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# Nursery News November 2015

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# Season's Greetings!

**Christmas trees are here.** Beautiful Douglas firs and Grand firs, ranging in size from 2' to 12' and a few Noble firs and Scotch pines. These trees come from growers in Duncan and Mill Bay. Nothing says fresh like Island grown! Come and pay us a visit, pick out the perfect tree and warm up by the fire with a cup of our famous spiced cider and ginger snaps.



**Greenery Wanted** If you are having hedges or shrubs pruned, please keep us in mind. We need LOTS of Cedar, Fir, Cypress, Holly and other greenery for classes and other projects. We also need branches with colourful bark, berries or variegated foliage.

*Wreaths of all sizes* If it is convenient, please drop off clippings at the nursery. If it's

not, or there is a lot of material, please **call us at 250-656-0384** and we will pick it up.

**Wreaths to Go and DIY** Hand made by our talented staff, we have a great selection of unique wreaths and arrangement for both indoors and outdoors. We can also do custom orders.



Tiny Pots make good teacher gifts

If you like to make your own, you'll find everything you need for DIY decorating right here - wire frames, moss, bundles of greens and all the trimmings.

## **Seasonal Classes**

Wreaths: Classes start tomorrow and there have been a few cancellations at both 10am and 1pm. Some of the other classes are sold out, but there is room on these dates: Wed. Dec 02, 1pm, Mon. Dec 07, 10am, Fri. Dec. 11, 10am and Sat. Dec 12, 10am.

#### Please call 250-656-0384 to reserve a spot.

**Table Decorations:** Create a beautiful, long lasting table arrangement for a hall or coffee table, dining room or mantle. The Sunday class is full, but there is still room on Mon, Dec 14 at 1pm.

Cost is for both classes is \$40 + GST and includes all materials.

**Reminder:** Please bring hand pruners to these classes. We do have a few loaners if you don't have any.



## Linda Gilkeson - Back by Popular Demand!

We are delighted to announce that Linda will be speaking at **Russell Nursery on March 12, 2016.** There will be one class at 9:30am and a repeat class at 1pm.

Last year Linda covered the planning process for a 12 month garden, and this year will address key factors to ensure a bountiful harvest.

"Making the Most of your 12 Month Garden" Coping with variable weather and a changing climate; preventing disorders from heat and drought stress; managing key pests.

Last year's classes filled quickly, and space is limited, so please reserve your place by emailing the nursery: **russellnurseryoffice@telus.net** 

#### Cost is \$15.00, payable at the door



Winter is the best time to prune climbers. It's easy to see what needs to come out and what needs to be cut



Rabbits can do a lot of damage ...

And they aren't the only ones. There is a lot you can do between now and



'Archbishop Desmond Tutu' New From PanAm Roses

Bare root roses arrive in early February and the



# **Seasonally Adjusted Pots**

Instead of leaving beautiful pots empty or sad looking over the winter, use them to add some pizzazz to the "show piece" locations around your home: by the front door, for example, or where they can be seen from the most used rooms in the house.



Seasonally adjusted!

If pots have some permanent plants in them, fill in the gaps with cut branches of pine, cedar and holly. Add some



Cut branches in a big urn

drama with colourful, cut branches like red twig dogwood, black bamboo or contorted hazel. Big pots look particularly great with an 'over the top' look.

After the holidays take out the red berries if you like, but leave the rest. Cut evergreens stay fresh outside for a long time. In early spring replace the boughs with potted bulbs or primulas.

# **Gardener's Wish Lists**

Gardeners are the easiest people to buy for! With our ever-expanding interest in all things horticultural, we are readily pleased and easily delighted.

## For the veggie grower:

\*Heat mat, full-spectrum indoor lighting, quality recycled-plastictrays \*Linda Gilkeson's books \*Watering can or hose-end nozzles \*ProTekNet to keep the critters off the veggies \*Halls Greenhouse!!!





## For your favourite rosarian:

\*Tough gloves to resist thorns \*Felco pruners \*Gift certificate for "Rose of your choice"

# For the family pruner:

\*'Pruning & Training' Book

\* Felco saw, secateurs or holster.

## For the littlest gardeners in the family:

\*kid-sized gloves \*small but real tools \*watering cans, because every kid loves to water

#### For anyone who loves gardening:

\*Gift certificate, for any amount. Gift boxes free.

#### For the birds in your yard:

\*Bird feeders like this Eco Feeder, made in England from 100% recycled materials!





### Happy Holidays from all of us to all of you!



Russell Nursery is the authorized BC distributor for Halls English Greenhouses, which come in a variety of sizes. Many of the models are set up at the nursery. For information, please visit our website

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