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What's On



Time to Plant Everlastings

As the weather cools and the first decent autumn rains fall, it is the perfect time to plant your everlasting daisy seeds. They can be planted as late as August, but may have a shorter flowering stem. Try mixing the seeds in with a bag of soil improver and then spreading this on some cleared and raked soil. Remember to water your seedlings if there are gaps between the autumn rains.



Queensland Fruit Fly Detected in Bayswater

This pest poses a significant threat to the agriculture industry, so DPIRD are aiming to eradicate it from WA. As such we need to monitor for the fruit fly, and report using the MyPestGuide app. Within 15km from Bayswater there is a restriction on selling plants with certain fruits on them. So we will be pruning off any fruits from lilly pillies, chillies, citrus and blueberries.

300 known Qfly host plants



Perth Garden and Outdoor Living Festival

Perth's largest and longest running garden festival is back at Langley Park, from 11th of May to Mother's Day 14th of May. You will find many plant stalls and inspiring garden talks. A main attraction is the impressive show gardens. We will be there only as visitors this year, but plan to set up a display for the 2024 show.



Kids Potting On Workshop

Bring your kids in for a potting on workshop with Janine. \$10 includes a take home pot, plant, soil and mulch (value \$20). Learn all about what plants need to grow and how to look after them. Kids under 6 need parent supervision. **10am, Saturday 6th of May.** Cost \$10, proceeds to Kanyana. **RSVP 08 9454 6260**

Welcome to Autumn

It has been a long dry summer with very little rainfall in the Perth region. We welcome autumn as do the birds in the garden, enjoying crisp mornings and the prospect of rain. Autumn is one of the best times to plant as the soil still retains some warmth. We have an exciting offering of new plants coming through, including the Kings Park 'Celebration' range of kangaroo paws. We hope you enjoy these new hybrids as much as we do.

Happy autumn gardening.

Ross, Jackie, Alec and the team at Zanthorrea.

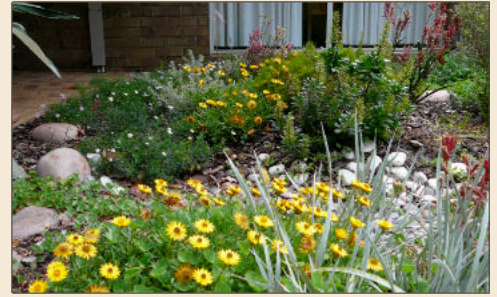
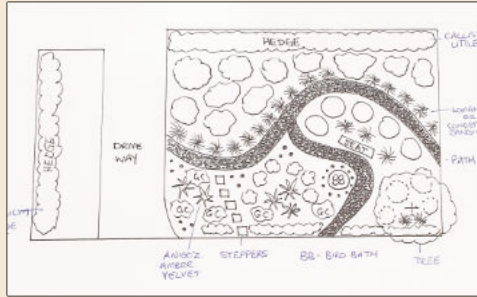


Garden Releaf Day

We had a fantastic day Sunday the 19th of March celebrating the start of the gardening season and all the benefits gardens bring to our lives. A big thanks to Eric McCrum for talking about the birds in the garden, to the Black Chooks for the lively music, to Kanyana for bringing down the animals and to all the volunteers who donated their time. We raised \$770 for Mito Foundation.



Planning your Garden



Preparing your Soil

Autumn has arrived and with it the Noongar season of Djeran. With care, appropriate watering and a little luck your garden has made it through the summer. Over the holidays you have had time to think about what changes you would like to make in your garden this year.

The weather is now cooling off and the first rains are on their way. In WA this is the ideal time to plant - the ground is still warm but it is not so hot that plants will get scorched or need lots of watering. By planting early in Autumn you give your new plants around nine months to put down roots and get established before their first summer.



Bare earth is the enemy of good soil. Anywhere you can't cover with plants, try and cover with a good chunky mulch such as recycled tree prunings. This will protect the soil from sunlight, drying winds and the compacting effects of rain. The mulch will also reduce the number of weeds through winter and spring. As always follow our planting guide for the best results and remember to enjoy your garden. - Murray

Mud Map Plans

Garden plans don't have to be complex. Even a very simple plan can have a great benefit when choosing which plants go where. To start, get some details down on paper like the orientation (NSEW), soil type and soil pH. Then look at areas you want to have shade or screening.

Create paths to different areas of the garden, and create zones with a theme.

Play Zone: This area would include play equipment, rocks and old wood beams to climb on. Maybe include an area of lawn for the kids to play on and surround with sensory plants that will create interest points.



Outback Garden Zone:

This is one of the drier waterwise gardens that doesn't require as much maintenance. Include desert loving plants, gravelly areas, old water tanks or vintage farm equipment for an outback farm look.

Desert loving plants include: Eremophila sp, Chamelaucium sp, Calothamnus sp and wattles.

Cottage Garden Zone:

Think a mix of colour all growing together. A lush more vibrant garden where you choose colours and fit in lots of plants. Chorizema sp, Olearia sp, Ozothamnus sp, low grevilleas, Pimelea sp and kangaroo paws all look good in a cottage garden.



Formal Garden Zone:

There is something peaceful and pleasing with an orderly formal garden. Look for plants that lend themselves well to pruning: Syzygium sp, bottlebrush, Westringia sp, Baeckea sp and Sannantha 'Summer Stars'. You can also add in areas of lawn, paving, and paths with arches to invite.



Sannantha 'Summer Stars'

This hardy Australian native plants is a perfect addition to a formal garden. An excellent plant for hedging and topiary. They can be kept anywhere from 1m to 3m in height and width with regular pruning, and have very few pest problems. A Zanthorrea favourite!



Autumn Gardening



would look fabulous grown in a pot with our Zanthorrea potting mix.



Banksias

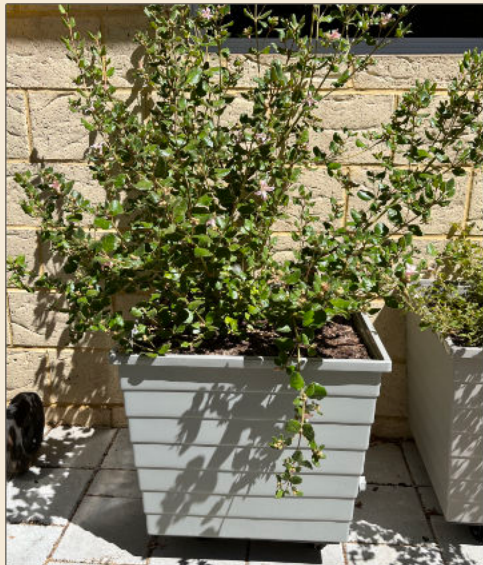
Banksias are amazing! These ancient plants are uniquely Australian and a crowd favourite. Gardeners, naturalists and artists enjoy and are inspired by the diversity of foliage, colours, textures and magnificent flowers and fruit. They also provide habitat and food for nectar feeding birds, insects and animals.

We have some wonderful West Australian Banksia species in stock at present.

Banksia sessilis (Parrot bush), Banksia attenuata (Slender banksia), Banksia menziesii (Firewood banksia), Banksia media, Banksia grandis, Banksia praemorsa, Banksia nivea (Honey pot banksia) and Banksia blechnifolia to name a few. -Clare

WaterUps

A new range of self watering pots using a wicking system has arrived at Zanthorrea. These pots have a 1.7L reservoir and can keep your plants alive and thriving for weeks without any additional hand watering.



Potatoes are now in Store!

One of the most enjoyable veggie crops to harvest with kids is the good old potato. Make sure you mix plenty of organic matter in your soil, along with organic fertilisers for the best results.

Planting Tubestock

Autumn and Winter are great times to plant the 50mm tubestock starter plants. They will need a little regular water as they have a smaller root system, but before you know it they will be putting on strong growth. We have a wide range in stock now, and fresh deliveries of new species each week. Pop in for a browse.

We have tested WaterUps and found they work very well. Have a look at these beauties after just 6 months of growth. Top photo is of the lemon myrtle and the middle photos is of Correa alba pink. Wheels are also available to move your plants around on level ground.

When choosing a Banksia to plant, a few considerations need to be made to ensure you make the best selection, to increase your success. Understanding the climatic conditions eg, extreme heat, cold or humidity levels. Understanding the soil it is to be planted in eg clay, sand or gravel and finally the pH ie limestone, neutral or acidic can be beneficial. Armed with this knowledge the chances of success are greatly increased.

If unsure come and chat to our staff and we'll try pick the best banksia to survive in your spot. Alternatively there are dwarf forms and prostrate forms that



Gifts for a Gardener



Decorative Cover Pots

We have a wide range of decorative cover pots that add an aesthetic element to indoor plants. They also make a beautiful gift with a well chosen plant.

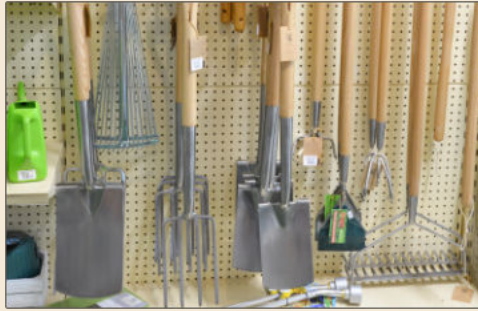


Ashwood by Ryset

We have a wide range of practical premium stainless steel garden tools that also make an excellent gift. Prices start at \$13.95 for the hand tools.



Stainless steel garden hand tools.



Larger stainless steel garden tools.



Oven Mitts

Bring artwork into your kitchen with these Australian themed oven mitts. They make a great gift for your interstate or international travellers, or why not spoil yourself. \$17.95 each.



Tea towels and towels

Starting at \$10.95, we have a wide range of tea towels and beach towels. Particularly popular is the Blue Wrens tea towel.



Winter Seeds

You will be spoilt for choice when it comes to picking which seeds you want to germinate for this winter growing season. Select organic, open-pollinated and heirloom seeds, now available from Eden Seeds and Seed Station.



March is a great time to sow beetroot, broad beans, brussel sprouts, cauliflower, Chinese vegetables, cabbage varieties, leeks and lettuces.

Growing from seed is fun, rewarding and for most part easy. If you want to experiment and try germinating from seed, come in store and our friendly staff can help ensure you have some success. Warning it's an addictive pursuit. (Hobby.) - Clare



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