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Welcome to Our Happiness Zone and "The Power of the Flower"

Welcomewelcome to Springtime 2023 and The Good Life!

I decided to dedicate this season's edition to my late father Dan Waldby, whom I had to say good bye to a few months ago. For over 20 years my dad was Beaver Bark's bulk material intown delivery driver. He was known as Grandpa to the staff, and he called them "Honey". In his later years, he especially enjoyed "strolling" in his walker through the outdoor shopping area at Beaver Bark, and marveled at the beauty surrounding him and the changing

seasons of life. He was always so proud of us. I am happy we got to spend those precious times together, building a bond and a business day by day over those

20 years... Dad, I miss you every day.



Renae and Jackie, having a "Dahlia-ing" of a good time in Great Britain at the International Garden Center Conference.

I believe it was my grandparents' gardening planted the seeds that took root in my heart. That love grew into a family business going on 30 years now and is still growing strong. One of my fondest memories with my grandmother was picking a bouquet of bachelor buttons she had planted, and watching her get so excited to put her gift into

Dan Waldby

a vase. I can vividly recall the excitement, joy and happiness the flowers gave her... and myself. It

> brings happiness to see my grandchildren now working in the garden center learning about the power of the flower.

> The activity of gardening, from planting and nurturing, to picking and eating, can bring a more calm and relaxing approach to

life, and time seems to move a little slower.

We hear so often how

our guests simply love to "Spend time" in the garden center, and how makes them better, and happiness often happens. That's the power of the flower and the "Nature Fix". From gloom to bloom is natural medicine.

We hope you can stop by to enjoy our Springtime

Celebration on Earth Day, April 22nd, and mingle with us other plant lovers, enjoy some live music, and get your happiness on!

Everyone needs inspiration, and all of us at Beaver Bark work towards that goal every day of inspiring you with fresh ideas, quality products, and healthy locally grown plants to help beautify your own home and garden's Happiness Zone.

Here's to The Good Life!



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cutting gardens are in vogue, & strawflowers Keep It fresh!

Bring sunshine to your garden spaces with these super easy to grow Strawflowers. A tough Australian native, it loves our Summer heat and is a butterfly's favorite.

It's nearly the perfect cut flower with its unusual papery feeling flowers that last and last in a vase. The *Granvia* series is a great choice we're growing in our greenhouses, with its super-sized, remarkably big blooms that pair well in larger, sunny containers. Feed them weekly to enjoy even more flowers from this new hybrid of Bracteantha.

Check out the bright and cheery color selection we are offering of these drought-tolerant additions for your patio, porches and decks to create beautiful, fresh arrangements you'll enjoy for a looong time.









Turn Up the Heat, Because They're Back!

In 1987, orange petunias were created by a team of plant breeders in Cologne, Germany. Fun fact: it can take up to ten years (or longer from the initial crossing between pollination and a mother plant), to bring a plant to market. For professionals, it's an expensive, long-term undertaking for new varieties to become available. But... because they weren't registered properly with the USDA, in the Spring of 2017 all growers (including Beaver Bark), were required to destroy all their orange petunias.

Five years later, vivid orange

petunias are back, and they're legal! But not just any ol' orange... these unique neon colors of the *Hells* series has created a tremendous amount of interest once again. We were able to get our hands on a few hundred in 2022, and they sold out in *two weeks!*

These heat-seeker and sun-lovers have the brightest blooms we've ever seen, and will make your container gardens absolutely glow with color. We're growing five different flamin' hot

varieties of the series for 2023! (Forge is our fave!)











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Polyage attention they get in 202
The Annual of the ...and attention they get in 2023 because Celosia has been chosen as The Annual of the Year by The National Gardening Bureau. A great beginner's plant and so unique with their brightly colored and durable flowers. Thriving in full sun after the chance of frost is gone, their traditional color palette of bright yellows, warm oranges, scarlet reds, and intense purples will take your Summer container gardens right into the fall season. First Flame is among one of the newest varieties we are growing for you this year. Exotic-looking vibrant flowers will **FLAMMA ORANGE** FLAMMA SCARLET

instantly enhance the mood and appeal of your outdoor spaces.

Imagine what a show they can make in the hands of someone who loves plants and has an artistic flair, yet is able to be successfully grown with little attention, igniting its year in the limelight as the 2023's Annual of the Year.

Try a crafting project by enjoying these "show offs" as dried flowers by just hanging cut bouquets upside down for 2 weeks.

Also Safe for dogs who like snacking on flowers!

This dracula loves sunshinel

We're absolutely biting back the puns with this Celosia! It's named after the famous vampire because it turns blood red in the sun, but we all know no vampire can tolerate sun. We can guarantee this won't turn to ash as soon as you bring it



Is this Mirage Salvia Real, or Fantasy?

oh, it's real.

Here at Beaver Bark, we're excited to share this particular *Salvia* with you because it is so compact. Unlike other *Salvia*'s that can get bushy and three to four feet tall, these full-sun hummingbird magnets top out at one foot tall. It is a borderline-hardy perennial at Zone 7a, and has a nice long bloom time of March to October.

Beautiful in containers or in the ground, these continuously showy bloomers offer different colors for some intense flower power. It'll be hard for you to pick a favorite, so leave some space to plant a bouquet, and be on the lookout for those hummers!













Look No Further Than Your Own Back Yard for a Masterpiece Arrangement!



Here's a few tips:

For the best staying power, cut your stems earlier in the mornings. Ideally, your stems should be 8", long depending on the vase size. Use sharp pruning shears instead of scissors that can damage stems. Remove all foliage below water line. Place cuttings in slightly warm water asap.

Change out the vase with plain water every other day to extend the arrangement's life.

Cut more than you think you'll might need, it's easier to make arrangements when you have more on hand.



1.Peony - The foliage is terrific to use in arrangements, as well as the blooms.

2. Yarrow.= Remove leaves and get into water as soon as possible.

3. Hydrangea = Look for fully matured blooms from various varieties for shape, color and contrast.

4. Blazing Star - Blooms July to September for an excellent Summertime choice. 5. Roses - Cut in tight bud when just a

hint of color is showing. 6. Ninebark - Holds up extremely well

and has a long bloom time.











WE'RE SHOWCASING THE HEART OF THE FLOWER GARDEN WITH THESE 'SCENTSATIONAL' ROSES



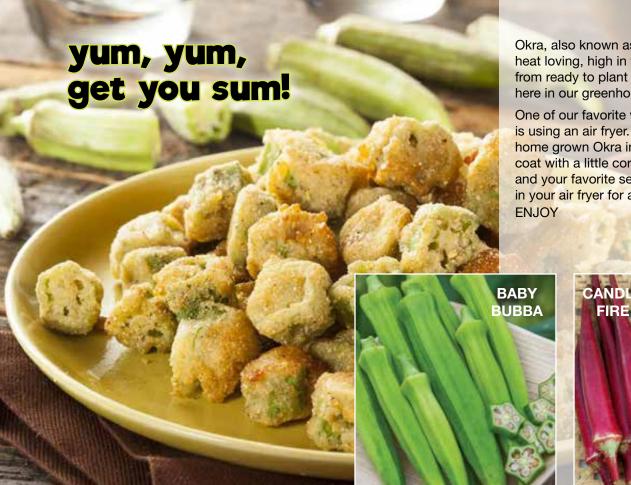
This 1965 All-America
Rose Selection winner is
considered by many to be
the best red rose, ever. The
large pointed buds and rich,
red well-formed blooms
have a velvety quality that's
paired with a powerful
damask scent (very flowery
and sweet). Vigorous, tall
and proud, with long stems
& dark green leaves.

The creaminess of this hybrid tea rose will knock you over with its powerful citrus and old-fashioned rose scent. Big pointed buds spiral open to show off broad petals of the purest white that last. Black-green leaves make the bloom pop even more. Good rebloom, vigor & long stems make this a perfect cutting rose.

One of the best hybrid teas for clear, rich yellow color, this is a fitting tribute to the Oscar winning actor, and definitely one you won't want to miss. Borne on long, 18- to 22-inch stems that are ideal for cutting, these deep yellow blooms are mildly scented with a clean, sweet fragrance. This rose shows remarkable vigor and disease resistance.

Winner of the All-America Rose Selection Award in 1974, this rich, deep rose-pink beauty produces elegant buds that open into large, double, 5-in blooms. Solitary blooms are borne on long stems for cutting and emit a strong, heady, old damask rose fragrance.





Okra, also known as "lady fingers" are heat loving, high in fiber and potassium from ready to plant "starts" grown right here in our greenhouses.

One of our favorite ways to cook okra is using an air fryer. After cutting your home grown Okra into 1" size chunks, coat with a little corn starch, olive oil, and your favorite seasoning. Cook in your air fryer for about 20 minutes



cutiemelons are snackalicious!

Whatever you call them: Mexican Gherkins, Mouse Melons or Cucamelons, these are tiny, grape sized fruit that love to climb up to ten feet with their tendrils.

They have hit the top of our "Must grow" veggy list as one of the cutest and most interesting, and yet have been around for hundreds of years. They look like a baby watermelon with a lemony finish. They are self-pollinating, rich in lycopene, beta carotene, minerals, vitamins K, E, C, and fiber.

Harvesting frequently will encourage more fruit production, and be sure you give them something to climb on to show off their cute yellow flowers!



Edible? Incredible!

Most people know nasturtiums as an annual garden plant, but nasturtium leaves and flowers are also tasty. They're one of the best edible flowers to grow, with the leaves offering a peppery flavor that adds a certain zing. The flowers add less pepper and more floral, along with the bright pop of color. Use them right off the plant, and they'll make a splash in salads, appetizers and even in cocktails. You can even make a compound butter. Get creative, and have fun testing recipes!

Alaska Variegated

This heirloom offers a bounty of pretty, peppery, multi-hued flowers and tender young leaves that delight the eye and palate. These are compact plants with splashy variegated foliage. Adds a fun factor to dishes.



Long awaited and more than a decade in the making, this nasturtium is nothing short of sensational. Instead of their usual rounded shape, the petals of this bloom are serrated, like flames. We love it so much!

Baby Rose

This 2019 AAC award winner is a great compact nasturtium that keeps its color. The rose color is uncommon in nasturtiums and contrasts beautifully with the dark-green foliage.



Nasturti-Yum!



We're Bringing **Good Times** Right to You!

These slushie mixes are just the thing to get a party started! They're exciting, easy to make, and always a hit. Just use the mix and the liquid ingredient each mix requires. No ice is needed to make them, so they can be served anywhere! We love a great over-21 Summer drink idea.



Adult Flavored Good Times Pop-Tails Kits Are Convenient, Portable, and of Course, Delish!

Adult ice pops are a fun, new way to bring over-21 treats to a summer bbq, a tailgating party, or to gift to those who love sweet, frozen drinks. Just add the liquid ingredient, freeze, and enjoy! Each kit comes with 5 flavors:

Margarita Twist Peach Bellini Pina Colada **Lemon Drop Blueberry-Pomagranate**





In Japan, *Acer Palmatums* have a long history of autumn foliage appreciation. Just as cherry blossoms are a symbol of spring, autumn leaves are known as "Koyo", meaning "The phenomenon of changing colors". A favorite pastime in Japan is "Hunting for the most brilliant autumn foliage".

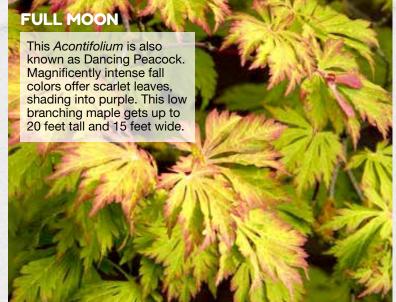
Often referred to as an "Under-story tree" in forests, they grows best in dappled sunlight and planted where they'll be

protected from the hot wind in summer conditions.

Today, there are more than 250 cultivars, grown worldwide. Cold-hardy and low maintenance, the all-season interest and spectacular fall color will not disappoint the "Koyo".

We have highlighted seven of our favorite varieties here, but have over 25 cultivars to show you in a variety of tree size, leaf sizes, color and shape. Arigato.







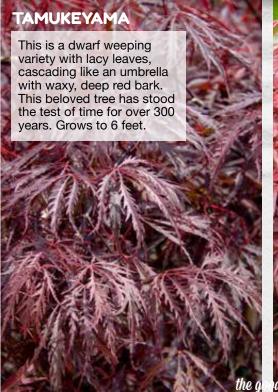
MIKAWA YATSUBUSA

Chartreuse in the spring that turns fiery red in the fall. It's very slow growing, to 4 feet tall, and great for a container. The Japanese Maple society honored it with the very first "Maple of the Year" award.

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now."

- Chinese proverb

This maple is unique because of its rare and striking yellow bark that really stands out in the winter landscape all year round. Its light green foliage turns to yellow too in autumn.





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This Smart Diffuser Brings So Much New Game to Home Fragrance!



Got Koi?

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Floating Plants provide shade for the fish, filter the water, and absorb extra nutrients.

Emergent Plants grow up from the bottom and spread on top of the water. They also provide cover, shade, and break down nutrients algae thrive on.

Marginal Plants benefit ponds indirectly. They collect nutrients on the sides of your pond before they can feed algae.

Bog Plants grow best in soil that is consistently moist, but not completely wet or submerged.

Floating Plants



Floating water plants include Water Lettuce, Water Hyacinth, and Sensitive Plant.

Emergent Plants



This type of plant includes Water Lilies, Moneywort, Bacopa, Rushes, and others.

Marginal Plants (Perennial and Annual)



These include Marsh Marigolds, grasses and ferns, Spiderwort, Cannas, Monkey Flower and more.

Bog Plants



This type of plant includes Flag Iris, Cattail, Bog Bean, Society Garlic, Creeping Jenny, and others.



Ratana offers an impressive array of unique outdoor furniture, timeless in design and exceptional in quality. Ranging from traditional to contemporary, their pieces cater to any style and setting to enhance luxury lifestyle living.

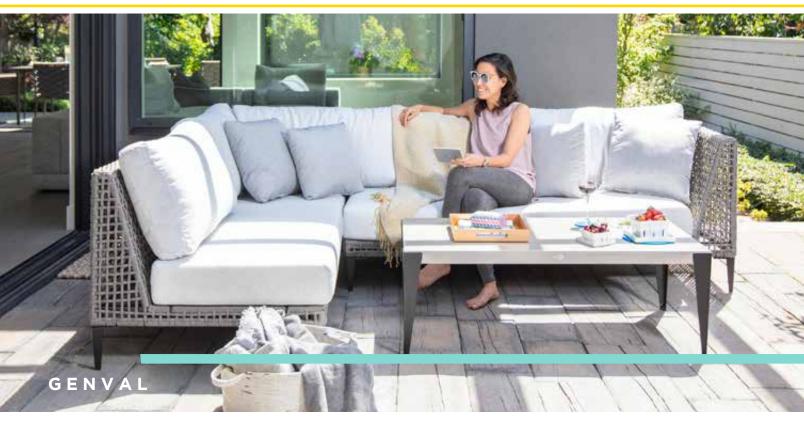
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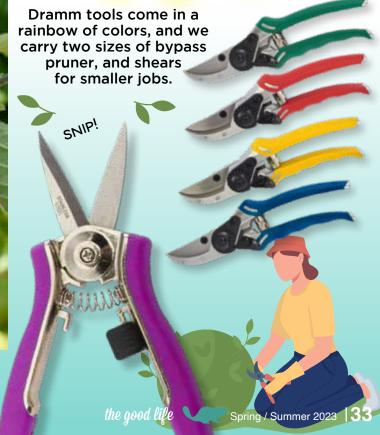
Outdoor Rug Season Is Here, and There's Something for Everyone.

Spring is here, and perhaps it time to get your new outdoor rug to enjoy for the warmer weather. We have a lovely selection of rugs for you here at Beaver Bark, with styles and colors we think you'll love!

Ishen It's Time to Prune, We've Got You Covered!



Burgon & Ball gardening gloves combine fashion with function, and add just a touch of luxury. Lots of styles are available!



Back for 2023!

MAKE & TAKE FAIRY MINIATURE GARDEN WORKSHOPS

Little is BIG! Back again this Spring by popular demand, we are hosting Make & Take Fairy/Miniature Garden Workshops.

It's a perfect date for the creative child, grandchild or just a fun hour with the ladies. Join our expert garden designers Kelly or Aubrey, Saturdays and Sundays in April and May, to create your own garden to take home.

Class is only \$40.00, and includes container, soil, two plants, pathway pebbles, up to four decorative accessories (including a fairy house*), all with hands-on instruction. Optional decorative items are also available.

*Fairy house and accessories are from a supplied selection.

Class sizes are limited to ten each slot.

Call 946-1000 or go to beaverbark.com/classes-events to book.

New for 2023!

We're now booking a private space for birthdays, teambuilding parties, or anything else you want to host here.

> Call us at 946-1000 for party booking details, available dates, and rates.





ONLY CIRCLED DATES ARE AVAILABLE

Join Us! Saturdays @11am • Sundays @1pm

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Miniature garden figures, accessories and houses are always available to freshen up your garden for a new look!





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