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Come celebrate over 85 years of service to Colorado Springs!

Open Easter Sunday, 10-4
Hours 9-6 Monday through Saturday
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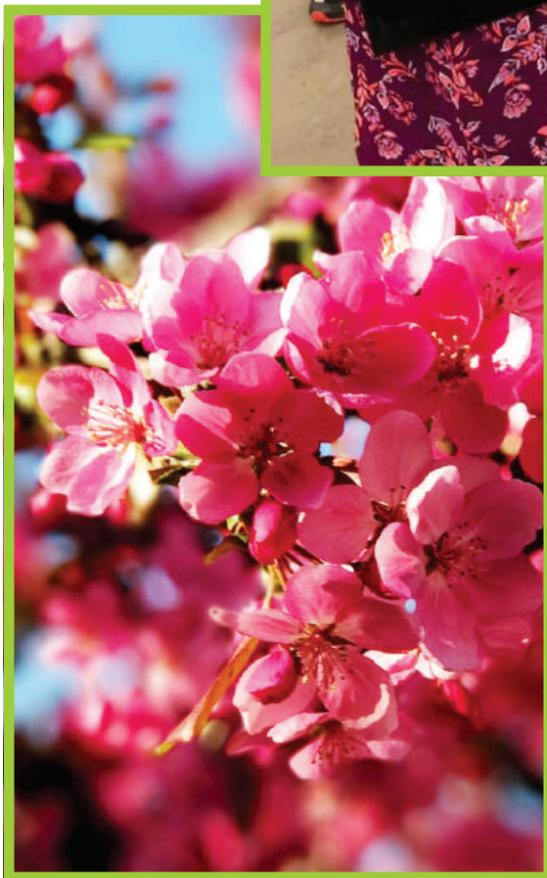
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It's your world; make it beautiful!

We want to help you create a beautiful, sustainable, healthy world. What does it look like to you? Is it a yard with a lush, green lawn for kids to safely run in? What about a shady oasis to relax, watch birds, and get lost in a book? Is it a garden exploding with vibrant vegetables just waiting to jump on your plate to nourish your body and mind?

2020 is a year filled with gardening excitement! Here at Spencer's, we will delight you with the newest products from the ground up. You'll find the latest and greatest in soil amendments, fertilizers, safe pest controls, improved plant varieties, and more. Special finishing touches from new artists and companies will complete your outdoor space.

Visit our stores for new variety, color, quality, and inspiration. Your world is our world; let's grow it together!



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Fertilome Soil Drench

SAVE \$5⁰⁰
per quart

SAVE \$10⁰⁰
per gallon



12 month insect protection with one application. No spraying.

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Pro Rich Lawn Fertilizer

Reg. \$29.98 per bag

SAVE \$5⁰⁰
per bag

Each bag covers 5600 sq. ft. and contains DPW, a natural slow release fertilizer.



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50% OFF
Smart Pots

Grow vegetables, flowers, and herbs. Designed for even water distribution and excellent drainage.

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30% OFF
all Dramm watering products

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20% OFF
Pottery



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\$10 OFF

Penn Mulch Reg. \$39.98

40 lb bag covers 500 square feet. Perfect for lawn seeding.



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GARDENING SUCCESS TIPS

FOR APRIL

TIP 1:

What makes lettuce bitter? Lettuce is a cool-season crop. It becomes bitter when grown in hot temperatures. Sow lettuce seed in early spring for May harvest and late summer for autumn harvest.

TIP 2:

Plant asparagus roots, seed potatoes, onions, cabbage, cauliflower, carrots, radishes, beets, and other root crops now.

TIP 3:

Fertilize spring-flowering bulbs such as tulips, daffodils, and hyacinths now by using a good bulb food. This helps prolong the blooming period and feeds the bulbs for years of enjoyment. Remember, never cut these bulbs down. By letting them die completely back on their own they feed themselves.

TIP 4:

Weed prevention starts now! For the lawn use Ferti-Lome For All Seasons Lawn Food Plus Crabgrass and Weed Preventer. Use Hi-Yield Dimension ornamental weed & grass stopper around trees, shrubs, flowerbeds, & rock areas. Hi-Yield Treflan can be used in vegetable beds after seeds have emerged.

TIP 5:

Spray your fruit trees with Fruit Tree Spray as soon as the flowers fade to control insects early.

TIP 6:

Fireblight is easy to prevent. Spray Apples, Raspberries, Pears, Hawthorn, Pyracantha, and Plums with Fertilome Fireblight Spray while they are in flower.

TIP 7:

Don't forget to remove tree wrap from your trees this month.

TIP 8:

Feed your trees, shrubs, and roses this month. Control insects at the same time by using a systemic insecticide appropriate for the species. Check with our staff for the products you need.

TIP 9:

Begin planting perennials now. Shasta Daisies, Lupine, Columbine, and many other perennials can go out in the garden now!

TIP 10:

April is a good month to use Horticultural Oil and Tree & Shrub Drench on aspen, lilac, and ash trees to control scale and other pests.

TIP 11:

Water lawn grass now, especially along sidewalks, driveways and on slope areas facing south and west.

TIP 12:

Over seed a thin lawn as temperatures begin to rise. Lightly rake areas to be seeded, exposing soil. Seed at a rate of 2 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. Cover with Fertilome Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss or Seed Accelerator. Water only enough to keep the surface moist.

TIP 13:

Has your compost pile stopped cooking? Reactivate the microbes this month with a prepared compost maker product and get the decomposition started again. Use Natural Guard Compost Maker for best results.

A Special Thank You to All of Our Vendors!

We want to thank all of our wonderful and dedicated vendors for your support of our 24th Annual Garden Success Show! You helped us kick off Spring and got everyone excited about the gardening season. Without your generosity and knowledge, our show wouldn't be as wonderful as it is today. It's because of you that we are able to have superb seminars, showcase new

products, and offer super show specials. We are grateful that you spend an entire weekend with us despite your busy schedules. We get great feedback on how nice it is for our customers to meet the "best in the biz." So we extend a big thank you for supporting Spencer's Garden Success Show and the Spencer family!



Weed Free Zone by Fertilome

is the most effective weed control product we carry. It works in cooler weather and is rainfast in 3 hours! It contains 4 active ingredients to provide broad-spectrum weed control to over 80 of the toughest to control broadleaf weeds.

Controls common and stubborn weeds such as mallow, henbit, puncture vine, thistle, bindweed, and more

- Simply spray and go
- Spot treat or apply to entire lawn
- Proven cool weather performance
- Use 2 fluid ounces per 1,000 square feet of lawn

Available in 16 and 32 ounce concentrates, ready-to-spray hose end applicator for large lawn applications, and 32 ounce and gallon ready to use sprays.

Organic Solutions for Tough Garden Problems

Here at Spencer's we are committed to providing the best local solutions for the toughest local problems. Working with innovative and small companies, we make sure we are at the forefront of the gardening industry. This is why we are expanding our organic and natural lines of fertilizers and pest controls. With products that are OMRI certified, you can feel good about your lawn and garden choices.

Down to Earth fertilizers use high quality ingredients that are approved for use in organic gardens for the eco-conscious gardener who wants to improve their harvest and strengthen soil health. Products include Fish and Bone Meal, Kelp Meal, Oyster Shell, Alfalfa Meal, Feather Meal, and Gypsum. Feather Meal is slow-release, nitrogen rich fertilizer derived from ground poultry feathers. It's great for heavy feeders such as tomato plants and long season crops. It's also a natural deer repellent! Gypsum is commonly used to reduce soil compaction and increase drainage in heavy clay soils. It improves the physical condition of soil in the lawn, garden, and landscape.

Natural Guard carries products to solve nearly any problem in your lawn and garden. Bug, Slug & Snail Bait can be used around vegetable gardens, in lawns, and around all landscape ornamentals. It is labeled to control slugs and snails, but also cutworms, earwigs, crickets, and more. It's safe for people and pets to enter the treatment area immediately after application. Spinosad controls many pests on many plants. Vegetables, ornamentals, lawns, and trees can be sprayed if under attack from aphids, moths, spider mites, and more. Destructive caterpillars like Tomato Hornworms can be controlled with Caterpillar Killer Spray with Bt. It's a biological insecticide affecting only caterpillars; beneficial insects, people, and pets are safe after application on ornamentals, vegetables, and more. Diatomaceous Earth is effective on many crawling insects but safe for beneficial earthworms. Horticultural Oil Spray is effective against aphids, scale, mites, fungi, and more on nearly anything in your yard and garden. Neem is an excellent multi-purpose product that takes care of mites, fungus, and insects and can also be used on most things in your yard and garden. Copper Soap is a great option for stubborn fungus on roses, vegetables, and fruit.

Not even weeds are safe from the natural products we carry. Natural Guard Grass & Weed Killer Non-Selective RTU kills all unwanted vegetation quickly. Planting can begin in as little as five days after application. Use it in mulch, around foundations, and to prepare areas for planting grass or flowers. Lawn Weed Killer RTU is a selective herbicide that eliminates broadleaf weeds such as clover, dandelion, chickweed, plantain, and more. It's most effective when weeds are small and is rainfast in three hours.

Add some Natural Guard Compost Maker to your compost pile or tumbler to get it cooking again. Composting has never been easier than with Natural Guard. Spencer's has all of the natural lawn and garden pest control options you need for a successful yard and garden. Stop by to see what options are best for you!

Protect Trees from Insect Invaders!

It seems homeowners always need to be on the lookout for a new problem invading their landscapes. Beetles have ravaged our forests, destroying trees and even making appearances in cities. We need to keep a watchful eye on our trees and be diligent in our chemical and fertilizer use, but also be proactive in selecting trees and shrubs that may not be as susceptible to damaging insects. We have a great selection of trees and shrubs that will provide shade, color, and beauty to your landscape and might not be so attractive to damaging pest insects.

Trees include varieties of Maple, Catalpa, Red bud, Hawthorn, Crabapple, Canada Red Chokecherry, as well as some Fruit Trees.

Shrubs include varieties of Potentilla, Spirea, Ninebark, Weigela, Butterfly Bush, and Barberry.

We can't protect our trees and shrubs from every insect or disease, so it's wise to have other options in planting. Diversify and be creative! To further protect trees and shrubs from chewing and boring insects, use Fertilome Tree & Shrub Systemic Insect Drench. Simply mix with water and pour around the base of the trees and shrubs. Just like that, your large landscape specimens are protected for a year!

Stop in and see all of our beautiful tree and shrub selections and pick up some Fertilome Tree & Shrub Systemic Insect Drench to protect your investments—another Local Solution brought to you by Fertilome and Spencer's!

Look for a money saving coupon on page 2!

Saturday Seminars are Back!

Join us on the following Saturdays for free seminars! Make this year the best you've ever seen. Learn something new before spring or troubleshoot last year's problems before they have a chance to pop up again. All seminars are free, but you must register online or over the phone.

March 28th

Fountain Location
9:00 Potting Seminar
11:00 Lawn Care

Tejon Location
9:00 Lawn Care

April 4

Fountain Location
9:30 Potting Seminar

Saturday Seminars
at a future date.
Thank you for your

April 11

Fountain Location
9:30 Spring Planting
and Seed Starting

Tejon Location
1:00 Spring Planting
and Seed Starting

April 18

Fountain Location
Lawn Care

Location
Lawn Care

Potting Seminar- Mike Sanders and Ernie Koppisch show you how our moss hanging baskets and hanging plants are planted. Plant varieties, spacing, care, and design are just a few things you will learn about.

Lawn Care- Lawns can be tricky in the Pikes Peak region, but Spencer's has the products to make your grass greener, healthier, and easier to maintain. Learn about our favorite products and solutions to common problems.

Timely Tips and Spring Products- It can be difficult to remember everything there is to do in the yard and when to complete the tasks. But don't worry; we'll cover it in this seminar! Find out what products to use now to prevent problems in later seasons to keep your yard looking spectacular.

Spring Planting and Seed Starting- A beautiful and productive garden starts now! Cool weather crops kick off the season with sweet blooms and delicious vegetables. Find out what to plant, when to plant, and how to protect plants in our often tumultuous spring

Seed Starting

April is the perfect time to start seeds indoors.

Many seeds germinate within two weeks and are then ready for transplanting outdoors from the middle to the end of May. Seedlings transplant easily outdoors but may require hardening off. Healthy plants begin with quality seeds. We feature Lake Valley brand, known for being non-gmo and free from neonicotinoid pesticides; Botanical Interest brand seeds, feature beautiful, informative packets with helpful tips. Both companies select seeds from quality growers around the world and are sold to independent garden centers.

Of course, selecting your seed is just the beginning. We carry Jiffy starting supplies and Ferti-lome seed starting mix to give you professional results and ease of growing. You'll find Jiffy pellets, trays, cell-paks, domes, seedling heat mats, and peat pots to accommodate almost any growing area. Ferti-lome seed starting mix provides the perfect soil-less medium for the health and maintenance of seedlings. It also helps prevent against disease and bacterial growth. Starting seeds indoors is not only fun, but also educational for kids (and grown-ups too!). We want you to get the most out of your garden this year. By getting an earlier start to the season you can enjoy your outdoor space longer.



Best Vegetable Plants for Raised Beds

Raised beds are most often chosen for their smaller space and reduced soil requirements. With this in mind, the best plants to choose are compact or can be supported for vertical growth.

Some tomato varieties stay short but provide full flavor fruits for snacking and salads. Traditional tomato plants can also be successfully grown with proper trellising and given plenty of space to grow. Planting herbs around tomatoes such as basil and cilantro will shade the herbs as the tomatoes grow. We feature organic herb plants from Desert Canyon Farms to enhance your vegetable gardens.

Corn saves space by propping up pole beans: two plants in one space! Since lettuces grow quickly and don't require full sun, they can be planted in between longer-season and taller plants. Other options include trellised cucumbers, all pepper varieties, and root vegetables. Melons often trail their vines six feet or more in search of sunlight and should not be confined to a small bed. Additionally, potatoes require a mound of soil built around the plants throughout the season and must have a dedicated bed or other container. Also avoid crops that come back each year such as asparagus or strawberries. Often, perennial plants will die if roots are exposed above the surrounding soil in small beds.

For more inspiration for your raised vegetable gardens, come to Spencer's!



Many Ways to "Raise" Your Garden

Raised beds are a great alternative for planting in Colorado's poor soil conditions. They are easy to build and even easier to maintain without all the backbreaking work of growing in-ground. All you need to begin are sides, which can be fashioned from wood, concrete, or metal to a depth of at least 18"-24". Options for raised beds include Earthboxes, Smart Pots, and assorted containers.

The next step is to fill your beds with the best soil you can find. At Spencer's you'll find premium compost from Nature's Yield and rich but light Fertilome Potting Soil containing perlite. Larger

endeavors may need cubic yards of soil from a bulk soil company.

Now the fun part – planning and planting! Choose from an incredible selection of herbs and vegetables from our reputable growers. To make watering your new plants easier, you can install a Soaker Hose. All you need to do is turn the hose on and the work is done!

As you watch your garden grow, keep an eye out for pests and fungus. Spencer's carries a wide range of products for all your needs at the first sign of problems. Broad Spectrum Landscape and Garden Fungicide stops a variety of fungus. To combat whitefly, aphids, and spider mites nothing beats Ferti-lome Triple Action! We also have a selection of natural and organic solutions for garden pests like Dipel Dust for worms in broccoli and cabbage, and Slug and Snail Bait for the slimy critters.

Throughout the season your plants will appreciate a steady supply of fertilizer. We recommend Ferti-lome's Gardener's Special, or organic products from Fox Farm. We also carry Gro-Rich Garden Fertilizer that contains natural DPW (dehydrated poultry waste).

Come to Spencer's to see all of the options in raised beds and to find the one perfect for your needs!

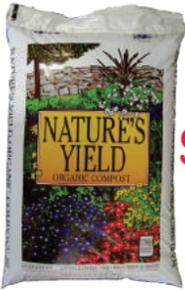


Spencer's Soil Sale

we sell SOIL, not dirt!

Nature's Yield Organic Compost

1.5 cu. ft. bag



SALE
\$7.98 ea.
reg. \$8.98 ea.

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Top Soil, Cow & Compost

1 cu. ft. bag



Mix & Match
3 bags for
\$10.98

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Sheep, Peat and Compost



SALE
3 for
\$14.98

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Fertilome All Natural Organic Pure Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss



2.2 cu.ft. bag
SALE
\$16.98 ea.
reg. \$16.98 ea.

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Spencer's Proudly Features Fertilome Potting Soil

Tested The Best Potting Soil by Colorado State University!

Fertilome Ultimate Potting Mix



SIZE
50 Quart
25 Quart
REG. PRICE
\$16.98
\$11.98
SALE PRICE
\$14.98
\$9.98

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Fox Farm Ocean Forest Potting Mix

1.5 cu. ft. bag



SALE
\$24.98 ea.
reg. \$29.98 ea.

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Fertilome Ultimate Potting Mix

3 cu. ft. bag



Best price of the year!

SUPER SALE
\$21.98 ea.
reg. \$24.98 per bag

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Natural Guard Organic Garden Soil

1.5 cu. ft. bag



SALE
\$14.98 ea.
reg. \$19.98 ea.

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Fertilome Organic Potting Soil

1.5 cu. ft. bag



SALE
\$17.98 ea.
reg. \$19.98 ea.

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Mountain West Gorilla Mulch



Soil Prep
Shredded Red Cedar

Buy 3 get one FREE
reg. \$9.98 ea.

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Keep Growing with
Spencer's ONLINE!

We are excited to start the growing season. Stay current by signing up for our e-Gardener newsletter featuring exclusive coupons and content delivered straight to your inbox.

Visit our website at www.spencersgardens.com, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.



All soils are *not* created equal!



It's important to use soil properly to maximize growth potential for the plants you place in it.

For instance, Top Soil should be used for raising elevation in lawn and garden areas because it lacks richness and nutrients that are vital for vigorous plant growth. Adding fertilizer is not enough; it's similar to eating a diet of potato chips but taking vitamins. It's not enough to maintain health and vitality.

Sphagnum Peat Moss helps retain moisture, aerates the soil, and is completely natural for organic gardening purposes. Can also be

used in compost bins to enhance decomposition and reduce odor.

Nature's Yield Compost is 100% organic compost that is great for all sorts of planting. Mixed with existing soil just before planting, it can help reduce transplant shock, create more vibrant colors in your flowers, and result in better tasting, larger vegetables and fruit with increased yield.

Earth Essentials Sheep, Peat, & Compost and Cow & Compost blends are great for tilling into garden beds. The nutrients and natural fertilizers will give your plants the healthy support they need while breaking up clay soils and retaining moisture.

For pots and container gardening, Fertilome's Ultimate Potting Mix is unbeatable. A true professional-grade potting soil that contain absolutely no bark or cheap fillers, unlike inexpensive box-store brands. It resists compaction and is light enough to start seedlings, yet rich enough to grow gorgeous

flowers and giant tomatoes.

Fox Farm Ocean Forest Organic Potting Soil is perfect for containers and is ready to use right out of the bag! Great for seedlings and all purpose planting.

Natural Guard Organic Garden Soil adds texture to sandy soil, loosens clay soils, and saves water. Amended with kelp meal and worm castings.

Fertilome Organic Potting Mix for organic gardening, it features extended release organic nutrition, mycorrhizae and worm castings, and is a moisture controlled formula. Never forget the importance of mulching! We carry Gorilla Mulch, Shredded Red Cedar, and Soil Pep to compliment your landscape while retaining water, cooling roots, and controlling weeds.

Let a Spencer's employee know what soils you need and we will be happy to load them in your vehicle. Stock up now during the best deal of the season!



Earthbox® Gardening System

Gardening is for everybody no matter the age or ability. But not everyone has the space, time, or ability to devote to a garden's needs. Fortunately, EarthBox® allows for small footprint successful gardening anywhere! EarthBox® has developed a gardening system that controls soil conditions and improves yield with little effort using less fertilizer and water than conventional gardens. Their patented system was developed, tested, and proven in the lab and on the farm- where results matter!

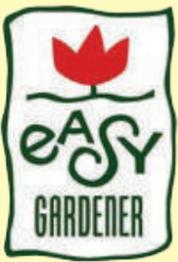
Earthbox® uses mulching fabric, a specially formulated fertilizer mix, natural dolomite, and a water wicking system, which means plants use water and fertilizer as they need it without competition from weeds, drought or overwater stress, all which allow for optimal growth. Simply assemble the EarthBox® by installing the casters, screen, and fill tube. Add high quality growing media containing peat moss and perlite (Fertilome's Ultimate Potting Mix is perfect for this!) and mix in the dolomite for added essential nutrients and protection against blossom end rot. Add fertilizer into a center trough, place the mulch cover over the top, and pour water into the fill tube until it begins to come out of the overflow hole. Plant your seedlings or plants into slits cut into the mulch cover, and watch them grow!

Come see the original EarthBox® in green and terracotta colors and the EarthBox® Junior for an even smaller gardening footprint. Improve the already amazing system with a staking kit, trellis, stand, or extension kit. Replanting kits are available so the EarthBox® can be reused year after year.



SUN SCREEN & HAIL FABRIC

by Easy Gardener



Sun Screen Fabric helps you keep your cool when temperatures soar. It's a versatile solution for all who want to enjoy the outdoors. without risking too much sun and heat exposure. The innovative, breathable fabric will allow heat to escape while cooling the area, reducing temperatures up to 15 degrees.

Enhance privacy as you create shade just about anywhere. Ideal for patios, play areas, pet enclosures, and shading plants. Sun Screen Fabric is easy to install, long-lasting, and cleans easily with a garden hose. It comes in six colors and grommets are optional. The fabric is 6 feet wide and cut to length.

- Provides shade, privacy & wind screening.
- Will not shrink, fade, mold, or mildew.
- Grommets and accessories sold separately.
- 6 colors to choose from!



IMPROVE YOUR SOIL WITH AN IMPROVED COMPOST SYSTEM!

Amend your raised bed gardens, vegetable garden, flowerbeds, and more with compost made in your own backyard. We've looked high and low for a great composter and we found it!

One of the basics of composting is allowing the compost to rest while not adding anything to it. Unfortunately, while waiting for the compost to mature and break down, it takes the space in your composter, leaving you scrambling for another place to put your compostable material. The Miracle-Gro Dual Chamber Tumbling Composter has solved that problem! Fill one chamber with your kitchen and yard scraps and once full, close the chamber and turn it as necessary. Begin a new compost pile in the next chamber, and add to it until the first chamber is ready to go to the garden. Then repeat! We're excited to add this to our inventory and help you improve your soil!



Come see it for yourself!

Spencer's Upcoming Events

Rose Pruning Class

On Saturday, April 14th from 9 – 1 at our Fountain location, members of the Pikes Peak Rose Society will teach a free class on pruning roses. Learn best practices, timing, favorite tools, and more. Call 719-392-2726 to reserve your spot!

Pikes Peak Rose Society Show

Join us at our Fountain location for the Pikes Peak Rose Society Show on Saturday, June 9th from 8:30-4. Come see all the beautiful varieties they've grown in the area and bring your rose gardening questions to the professionals.

Iris Society Annual Show & Sale!

This year's show will be held Friday, July 27th from 9-5 and Saturday, July 28th from 9-3. Stop in for one-of-a kind iris rhizomes as well as many tried and true varieties. Iris society members will be on hand to help you choose the best rhizomes for your garden. Rhizomes sell out quickly so come early! Call 719-392-2726 to reserve your spot at the Spencer's location at 1430

We will work with these organizations to reschedule these events. Thank you for your understanding.



Repel Pests and Be Attracted to Your Garden

The I Must Garden line of animal repellents keeps animals away but has pleasant scents to keep you coming back! This repellent is a great part of our arsenal and we are so excited to share it with you! What is the magic it's made of? Food grade ingredients, all deemed safe by the EPA! This means it's safer to use around pets, people, and is friendly to the earth! Spice and Mint are just a couple of the scents available and are designed to repel by taste and smell. The products are rain resistant, long lasting, and effective year-round. There are formulations made especially for deer, rabbits, squirrels, dogs, cats, insects, and more! Take a bottle of Mosquito, Tick, and Flea Control on your next picnic or camping adventure and rest assured that biting bugs will stay away and you're not damaging the environment. Stop in and learn more about these fantastic products!



Introducing, the Amazing Vegepod®!

Wouldn't it be nice if there were a self-watering, lightly shaded greenhouse that kept insects and animals out of our vegetable gardens while producing a bountiful harvest? It takes so much time to tend a large vegetable garden, time that we don't always have to commit with life's other priorities.

We are excited to bring you the Vegepod®! It seems too good to be true, but it really is as amazing as it sounds!

Vegepods start with a galvanized, powder-coated steel stand to raise your garden up to about waist height. Then a sturdy well and wicking system is placed on the stand. Fill with soil, seeds or starter plants, and then close the hinged top to cover. The cover is made of a fine mesh designed to lightly shade plants (very important since we get such blistering sun scorch!), has misters along the top to water, keeps almost every insect and animal out, and creates the perfect, breathable microclimate to



grow and nurture plants. Simply attach your hose to the built in hose, turn on when you need to water, and watch your plants take off! The water well fills to encourage roots to grow deeper and use water as they need. This water-conserving feature is important as we enter some potentially dry months. The deep soil area allows you to grow root vegetables that many other container gardens limit. With a winter cover (sold separately) you can grow herbs and vegetables year round! If you are short on gardening space, time, or need something more accessible, the Vegepod® is your answer to home grown vegetables.

Smart Pots... Your Better Growing Container

Smart pots are unique growing containers that simply grow the best plant possible. Its award-winning original fabric is designed to enhance your gardening experience by growing healthier and more fruitful plants. Grow vegetables, herbs, flowers, and more... anything that has a root! Smart pots are designed for even water distribution and excellent drainage.



Imagine not worrying about root rot or soggy plants! They are soft-sided fabric but rigid enough to hold their shape. These pots are perfect for small spaces, raised bed gardening, even composting! We carry many sizes and several colors. Try it for yourself, even if you don't have the greenest thumb. Smart!



A Guide to Grass

Spencer's carries a complete line of grass seed mixtures to ensure that you have a thick, healthy, beautiful lawn. We carry drought tolerant varieties, low maintenance, and mixtures for lawn patching.

VARIETIES INCLUDE:

Match & Patch: Great for patching bare spots! This mixture blends perfectly into your existing bluegrass lawn.

Colorado's Own: Perfect for over-seeding thin lawns, patching, and is quick to germinate.

Rocky's Ballpark: Stands up to heavy traffic, blends in with existing lawns, and germinates quickly.

Water-Less Turf Blend: This all-fescue mix is designed for parkways, areas left virtually unattended once the grass seed has germinated and has been established. It's also great for areas that are hard to reach with irrigation.

Shade & Shadow Mix: Designed to help fill in under and around shade trees, areas shaded by the house, and other shady yard spots. It can also withstand sun for combination problems.

Colorado High Altitude Mix: Very drought tolerant and low growing, this mix is perfect for hills and slopes. It can be mowed or left to appear natural.

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You'll find Fertilome Canadian Black Peat Moss and Seed Accelerator for top dressing the seed after sowing. Refer to our Penn Mulch article for more information on protecting grass seed and newly seeded areas.

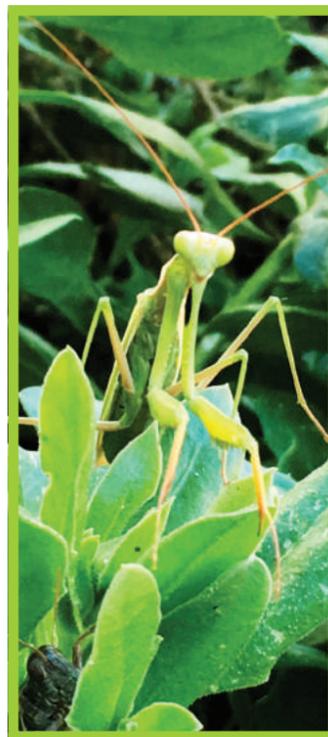


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is a process requiring preparation and patience. If you need to seed a large area or repair lawn patches, start by readying the soil properly, purchasing high quality grass seed, and finish with Penn Mulch Seed Accelerator. It contains a state of the art polymer and mulch that easily breaks down once the seed begins to germinate. It only takes a thin layer to ensure grass seed won't dry out or blow away. It's cleaner than seed protection methods such as straw, contains no weed seeds, and breaks down without taking nutrients from the soil. Simply spread a light layer over sown grass seed and gently water. Not only will it protect the seed from drying out and disturbance from unwelcome pests, Penn Mulch contains a full rate of starter fertilizer to give your germinating lawn a boost of nutrition and conveniently eliminates a step from the lawn seeding process. Seeding a new lawn needn't be a daunting task. Talk to one of our associates to find out what grass seed blend would work best for you, and then grab a bag of Penn Mulch for best results.

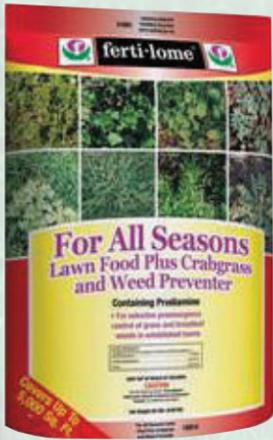
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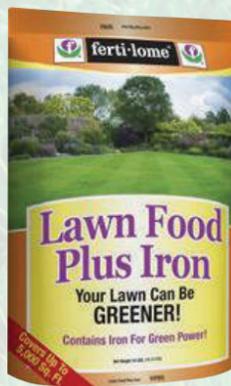
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