

Good Year For *Daylilies*

Timely rains this season should make for a fantastic daylily season. The field is awash in buds on the verge of bursting open. A few of the early varieties are already blooming, and the field should be gorgeous by July 10. Bloom will continue for a solid two or three weeks thereafter. Some of the late bloomers don't start blooming until late July or even early August.

We sell our daylilies three different ways. First, we have over 50 varieties potted up and available from the time that we open in spring. We pot many of the daylilies in mini-clump form—4-5 fans in a larger pot. They sell for \$15.00 or \$25.00, depending on the variety. Some newer varieties are patented, so we cannot propagate them. These varieties are potted, also. Second, we take orders during the season, and then dig divisions (generally double fans) in August after the bloom season is over. You get them bareroot, so it is important that you get them planted right away. Orders can be picked up on an agreed upon date, or we can ship them.

The third way for you to buy our daylilies is in clump form. This has become the most popular way for our customers. We dig clumps while you are here to pick them out, dip the roots in water, and drop the clumps in plastic bags. You not only get a great deal, because you get so many fans for the money, but you get the daylilies right away, so that you can enjoy their blooms the rest of the season. We have to hold back enough of each variety for propagation and to fill orders for divisions, so the number of clumps available for any given variety will depend on our supply. In many cases, we can only spare one or two clumps of a variety. So get here early for best selection.

Please note our hours. We will still be open Sundays through July 6, which should be a good weekend for early blooming daylilies. After that, we will return to being open Monday through Saturday, 8:00 to 5:00.



El Desperado



Night Embers



Something Bold

Artisan Market Here In September



Our first Artisan Market was a big hit last fall, so be sure to come to our second one this fall. The 2nd Annual Artisan Market at Hornbaker Gardens will be held on Saturday, September 6th from 10 am to 5 pm.

Plan to join us and enjoy an art market with more than 25 artists, wine tasting with August Hill Winery, delicious home-baked items, live music, local food trucks, Sisler's ice cream, fresh-picked local produce, organic meat and eggs from a local farm, and more. Our local potter, Ann Crosby, will be working her pottery wheel and encourages your hands-on experience.

September is a beautiful time to visit Hornbaker Gardens and the Artisan Market is sure to have something for everyone to enjoy.

HOURS: Through July 6, we will be open Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5:00 p.m. We will be closed on Friday, July 4. From July 8 through October 10, we will be open Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and we will be closed on Sundays and on Labor Day.

Coming In 2015: The Barn

Those of you who have been here lately have seen the start of construction activity where the iris field used to be. The Barn at Hornbaker Gardens will be ready for events in June of 2015. The Barn will be a beautiful, cedar sided event center, perfect for hosting

wedding receptions, corporate meetings, community events and more. The hall of The Barn will seat up to 325, and the building will include a bride's room, groom's room, full kitchen, and covered patio. A lush, green, outdoor wedding site is just 100 feet or so from the patio.

The Barn will, of course, be equipped with modern bathrooms, and will be heated and air conditioned, so it will be available for events year round. We are booking events for 2015 now. Call our office to get details.



Monarda Grand Parade®

**PRETTY
IN PINK**

Here are a couple of plants that are putting on a great show in our gardens right now. *Stachys* 'Hummelo' (Common Betony) has become one of our favorite sun perennials. The scalloped foliage is interesting all season, starting out bright green, and then developing a purple tinge in the fall. The real show starts in late June with a profusion of lavender pink spikes that last for three weeks. This wonderful plant is hardy to Zone 4, forms a clump around 18" tall and wide, and has been a great performer in our gardens.

Monarda Grand Parade® (Bee Balm) is a newer variety that gets only 13-16" tall, and is very mildew resistant. The dark pink flowers contrast beautifully with dark green foliage. Deadhead the flowers and enjoy some reblooming. This is another very hardy plant (Zone 3), and has done great in our gardens.



Stachys 'Hummelo'