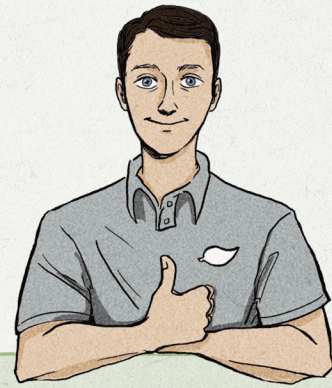


APRIL

garden planning checklist



PLANT OF THE MONTH — million bells —

Planting: When planting in native soil, always amend it for best results. A good mix is 1/3 native soil, 1/3 perlite, and 1/3 compost.

Feed Your Plants: At planting time, it is best to feed with Espoma Bio-tone Starter Plus to deliver nutrients directly to the roots.

Frost Date: Know your local frost date, around April 10-15 for most of us. After that point, it is generally safe to plant annuals, vegetables, and herbs.

Summer Bulbs: There is still time this month to plant summer bulbs like allium, elephant ears, gladiolus, lilies, and more.

Perennials: Stop in and see what is new throughout the month. Perennials are always changing this time of year.

Annual Containers: Plant up containers with annuals. There are so many to choose from in April, making it a perfect time to create combinations.

Houseplants: By late April, nighttime temps rarely fall below 50°F. If you want to move houseplants outdoors, now is the time. Always protect them from direct sunlight when moving them outside.

Umbrellas: Need a little shade on your deck or patio? Umbrellas are an easy way to enjoy outdoor spaces while staying cool.