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HOURS: Open Monday through Saturday from 8 am to 5 pm through Wednesday, October 10th.

Come on out and let us say “Thank you”, once again, for a wonderful season. On the last Friday and Saturday of the season, October 5 and 6, we will fire up the grill and feed you lunch – brats, dogs, butterfly pork chops and hamburgers-between 10:30 and 2:00.

End of Season

SALE

Perennials	75% off
(including Peonies, Vines, Buddleia, Aquatics)	
Hostas	25% off
Grasses	25% off
Potted Daylilies	50% off
Bulbs	50% off
Trees and Shrubs	50% off
Pottery (including fountain Pebble Pots)	25% off
Granite	10% off
Mad Mats – Indoor/Outdoor Rugs	20% off
Indoor & Outdoor Floor Mat Inserts	Buy 1, Get 1 Half Price
(Excellent Fall & Holiday Selection)	
Melissa & Doug Kids’ Toys	Buy 1, Get 1 Half Price
Indoor/Outdoor Canvas Art	50% off
Haitian Wall Art	30% off

Check the Shop for other sale items!

Planting In Masses

Hosta 'Curly Fries'

We generally advise planting in groups. One coneflower, one Shasta daisy, one black-eyed Susan, or one of just about any flowering perennial doesn't make much of a statement. But three or five or more can really put on a show. Our end-of-season sale is a great opportunity to try some mass plantings of your own.

This spring, when we replanted the gardens that we renovated last year, Dave made several mass plantings, sometimes using as many as 15 of a variety. Most perennials can be used in masses, but some to consider are *Stachys*, *Salvia*, *Echinacea*, *Veronica*, *Nepeta*, *Asclepias* and *Amsonia*. Get creative and plant a mixed mass. One of the most sensational plantings I ever saw consisted of just *Echinacea* (Coneflower), *Asclepias tuberosa* (Butterfly Weed), and *Sporobolus* (Prairie Drop Seed) in a bed that must have been 80' long and 12' wide.

It's not just flowering perennials that are effective in masses. Hostas, grasses and ferns can be sensational. Some of the smaller hostas can be used as groundcovers that exhibit great color and texture. 'Curly Fries', 'Little Treasure', 'Praying Hands', and 'The Razor's Edge' are good examples.

Grasses can be great in masses. A bit of a breeze adds not only movement, but sound to the garden. Check out the 100 plants of Little Blue Stem growing in the median of the parking lot at The Barn. Other grasses to consider would include *Sporobolus* (Prairie Drop Seed), *Festuca* (Blue Fescue), and *Panicum* (Switch Grass).

Any fern can be used in masses. We especially like the Japanese painted ferns, which add a great splash of blue-gray color to the hosta garden, and tend to be shorter than some of the other ferns.

Our Best Sale Yet!

We've never done a sale like this before, and we may never do it again, so take advantage of our impulsiveness while you have a chance. From now through the end of the season, here's the deal on plants: 25% off all hostas, 25% off all grasses, 50% off all trees and shrubs, and 75% off all perennials. Check out the sale listing to see all the great fall specials happening now.

Why are we doing this? The plants are better off in the ground in your gardens, and the less we have to put away and take care of over the winter, the better.

This sale applies to sales at the garden center only, and does not apply to online sales.

Artisan Market

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for the 6th annual Artisan Market. We had a great day with warm sunshine and amazing art. Next year's date: Saturday, September 7th

