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Last Year for Daylily Field

Daylilies are the big showoffs in the garden during July, with their big blooms and bold colors. We offer a wide selection of varieties in pots in our retail area. These are offered in one gallon pots and usually contain 2-3 fans, or more, per pot. We also grow around 140 varieties in our daylily field. In 2020, we reduced the size of our field significantly. At the end of this season, we will relocate our favorite varieties to our display gardens and continue to dig and pot these varieties. Then we will eliminate our daylily field. So this is your last chance to immerse yourself in a field of color and buy clumps! We will only be digging clumps from the field. Clumps range in price from \$25-\$45. They're a great deal and give you instant maturity. We dig the clump, dip the roots in water, and drop it in a 13-gallon plastic bag. You can plant it in your garden and enjoy the rest of the bloom season. Or you can divide the clump into several multi-fan smaller clumps if you wish. The early varieties start blooming in late June, the peak of the bloom season is usually the two weeks after July 4, and there are still late-blooming varieties performing in late July and

early August. We welcome you to come out to see this colorful show and pick out some daylilies before they're gone!



'Bright Sunset'



'El Desperado'



'Designer Jeans'

How Often Should I Water My New Plants?

It's always difficult to tell people how often to water because it depends on whether the plants are mulched, and on heat, rain, and how much you give each plant when you do water. But the general idea is to water deeply when you water rather than watering often. You want the roots to follow the water down into the ground rather than staying up near the surface.

Newly installed plants should be watered very well when first planted. If planted during this hot weather, you should water them again within a day or two. Then, gradually lengthen the time between soakings until you get to once a week, if possible, and keep that up during the first growing season. Perennials and annuals will need water more frequently than trees and shrubs because their roots are not as deep in the soil.



Naturally, a good rain will help reduce the need to water. Keep in mind that a quarter of an inch of rain won't get down very far into the soil. Mulching around the plants will help hold water in the soil, and we definitely recommend it.

Just keep an eye on the plants, and they will generally start to wilt when they need water. If you are not sure, stick your fingers in the ground by the plant. If it feels moist, it probably does not need water. If it's not especially moist, water it. If your fingers find that the soil is really wet, but the plant is wilting anyway, you may be overwatering. A plant that has been too wet for too long will wilt and turn brown just like a plant that has dried out.

Hornbaker Happenings

(Get more details on Facebook or our website)

Nature Journaling 4-week series-
Tuesdays in July

Thursday, July 21 - Prairie Discover - 9 am

Sunday, July 24- Bob Solberg Hosta Event

Saturday, September 17- 9th Annual
Artisan Market



Meet hosta expert

Bob Solberg

Sunday, July 24th

Open 9 am to 4 pm



**Free
Event**

10 am to Noon- Meet and Greet with Bob

10 am to 1 pm- Food Truck Lunch

1 pm- Bob's Presentation

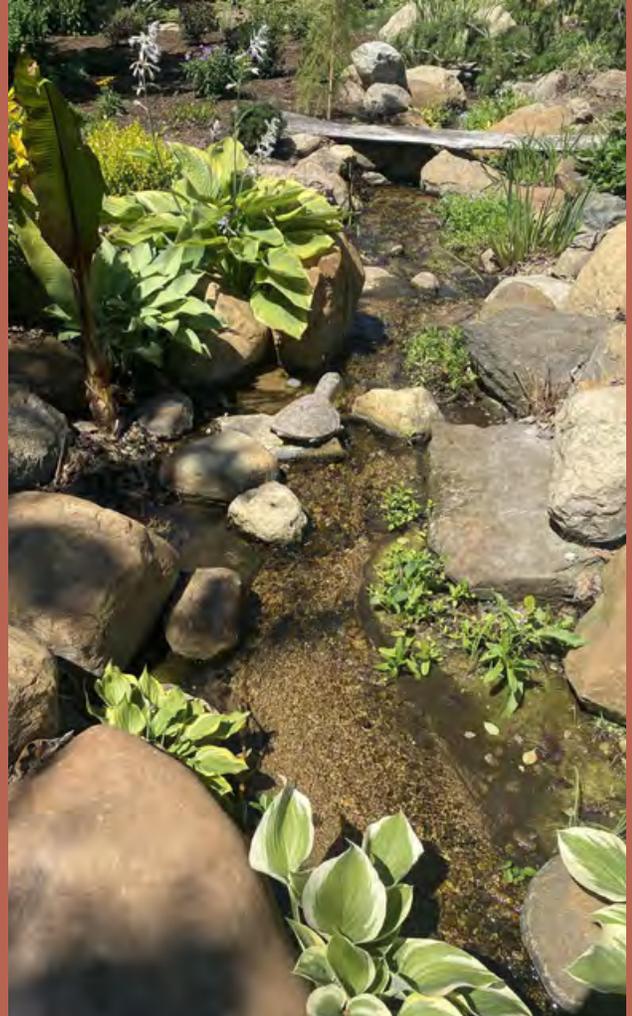
"When the Hosta Bug Bites"

**\$2 off
all hostas**

Join in the fun and bring a
floral arrangement that
includes at least one hosta
leaf or try to win the
biggest leaf competition.

Dip Your Feet in the Stream

Summer has arrived, and it has begun with several days of high temps and stifling humidity. If you are planning a visit to Hornbakkers (or maybe this will entice you to make a trip), make sure you visit the stream bed in the sunny garden area. Feel free to kick off your shoes and dip your feet in the cool running water. While the hosta ravine is always a highlight of customers' visits, a walk through the gardens across the road from the checkout is a worthy stop as well.



In 2017, David Hornbaker reconstructed the 150 foot stream that runs into the pond in the front yard. He created several places where you can access and cross the stream, including a small sandy beach area that is nicely shaded by a crabapple tree. Have a seat on one of the boulders and grab a little shady respite while enjoying the beauty around you. There are even a couple dump trucks and scoops for the kids to enjoy filling with sand and pebbles. Summer is a wonderful time to visit the sunny gardens where a variety of perennials are continuously coming into their bloom season and attracting pollinators of all kinds.



Hours:

April 10 - July 10: Monday - Saturday 8 am to 5 pm, Sunday noon-5 pm

July 11 - October 10: Monday - Saturday 8 am to 5 pm, closed Sundays

Closed July 4th and Labor Day

