

Go Away Wind!

Take extra care to protect your annuals, tomatoes, and peppers in this cool wind. Although it is well above freezing temperatures, this cold wind is incredibly hard on the annual plant material. None of them have been hardened off yet, so they will need to be brought inside or at least set on the ground with a bit of protection over the next few days.

Get the Hang of Houseplants



Prayer Plant



Bromeliad



Bromeliad



Tiger Fern

Care for your new houseplants:

Bromeliad:

The unique cup in the middle of this plant adds an interesting look to your houseplant collection. In its native habitat the cup would collect rain water to help the plant survive.

Airplant Bromeliads (not pictured here) are often epiphytic and cling to trees or other structures (gardeningknowhow.com). They are not parasitic, meaning they like to perch and gather a bit of sun and water.

As indoor plants, the Bromeliads pictured here prefer a medium light and their soil should be kept moist, but not soaking. A good way to gauge that would be to water when the top two inches of soil become dry. Change the water out of the cup every few weeks to keep it fresh from debris, rot, and bugs.

Prayer Plant:

This unique plant gets its name by folding its leaves that move inward at night, mimicking hands in prayer. Marantaceae, the prayer plant family, is of the ginger order and is comprised of 550 species of this family. They are native to moist or swampy tropical forests, particularly in the Americas but also in Africa and Asia. Prayer Plant prefers bright indirect and a rich well drained soil.

Tiger Fern:

This brightly colored fern is part of the Boston Fern family. It would like average moisture without sitting in constant water. Tiger Fern does best in a shady area.

These highlights were just a little sample of lots of exciting plants. Stay tuned for more next week!

Read more at Gardening Know How: Growing A Bromeliad And How To Care For A Bromeliad Plant

<https://www.gardeningknowhow.com/houseplants/bromeliad/growing-bromeliad-plants.htm>

Information for Weekend Shopping:

1. It will be busy. No way around it. It will be May at a garden center. :) It is your favorite time at the garden, and ours. Please

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We cannot answer all of the phone calls with the amount of customers in the store. If you saw our Facebook post, you know it pains us to hear the phone ring and not get to it. **We apologize up front.**



Another beautiful plant from Monrovia.

Perennial Highlight:

Blue Marvel Salvia

We are in love with the size of these blooms!

It is also: drought tolerant, rabbit and deer resistant, shorter perennial great for middle of the garden

Zone 4

All perennials remain 20% off through May 1st!



Greenleaf Nursery

Tree Highlight:

Chimney Fire Oak

Have a narrow space needing a sturdy tree? 'Chimney Fire' meets your needs. Spring foliage is bright red with the growing tips remaining red through the summer. Fall color is rusty red. Chimney Fire grows to 60 feet in height with only a 20 foot spread.

Annual Plant Highlight:

Bleeding Heart Vine



Image credit: gardeningknowhow.com

Bleeding Heart Vine prefers good strong light and should be fertilized every two weeks.

Grown as an annual (or houseplant) in Iowa you should prune the plant intermittently to encourage new blooms.

It will twine itself around an obelisk or trellis in a container.

Thank you for your continued support during this time! You are allowing us to continue to do what we love, share our passion for gardening.

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