reduced jelly)

Transcendant (tart, astringent, great for jellies and cider)

PEACHES: 'Fresh off the tree and juicy as can be'

15lb. - \$16.00

Jam peaches 25¢/lb.

Happy gardening,
Harriet

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