



Christmas Trees

The Christmas Season will start for us at the beginning of December, when our Christmas Trees arrive. Our trees will be on display under cover, so you can have time to choose in the dry. We will have a selection of trees including the non drop Nordman Fir and traditional Norway spruce. We will have pot grown trees for sale from the end of November. We are happy to net wrap the trees to make transportation clean and easy.



Holly Wreaths

Each year we make all our own holly wreaths and crosses. This gives us the opportunity to try different designs and colour schemes. It also means the wreaths are as fresh as possible. To make these wreaths we need one important ingredient.

Holly !

Do you have a bush we could come and trim for you? Or if you have trimmed your own bush we would love your trimmings. Please give us a call on the number at the top of this leaflet if you are able to help us.



Gift Ideas

We have lots of gift ideas to make the important people in your life feel special. We will have a selection of planted arrangements and *Hyacinth* bowls from which you can choose. We have *Cyclamen* that we have grown ourselves and will have *Poinsettias* from the beginning of December.

We now have a range of garden bird products, which can make ideal presents, as well as seed, nuts, feeders and bird tables.



SUPPORTING PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

The students have been busy cutting back and potting up herbaceous plants, ready for overwintering in the tunnels. The winter bedding plants have been planted and now make a fine winter splash of colour. During their horticulture sessions they will help wire fir cones that they have collected from around the estate for use on our holly wreaths. Thank you for your custom in 2009 and we look forward to seeing you in 2010.

Where to Find Us

We are situated on the Englefield Estate, just 3 miles from the M4 junction 12. Englefield is signposted off the A340 Theale to Pangbourne road.



Open : 9-5pm Monday - Saturday (Sun : 10-4pm Dec)
Tel : 0118 9304898 or visit www.Englefieldgardencentre.co.uk

Winter 2009



The temperature is dropping and daylight hours are decreasing. Hopefully by now your delicate plants have been covered with fleece or brought under cover to protect them from the frosts. *Pansies* and *Violas* are a good alternative to summer bedding. Another good choice for winter colour is *Heathers* planted with *Skimmia japonica*, *Pieris* or *Gaultheria* with its bright red berries. Just remember these plants would prefer to be planted in ericaceous compost.



Primroses and *Polyanthus* are ideal for a splash of colour, or *Daffodils* and *Tulips* pushing up between *Wallflowers*, planted in October and November will give good displays in spring. You can bring your garden indoors if you do not wish to brave the elements outside, we have bulbs that can be planted indoors such as *Hyacinths* and *Paperwhite narcissi*.



Winter Gardening

Hard clay soils would benefit from a good dig over before Christmas then during cold wet weather the soil will break up and be ready for planting in the spring. Covering your vegetable plot in black plastic or mypex ground cover will help prevent weed growth, it will also help warm the soil in the spring ready for planting next season.

Christmas



Are we allowed to mention that Christmas is only a few weeks away. We have a selection of gifts, Christmas cards and Charity cards. A good idea for Christmas gifts are National Garden Gift Vouchers. They can be used in outlets all round the country and come with a choice of cards. They are also convenient to post and don't need wrapping! We are also happy to wrap your Christmas plants.

