



Gardener



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Notes from the Flower Shop

You have heard “Say It With Flowers,” Well, it is true, flowers have their own language! When artfully combined and designed, flowers reflect your sentiment, style, and personality. We, in the flower shop, are experts in creating the perfect design to reflect your individual style. Our talented designers lovingly create handcrafted florals and gifts for both pick up & delivery locally or out of town throughout the year. In this world where AI and robots are making many goods, Bayport Flower Houses is hand designing joy in the shape of unique evergreen centerpieces, custom, gorgeous florals, and bountiful bouquets for every occasion. We are so thankful and honored to be designing for our customers year after year.

One of the benefits of having live plants, fresh greenery & beautiful flowers in your home is the boost it gives to your senses. This is especially needed when we are spending more time inside and the days are shorter. Flowers have the power to lift and elevate even the most stubborn of moods. We have seen this throughout our 91 years of growing our business. We joined in a worldwide floral event and saw Flower Power in action, as we delivered PETAL IT FORWARD bouquets randomly throughout the community. The SMILES these flower bouquets brought were priceless. Not to mention the JOY of giving them. We will certainly do this again next year!

As winter is settling in, thoughts of warmer weather, garden blooms and warm breezes hold us through these cold bitter days. Here are some Must –Dos!

- ~Visit our Magical Holiday displays in our greenhouses.
- ~Get inspired and creative with our floral design workshops.
- ~Warm up and find the perfect gift or shop for yourself.
- ~Spend some time warming up in our flower shop and greenhouses. It truly is a step out of the everyday hub bub of this hectic season.

Did you know...flowers have become your go-to self-care and positive mood booster. Stop in and try walking amongst our gorgeous flowers and plants. I am sure you will find something inspiring. Flowers promote physical and emotional well-being, brighten our homes, creating a connectivity like no other.

Wishing All Good Health, Peace, and Happiness
Enjoy every moment!

-Christine Auwaerter Saroka



Workshops at Bayport Flower Houses
are a long standing tradition for both adults and children. Each season we host classes that will both expand your horticultural knowledge and help you find the artist in you!

NEW FOR JANUARY 2024!

Just Peachy Floral Design
Makes A Great Christmas Gift!

For our younger customers we offer classes where they can express their creativity and take home something spectacular! We are always amazed at the talent that walks through our classroom doors and the amazing designs that leave!

You can register either online at shop.bayportflower.com/workshops by phone at **631.472.0014** or in-store 7 days a week!



Celebrate Peach !
2024 Pantone Color Of The Year!

Just Peachy

A Good For the Soul Floral Design Class!
Saturday, January 20th at 11 am

This soft, heartfelt hue expresses the desire to nurture kindness, compassion, and connection, all while fostering a deep coziness as we seek a peaceful future. We'll use a variety of flowers in the peach family, and beyond, to guide you to create a beautiful floral masterpiece, perfect for your home!

Makes a great gift!

\$85 per person

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BAYPORT FLOWER HOUSES
Winter Workshop
Evergreen & Floral
Candle Centerpiece
\$85 pp
December 16 at 10 am
OR December 17 at 2pm
or December 20 at 10 am
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you can register either in person, online at shop.bayportflower.com
or over the phone at **631.472.0014**

BAYPORT FLOWER HOUSES
Kids' Winter Workshops
Sugar Plum Flowers - \$25 per child
Kids will use fresh greens, flowers, and a sparkle (or two) to make a holiday floral arrangement fit for the Sugar Plum Queen!
\$25 per child includes class and Holiday Hayride!
December 16 at 3 pm
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HOLIDAY

blooming plants

Christmas Cactus

The Christmas cactus, *Schlumbergera Bridgesii*, is a popular plant at Christmas time, which sports intricate flowers in red, salmon, white, and pink. They are one of the few holiday plants suited to growing all year long (no dormant period required). If the plant receives proper care, it is very long-lived.

Watering: Although this plant is a cactus, it requires more water than other cacti. Keep the soil of this plant evenly moist all of the time. Do not over-water the plant because waterlogged roots can cause the flower buds to drop. Under watering or excessive dryness can bring on the same thing. In late summer or early fall, when the buds are forming, water only enough to keep the stems from wrinkling or shriveling. After the buds are formed, you can resume normal watering.

Lighting: These plants like a bright location and some sun. However, strong summer sun may cause the plant to turn yellow. Note: Christmas cacti are sensitive to light. If you move the plant, be careful not to change its position relative to the source of light. This can weaken the small, newly-formed buds, and they may fall off.

Fertilizer: Fertilize the plant every two weeks with a liquid houseplant fertilizer that is high in potassium. When the flower buds are forming, do not fertilize.

Re-blooming: The flowering of a Christmas cactus is related to the length of the day and the night temperature. If the plant is kept outside during the summer, the cool temperatures of early fall nights (50° - 55°F) are usually enough for the plant to set buds. This will probably take place before you bring the plant indoors (before the night temperature goes below 50 F or before the first frost). The buds will form regardless of the amount of darkness they receive. If the plant is grown indoors all year around, then it will need artificial short days or about 13 hours of darkness to initiate bud development. You can do this by placing the plant in an unused room or closet from 6:00 PM to 7:00 AM or draping it with a dark cloth for this period. If the plant is small enough, a brown paper bag may work, too. After the buds form, it can be treated normally, and you can watch the buds develop.

Poinsettias

The poinsettia, *Euphorbia pulcherrima*, a popular potted plant at Christmas time, provides effective color in the home decor during and after the holiday season. The newer poinsettia cultivars are long-lasting in contrast to the cultivars available a few years ago.

The true flowers of poinsettias are inconspicuous parts in the centers of the colorful bract clusters. The bracts can be red, pink, cream, or white. Popular varieties include the Princettia®, a collection of entirely new euphorbia hybrids that are captivating consumers all over the world. Four beautiful shades of pink make them a perfect fit as a gift plant.. A truly unique poinsettia, 'Envy' sports lime-green bracts that pair well with many styles of holiday décor.

In total, we have over 25 varieties. Poinsettias love a nice, humid, warm spot in your home with lots of light. They despise cold drafts, overwatering and darkness. And don't forget that the design team at Bayport Flower Houses' can customize any of our home-grown poinsettias with a wide variety of beautiful bows, white or glitter branches, birds, wintergreens, ornaments, and much more to make a one of a kind holiday gift!

Amaryllis

Growing an Amaryllis is simple but enjoyable during the cold months of winter. We offer many different type of bulb kits at Bayport Flower Houses and all will provide a beautiful holiday display. If you are not going to pot your bulb right away, be sure to store it in a cool location. Once you are ready to plant, you need to identify a pot that is heavy enough to withstand the weight of the thick stem and gorgeous flower at full height. Once planted, the amaryllis will grow quickly, as long as it is in a warm spot in your home with direct light. It should be watered once a week - be careful not to over water. Before you know it, the stem produces the pale bud which, in turn, blossoms into the gorgeous amaryllis. Once the flowers are spent, you can keep it as a houseplant, in a sunny location. In the early fall, a vacation in a cool spot and keeping the plant on the dry side will prod the amaryllis to bloom again. Bayport Flower Houses also produces beautiful fully grown Amaryllis during the Holiday Season



**We've Got *Tweet* Gifts for all the
Bird Lover's on your Holiday List!**
Feeders~Bird Houses~Bird Seed



The Perfect Gifts!



\$10 Off **Your Purchase of \$35 or more**

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HOLIDAY SHOPPING HOURS:

SATURDAYS - 8 AM TO 6 PM

SUNDAYS - 9 AM TO 5 PM

MONDAY -THURSDAY 8 AM TO 6 PM

FRIDAY - 8 AM TO 7 PM