

# Welcome to Alice's Garden's first e-newsletter!

We know your time is valuable, so we will keep this short and sweet! We also know that not all of you will want to continue to receive our newsletters (though we hope you will!) so you can always unsubscribe any time by clicking the link at the bottom of this page. Each week, we hope you will find some bit of information that will help you in your plant parenting journey.

## So when do I cut back my...?

As we move into fall, one question many of you are asking is "when do I cut back my perennials and grasses?"

The short answer is: it depends. Some people like to have their landscape clean and tidy and ready for winter, and some plants, like daylilies, peonies, and hostas benefit from a fall prune. However, ideally, we should be waiting until spring before cutting back most perennials and grasses. One type of perennial to never cut back are your evergreen types, like epimedium, hellebore, and heuchera.

Several beneficial insects, like lacewings and lady bugs, overwinter in the stems and hollows of plants, so waiting until spring temperatures reach the 50s ensures insects have a chance to emerge and live on to do their thing, like eating those nasty aphids that like to attack your rose bushes. Leftover seed heads are also an important source of food for overwintering birds, and who doesn't love to see little birds eating their fill against a snowy backdrop?

So, for the most part, you can relax this fall and know that you are helping the planet by leaving the garden just as it is!

#### It's National Indoor Plant Week!



This week's featured houseplant is the Maranta Lemon Lime! This beautifully patterned plant is part of the Calathea family, or "Prayer Plants" as they are commonly known. These Calatheas grow on forest floors in tropical Brazil, which means it loves medium light and high humidity. Add one of these trailing beauties to your home today!

#### **Upcoming Classes:**

- · September 23rd, 1pm: Succulent/Cacti Dish Garden Building
- September 30th, 11am-1pm: Kids' Pumpkin Painting
- October 7th and 14th, 1pm: Cemeterrarium Building
- October 21st, 1pm: Pumpulent Building
- · October 28th, 11am-1pm: Kids' Pumpkin Painting

To purchase tickets to any of these events, head to our Eventbrite Page or call us at (317) 291-1441 to reserve your spot today!

### It's time to decorate for fall!









Grab yourself a pumpkin spice latte, a ready-to-go potted arrangement and a cute pumpkin stack for the front porch, and you're all set!



The reward expires on October 21, 2023. No cash value. Valid in-store or via Square Online, if applicable. May be canceled at any time.







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