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**Bayport Flower Houses, Inc.**  
940 Montauk Highway, Bayport NY 11705  
631-472-0014 *Open 7 Days a Week*

**Summertime 2010**

# GARDENER

**Proudly Serving the Gardeners of Long Island Since 1932**



**“If you want to see the sunshine,  
you have to weather the storm.”**

~Frank Lane

Such a simple quote...yet so hard to accept. We'll keep it to plants and flowers but you could say that we've been weathering a storm for sometime and I'm beginning to think that you make your own sunshine.

Last Spring, it rained a lot...this year (*knock on wood*) we're seeing some good sunshine, great for the plants and great for the soul. As I'm sure you are all aware, some years are great gardening years, some not so. Take advantage of this good gardening year and try some new things. How about a great glazed Asian pot with an ever changing assortment of bloomers? It's sure to be an exclamation point in your landscape. Try asking us about planting a variety of perennials and shrubs that will spread out your blooming so you have something going on in the garden all season long.

Remember, too, that you can bring your garden inside by cutting some of the flowers or stopping in and picking up a field flower bouquet that's sure to bring the sunshine to life!

So take advantage of the sunny weather and of course our great specials and make your own sunshine!

Enjoy...Karl

P.S. If you want to add some excitement to your sunshine then bring the kids in for our annual Ladybug breakfast...you won't forget it...



## 2010 Ladybug Breakfast



Due to past popularity, we're again offering two chances to celebrate the annual release of our ladybugs at Bayport Flower Houses. Please join us on either Saturday, June 26 or Tuesday, June 29 (school's out!) at 9:00 am for some interesting information on these beneficial pests, a craft for the kids and some breakfast treats. Then help us release the ladybugs on all of our plants. Please call 472-0014 to reserve your spot (*no pun intended*)

Give Your  
**Lilacs**  
a boost for *Next Year*  
by pruning their  
dried flower buds this year!



## Looking To Get Your Hands Dirty?

**DIY ~ Honey Do ~ Weekend Warrior**  
Whatever you are known as, we've got the deal for you! Bring in your pictures, your ideas, and we'll help you pick out the right plants for your **Week-end Project!**

DO-IT-YOURSELF SPECIAL

# 25% OFF

Your Tree, Shrub,  
and/or Perennial  
Purchase  
of \$250 or more!

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# What's *Your* Style

Just like clothing, furnishings or food, you can have a preferred style for your garden. Maybe you feel the influence of Asia and would like a Japanese-themed garden. Or perhaps you enjoy the soothing & peace felt in an English meadow. Whatever your style, we've got the right plant material, the perfect pottery and the accents to make it all come together for you. Here are just a few suggestions to get you started on your own Garden Style Oasis.



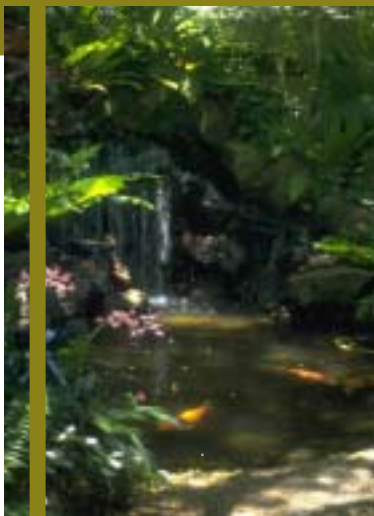
## Japanese

- Black Mondo Grass**,  
Ophiopogon planiscapus \$8.99
- Iris**, \$14.99
- Japanese Maple**,  
Acer palmatum, \$199.99
- Umbrella Bamboo**,  
Fargesia murielae, \$38.99
- 'Golden Hakone Grass'**  
Hakonechloa macra Alboaura, \$19.99
- Camellia**, \$33.99
- Boxwood**,  
Buxus sempervirens, \$19.99
- Japanese Cherry**,  
Prunus, \$69.99
- Japanese Andromeda**,  
Pieris, \$37.99
- Climbing Hydrangea**, \$69.99
- Glossy abelia**  
Abelia x grandiflora, \$49.99



## Cottage

- Monkshood**,  
Aconitum napellus, \$15.99
- Fernleaf Yarrow**  
Achillea filipendulina 'Cloth of Gold', \$16.99
- Sage**, Salvia x sylvestris, \$9.99
- Beard-tongue**  
Penstemon, 'Husker Red', \$12.99
- Jasmine**,  
Jasminum officinale, \$29.99
- Coneflower**,  
Rudbeckia fulgida, 'Goldsturm', \$8.99
- Peony**, Paeonia, \$31.99
- Great mullein**  
Verbascum, \$13.99
- Foxglove**,  
Digitalis, \$13.99
- Larkspur**,  
Delphinium, \$16.99
- Trumpet Vine**,  
Campsis \$33.99



## Jungle

- New Zealand Flax**,  
Phormium tenax, \$43.99
- Bergenia**,  
'Winterglow', \$13.99
- Cabbage tree**  
Cordyline australis, \$19.99
- Hosta**, from \$16.99
- Rodgersia**, \$37.99
- Coral Belles**,  
Heuchera, \$16.99
- Honey spurge**  
Euphorbia mellifera, \$19.99
- Clerodendrum**  
'Musical Notes', \$9.99

\*Prices & Availability may change. We've got plenty more suggestions, please don't hesitate to ask for assistance!



## Pearl On Break...

Oh, it's a cat's life here at Bayport Flower Houses! Thank to our customers, the DeVitas for this great shot!

New At The Counter..

**\$12.99**

## ZINCUTA OINTMENT

### Best Remedy known for:

CHAFES, BURNS, SORES,  
INSECT BITES, ECZEMA,  
ABRASIONS, CHAPPED HANDS  
& ALL kindred afflictions of the skin!



### AVAILABLE ONCE MORE!

What is Zincuta you ask? (pronounced Zin-coo-ta) Zincuta Ointment was, and is a specialty skin cream that brings relief and heals skin afflictions. (Chafes, burns, sun burns, abrasions, raw sores, insect bites, eczema, poison ivy, etc.) Zincuta Ointment was originally formulated by Dr. Josiah C. Case (1865-1930) an eighth generation Southold resident with an impeccable reputation. Zincuta was prepared and sold from his Peconie Manufacturing Company on Peconie Lane in L.I. N.Y. — A very effective and successful remedy that "sold on its merits" — marketed across the country for 40 years from 1890-1930.

To hence Dr. Case and a way of life, Herbalist Donna Peasey has found an original tin, thoroughly researched, and lovingly recreated Zincuta. She connects it at The Apotheca in Southold with the same high standards set by Dr. Case. This exceedingly good ointment is made, as before, with the finest and purest natural ingredients — available to our community again!

### Testimonials:

(THEN & NOW)

Peconie, NY Aug. 31, 1893  
Having sold and used your Ointment for various purposes for two years, with entire satisfaction both to my customers and myself, I can safely recommend it.  
— J.R. Jefferson, Dealer in Gen. Mobs.

Southold, NY Oct. 21, 2008  
When I was a kid we used Zincuta for practically everything. Happy it's available again!  
— Mr. J. Koch

## The Exclamation Point In Your Garden! Our Glazed Asian Pottery Makes A Colorful Statement In Any Garden!

This pottery is very high-fired which means that it is durable in any weather. They don't deteriorate in the sun and don't dry out as rapidly as terracotta. Our pottery also comes in a vast array of incredibly beautiful colors and styles. And you can mix the pots in a display, using many different styles of one color, or mix it up with two or more complementary colors.



**50% Off**

**Any Single Glazed Pot**

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# Hummingbirds!

## Cool Facts and Great Products

- The Ruby-throated Hummingbird beats its wings about 53 times a second.
- The extremely short legs of the Ruby-throated Hummingbird prevent it from walking or hopping. The best it can do is shuffle along a perch. Nevertheless, it scratches its head and neck by raising its foot up and over its wing.
- Scientists place hummingbirds and swifts in the same taxonomic order, the Apodiformes. The name means "without feet," which is certainly how these birds look most of the time.
- The Ruby-throated Hummingbird does not show a strong preference for any particular color of feeder. Instead, it prefers specific feeder locations.
- Ruby-throated Hummingbirds prefer to feed on red or orange flowers. Like many birds, they have good color vision and can see into the ultraviolet spectrum, which humans can't see.
- Ruby-throated Hummingbirds normally place their nest on a branch of a deciduous or coniferous tree;



however, these birds are accustomed to human habitation and have been known to nest on loops of chain, wire, and extension cords.

- Ruby-throated Hummingbirds are eastern North America's only breeding hummingbird. But in terms of area, this species occupies the largest breeding range of any North American hummingbird.
- Male Ruby-throated Hummingbirds don't stick around long. Pairs are together long enough for courtship and mating – just a matter of days to weeks. Then he's off on his own, and may begin migration by early August.
- The oldest known Ruby-throated Hummingbird was 9 years 1 month old.

Ruby-throated Hummingbirds feed on the nectar of red or orange tubular flowers such as trumpet creeper, cardinal flower, honey-suckle, jewelweed, bee-balm, red buckeye and red morning glory, as well as at hummingbird feeders and, sometimes, tree sap. Hummingbirds also catch insects in midair or pull them out of spider webs. Main insect prey includes mosquitoes, gnats, fruit flies, and small bees; also eats spiders. Ruby-throated Hummingbirds sometimes take insects attracted to sap wells or picks small caterpillars and aphids from leaves.

information courtesy of Cornell University Ornithology Labs

It's For the Birds...

**\$5.00 OFF**

Any Birding Purchase of \$20 or more!  
feed~birdhouses  
birdbaths~statuary

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## Harvesting Suggestions for Vegetables



**BEANS** - Check daily and pick young rather than with seeds bulging. Pods should break easily with a "snap".

**LIMA BEANS** - When pods are full, light green before any yellowing.

**BEETS** - Harvest "greens" when thinning & watch for beet at soil line.

**BROCCOLI** - When green buds of the young flower head are size of a match. Homegrown doesn't reach supermarket size, so don't wait.

**BRUSSEL SPROUTS** - Twist lower sprouts off when green and about an inch or so in diameter.

**CABBAGE** - When head feels full and solid. If overripe, it will split.

**CARROTS** - When visible at soil line - about 1-2 inches long. Light frost improves flavor.

**CAULIFLOWER** - When "curds" of head are still smooth. Will be smaller than market heads, so don't wait.

**CELERY** - Three months after transplanting. Cut at base just beneath crown.

**CORN (Sweet)** - Kernels in milk stage. About 3 weeks after silks form and are dry and brown.

**CUCUMBER** - Check daily and pick immature for best taste. When past their prime, fruit turns yellow and seeds are dark.

**EGGPLANT** - Pick young, while fruit has a glossy skin. Overripe means brown dull..

**LEEKS** - 11-12 weeks after transplanting - about 1 inch in diameter.

**LETTUCE** - When head feels firm or just before hot weather as they will bolt to seed. Leaf lettuce can be harvested by the outer leaves throughout the summer.

**PEAS** - Feel pods for solid peas or eat one off the vine for sweetness.

**PUMPKINS** - Cut with stem. Before heavy frost, remove from field.

**RADISHES** - 3-6 weeks after planting. Goes to seed in hot weather.

**SWISS CHARD** - Cut outer leaves 1-2 in. from soil leaving center to continue growing.

**SPINACH** - Cut at soil line before seed stem develops.

**SQUASH (Summer/Zucchini)** - Pick young fruit before skins are too tough to be broken by pressure of thumb nail.

**TOMATOES** - When fully ripe or harvest when slightly green and ripen inside at 70 degrees F.

**WATERMELON** - When flesh on bottom is deep yellow and makes a dull, hollow sound when thumped.

## Tools For Successful Vegetable Gardens!

~**Espoma Garden Tone** is a complex blend of organic ingredients enhanced with Bio-tone® beneficial microbes. Its higher phosphorous and potassium will increase yields. Feed every three to four weeks throughout the growing season.

~**Sweet Peat Garden Mulch** is the ultimate mulch for vegetable gardens. It fertilizes & enriches your soil for your best harvest ever! Because Sweet Peat® contains only all-natural, organic ingredients it is entirely safe to use in fruit & vegetable gardens. A 3-4 in. layer will aid in moisture retention, weed suppression, and increase tilth which helps promote new root growth.

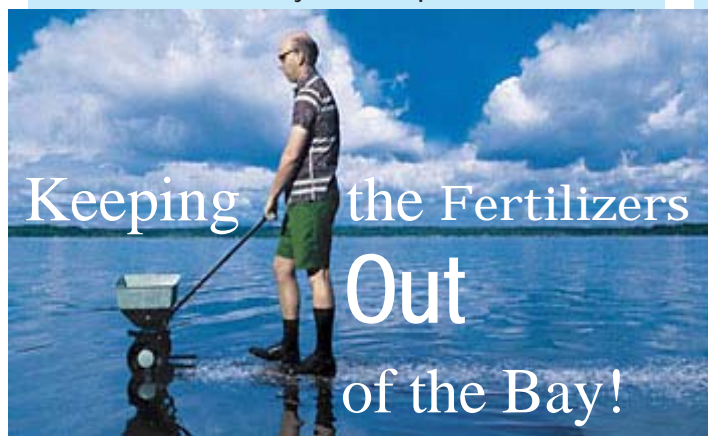
**FREE MULCH**  
**Sweet Peat Garden Mulch**  
**Buy 2, Get 1 FREE!**



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**SUFFOLK COUNTY LAW 41-2007** Application of all fertilizers between November 1st and April 1st is prohibited. This is when the potential for nitrogen leaching (nitrogen moving down through the soil) to the groundwater and runoff to our surface waters is greatest.

Violators may be fined up to \$1000.



## Best management practices for home lawns

### Soil Management

- Aerify & renovate compacted soils to restore turf coverage.
- Install drain tiles to redirect excess water away from areas with extensive drainage problems.
- Use organic fertilizers and amendments on newer stands of turf to increase nitrogen absorption.

### Grass Selection

- Choose disease-resistant and drought-tolerant tall fescue blends or "low input" validated perennial ryegrass and Kentucky bluegrass cultivars.
- Tall fescue is a preferred low nitrogen input turfgrass species for lawns and has excellent season long nutrient uptake. Perennial ryegrass is a good second choice.

### Turf Establishment

- Don't apply high nitrogen fertilizer before newly planted grass germinates or new sod has rooted.



The Black Beauty family of lawn grass seed mixtures grow well in clay or sandy soils and in full sun or partial shade. These seed mixtures are genetically dark-green, with improved disease resistance and drought tolerance.

- Use slow release nitrogen fertilizers instead of water soluble nitrogen fertilizers when establishing a new lawn.

### Mowing

- Mow lawns to a height of 3 inches.
- Return clippings to recycle nutrients & reduce fertilizer need.
- Do not mow just prior to fertilizer applications. Wait 2, preferably 4, days after mowing to fertilize.

### Irrigating

- Water lawns based on need, not on a schedule.
- Irrigate only when water loss due to evapotranspiration (ET) exceeds precipitation.
- Wet the root zone of the turf, typically the top 4-6 inch layer of soil.
- Adjust water rates to take into account shaded areas or areas with lower air flow. Those areas will have lower ET rates.
- Keep mowing heights as high as possible in summer.

### Thatch Management

- Subsurface layering of undecomposed organic material can create poor drainage, increase nutrient losses through runoff, and result in poor use of fertilizer nitrogen.
- Reduce thatch to 1/2 inch or less to improve drainage and decrease runoff and nitrogen loss.

### Fertilizing Lawns

- Base phosphorus and potassium applications on soil test results.
- Well established lawns where clippings have been returned may need little or no nitrogen. Other lawns may require up to 1.5 to 3.0 lbs nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per year.
- Don't apply more than 1 lb of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per application. It's better to apply nitrogen at the 0.5 lb per 1,000 square feet rate at several key times during the season.

## Dramm Watering Wands!



- Don't apply more than 0.5 lb of water soluble nitrogen per 1,000 square feet per application.

### Timing

- Don't apply fertilizer in the spring unless the turf is thin or weeds are encroaching.
- Don't apply fertilizers when soil temperatures are below 50° F.
- Reduce or eliminate fertilizer rates during peak summer stress.
- Don't apply fertilizer in late fall. Make your last application in September or make two smaller applications one in early September and the other in early October.

### Application

- Review area of application and determine square footage of area to be treated.
  - After application, apply 1/4 inch or less of water to wash fertilizer into the soil profile.
  - Do not apply fertilizer within 20 ft of surface water, storm drains or groundwater recharge areas.
  - Maintain buffer areas around impervious surfaces and surface water features.
  - Sweep up any material spilled or accidentally applied to impervious surfaces.
- ### Weed Management
- If turf is thin, a light spring fertilizer application can improve turf development to crowd out weeds.
  - Don't cut your grass less than 3" tall. Tall grass sends down deeper roots helping outcompete weeds.
  - Organic fertilizers may provide better weed prevention particularly at higher cutting heights.



Late June, Early July is a great time to fertilize your lawn with organic **Espoma Lawn Food** (it's phosphate free too for extra environmental care)

## Pick Your Flowers!



### Field Flower Bouquet

**\$14.99**

*Regularly \$19.99*

### Smilin' Sunflower Bouquet

**\$9.99**

*regularly \$14.99*

All **Flower Shop** specials - not valid with other offers or on past purchases. Coupons expire 7/31/10



## Party Time???

**5 flower arrangements for \$100**

available in either a pastel or bright color palette in a bubble bowl! *flowers will vary based on availability*

## The Earth Laughs in Flowers

- Ralph Waldo Emerson