



The Nurturing Leaves

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The Victory Garden Visits the Nursery



Be sure to watch
The Victory Garden on
MPTV Channel 10,
Friday, Sept. 10
at 2:30 p.m. and
Saturday, Sept. 11
at 7 a.m.



The view looking out from the Bayside residence, which received a Victory Garden makeover with the help of Johnson's Nursery.

Diabolo® Ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Monlo')

Height: 8-10' Spread: 8-10'

Selected from Germany, Diabolo® ninebark has arching branches and an upright rounded form. The leaves are a dark reddish purple. In June, pink flower buds open to creamy white flowers which contrast nicely against the foliage. After flowering, the plant displays interesting red seed capsules. The purple foliage color is best in full sun.

Diabolo® ninebark makes a nice alternative to purple leaf sand cherry (*Prunus x cistena*) because it is more adaptable to poor soil conditions. It works great in a border and makes an excellent screen or hedge.



Rich burgundy foliage of Diabolo®



Seed capsules of Diabolo® ninebark

This past July the popular PBS series, "The Victory Garden" came to Johnson's Nursery to film an episode in which a Bayside residence received a landscape makeover.

Landscape architect, Dennis Buettner, of Buettner & Associates, was contacted by the show's host, Michael Weishan, to develop a new landscape plan for a typical suburban ranch home. Our horticulturist, Bill Reichenbach, oversaw a crew of four who worked approximately 5 days on the project to install the new plants and 18 tons of stonework, which was a major feature of the new landscape. The limestone was provided by Halquist Stone Co. of Sussex.

Bill and his team were at work on the site even before the film crew arrived doing removals, repairing brickwork and preparing planting beds.



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Septoria Leaf Spot

Client Questions?

I always have had beautiful Black-Eyed Susans but this summer they had unsightly black spots on the leaves and the stems turned black, what went wrong?

It sounds like your Black-Eyed Susans were possibly hit with a leaf spot disease. Throughout the Midwest, septoria leaf spot has become an increasing problem on *Rudbeckia fulgida* even on Goldstrum Rudbeckia which previously had good disease resistance. It typically starts as small dark-brown spots (1/8 to 1/4 inch in diameter) first appearing on the lower leaves and later developing on the upper leaves. The fungal spores are spread by splashing water. In Fall, clean up and remove the infected leaves from the area. It also helps to increase air circulation by dividing and thinning your plants and avoiding overhead watering.

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Buettner's Asian infused design successfully blends the contemporary lines of the ranch style home with a touch of arts and crafts. The front entry features a rock garden with a dry stream bed of Mississippi River stone. The rock garden includes a Japanese tree lilac, apple serviceberry, Redwing™ viburnum, White Dome hydrangea, Pennsylvania sedge, variegated solomon seal, Hess cotoneaster and dwarf Japanese garden juniper. Other planting areas spotlight a specimen 10' Tina crabapple, Tiger Eyes™ cutleaf staghorn sumac, interrupted fern, Golden Guinea kerria and vernal witchhazel all provided and installed by Johnson's Nursery. *JS*

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Bill Reichenbach and Dennis Buettner with Victory Garden Host, Michael Weishan (center)



Entry container displays annuals and tropicals.



The front entry rock garden combines limestone boulders and Mississippi River stone.

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Questions?

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Dreamy Daylilies

Daylilies, have been referred to by some as the perfect perennial. They are available in an amazing array of colors, shapes and sizes. For those of you who find a walk through the shampoo aisle overwhelming, an unbelievable 52,000 cultivars are listed by the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS). Of course not all those cultivars are suitable for our climate, to help narrow your choices and make life simpler, we grow approximately 30 cultivars.

Daylilies are one of the easiest perennials to grow. They do best in full sun to part shade. They prefer moist well drained soil but are tolerant of a wide range of soil conditions including heavy clay. Once established they are drought resistant. Even when they're not in bloom, the cultivars that we grow have been selected for their clean summer foliage. And if all that isn't enough to earn the title of the perfect perennial they are generally disease and insect free, with only occasional problems with aphids, spider mites or thrips.

Most cultivars bloom between two and four weeks during late June and July, but some cultivars rebloom from early summer until fall. Those that rebloom include: Happy Returns, Little Cadet, Stella D'Oro and Pardon Me.

Daylilies can be planted anytime during the growing season while the ground is workable. They usually need dividing every five or six years. The repeat blooming types may need more frequent division about every three years. The ideal time to divide them is in early fall after flowering has slowed down. *KS*



New Peach Parfait



Corryton Pink



Siloam June Bug



Little Cadet



Pardon Me



Mary Todd



Summer Wine



Dragon's Mouth



Parson's Choice



New Falling Star



Orange Beauty



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