



# Scheuermann Farms & Greenhouses

Apr-May-Jun Planting Calendar  
and Gardening Guide



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There are more than 600 genera of orchids, of which *Phalaenopsis* is a species.

### Things To Do In April

#### EARLY APRIL

- Feed roses for first time
- Tea roses prune and shape
- Weeding early
- Divide chives, thyme, mints and lemon balm

- Spray insecticidal soap on house plants that have spider mites, aphids, mealy bugs or white flies
- Root cuttings of rosemary winter savory, tarragon, scented geraniums
- Dig and divide garden mums when shoots are about 3 inches high

- Iris – spray for borers using Cygon, at 4" high
- Place peony rings to allow new growth to come through
- Remove burlap screens winter coverings and mulch

#### LATE APRIL

- Plant potatoes and seeds of cold tolerant plants now, beets, early cabbage, carrots, early cauliflower, kohlrabi, lettuce, parsley, parsnips, radishes, peas, spinach, Swiss chard, turnips, thyme, sage, and dill
- Fertilize strawberry plants
- DON'T fertilize the lawn until Memorial Day

- Start seeds for early flowering annuals
- DON'T spray insecticide on fruit trees when flowers are open (save our honey bees)
- Prune box wood and privet hedge before new growth
- Continue weeding
- Finish planting and dividing perennials.
- Prune any shrubs that have finished early spring bloom

- DON'T remove too much leave cover under azaleas and rhododendrons, leave them as you see in the forest, they need that cover
- Take a snap shot of your spring flowering bulbs then you will know where to add something else or more of a color







Cherry trees are a favorite in the northeast.

### *Things To Do in May*

- Parsley planted
- Plant annuals; plant tender ones later in month
- First lawn mowing, fertilize lawn on Memorial Day
- Feed roses second time
- Pick rhubarb
- Nasturtiums seeded
- Plant planters and urns
- Weeding
- Dead wood roses
- Remove dead and diseased woods and water sprouts from dogwood and crab apple trees
- Tomato planted
- Edge beds to keep lawn from invading
- Pinch garden mums, removing 1" of growth







Canna Lilies, *Canna flaccida*

### Things To Do In June

- Spray roses
- Move house plants outside in shade; keep a careful watch on their watering needs and fertilize them
- Prune early blooming deciduous and evergreen hedges, spring flowering trees and shrubs, wisteria after bloom. DO NOT prune summer or fall bloomers now for flower buds will be lost
- Finish digging /dividing late spring blooming bulbs
- When trimming lawn around trees avoid nicking bark which can girdle or kill the tree or provide access for pests and diseases
- Plant nasturtiums seeds, gladiolus for a succession of bloom
- Finish digging and dividing late spring blooming bulbs • Continue to deadhead spend bulbs and remove foliage when yellow
- Divide iris after bloom
- Plant tall zinnias and snap dragons
- Prune clematis, lilac, forsythia and azaleas after flowering
- Remove seed pods of rhododendrons to improve flowering next year
- Weed onions regularly to reduce competition for water and nutrients
- New dill/ etc. herbs
- Mow lawn at 2 and a half inches height with sharp blades
- Sharpen lawn mover blades monthly
- Ladybugs and praying mantis added
- Remove chive flower heads
- Begin to dry flowers and leaves
- Continue a program of IPM-Integrated Pest Management\*
- Harvest asparagus-month end
- Continue weeding and watering if necessary
- Look for wooly clusters of mealy bugs along the steams of yews, apply summer horticultural oil
- Continue to take pictures to reevaluate and plan changes
- Give melons plenty of water now but with hold during the ripening stage of summer
- If daffodils and tulips did not bloom well dig them up, divide and replant
- Continue to turn compost and moisten if necessary
- Water hanging baskets daily if it's hot
- Fertilize house plants every two weeks
- Fertilize peonies liberally after blooms fade
- Try growing cucumbers on a trellis anchor while young and they will naturally twine around supports
- READ the label on any pesticides you plan to use, never spay when temps are over 85 degrees F, call the garden help line if you are in doubt
- Check houseplants summering outdoors for insects and disease, identify first and treat promptly and keep well watered
- Keep your gardening note book up to date, you will be glad you did
- Pinch garden mums again;this increases the number of flowers
- General fertilizer

