

## What's Hot

The reason that we created our Inspirational garden was to show you the customer ...

What plants are looking hot, or in other words which plants are particularly looking good each month...

By showing you how...where...when.... and we'll make it easy for you to choose the right plant for you!

**Plants looking hot this month at the Arboretum and the Arboretum Inspirational garden...**

### **My Common Name:** New Zealand Iris



#### **My Botanical Name:**

*Libertia peregrinans* 'Gold Leaf'

#### **How big will I grow?**

75 cm high by 75 cm wide

#### **What do I look like?**

Sword shaped foliage tinged reddish gold, the cold weather turns my leaves fantastic orange shades.

#### **When do I Flower?**

I produce white flowers from June until August

#### **What Soil do I like?**

I thrive in all soil types, with the exception of waterlogged soils

#### **Where can I be planted?**

I look fantastic when planted in clumps in garden borders and especially with 5 or more friends. (See Arboretum Inspirational Garden). I also make a perfect patio plant and especially when planted in dark coloured pots that contrast with my vibrant orange foliage.

#### **When can I be planted?**

When purchased growing in a pot I can be planted all year-round, providing the soil is not frozen or waterlogged. When planted during the summer months, particular attention must be given to watering, especially during hot, dry and warm windy weather.

## Common Name: Tulip Magnolia



### My Botanical Name:

*Magnolia x soulangiana*

### How big will I grow?

4.5 M high by 3 M wide

### What do I look like?

Distinctly upright growth habit and oftener likened to a vase shape large shrub or small tree

### When do I Flower?

I produce showy pink, white/ cream flowers in early spring

### What Soil do I like?

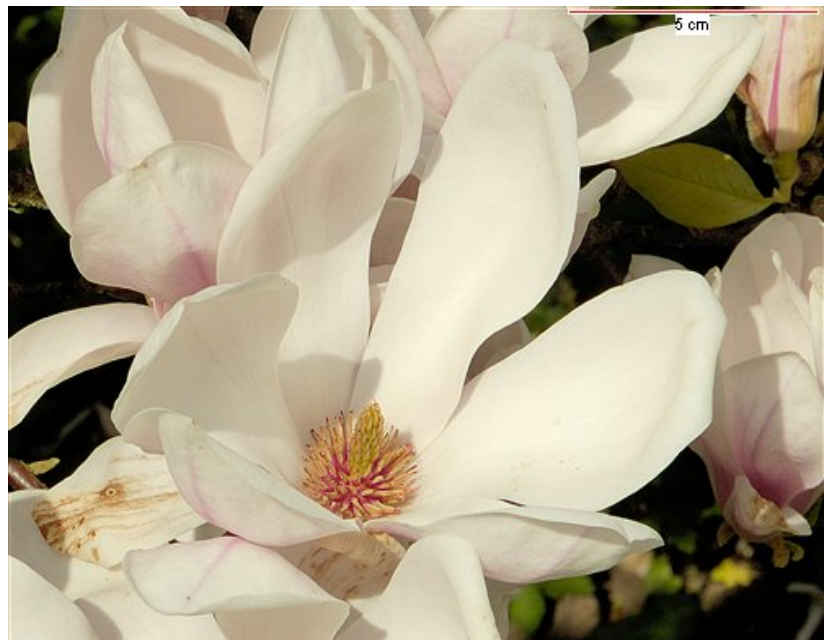
I thrive in most soil types, which are sand, loam, clay acidic and well drained, but I don't like shallow chalky soils.

### Where can I be planted?

I make a beautiful large specimen shrub or small tree for a focal point in the garden for spring interest. Give me a big pot and I will thrive on the patio giving you vibrant spring colour

### When can I be planted?

When purchased growing in a pot I can be planted all year-round, providing the soil is not frozen or waterlogged. When planted during the summer months, or as a large patio planter and in full leaf. I must be given plenty of water, especially during hot, dry and warm windy weather.



## Common Name: New Zealand Flax



### My Botanical Name:

*Phormium*

### How big will I grow?

Up to 3 M high by 2M wide

### What do I look like?

I have tough, sword-shaped leaves, which make me a striking architectural specimen and I come in contrasting shades of green, red, bronze, pink and yellow

### When do I Flower?

I produce striking flowers on large flower stalks in summer when I am mature

### What Soil do I like?

I thrive in well drained soils, light, moist sandy, but I do not like heavy wet heavy soils

### Where can I be planted?

I make a beautiful large specimen plant or small focal plant in the garden for all year-round colours. As I'm a stunner, I'm perfect for any patio and perfect when planted on my own or as a feature plant in any planter display.

### When can I be planted?

When purchased growing in a pot I can be planted all year-round, providing the soil is not frozen or waterlogged. When planted during the summer months, or as a large patio planter. I must be given water, during hot, dry and warm windy weather. But to be honest I can survive a little neglect that's why I make the perfect patio plant, but that's not an excuse for totally neglecting me!

### These are just a few of the many colours that I come in...

