

DIG THIS By Peg Tillery (for 6-21-06) Great Nursery Websites to Visit © 2006

Many of our local nurseries are now available in cyberspace. I've found four websites you'll want to explore.

Valley Nursery on Bond Road in Poulsbo can be found online at www.valleynurseryinc.com. You'll want to sign up online for their newsletter. Valley Nursery has just begun a new promotion called "Valley Nursery's Garden Club." Stop in the nursery and fill out their form, dropping it in the "sign up" box in the garden shop. As a member you'll receive offers designed exclusively for you: special "member days" with exclusive opportunities; advance notice of selected special customer events and programs; plant bucks earned from purchases made; and weekly e-mails with information on new products; weather alerts; notification of sales and printable discounts. You'll also receive the monthly newsletters with gardening advice and free registration to seminars. When you sign up for this great "club" you'll also become eligible to win a \$75 gift card. To qualify for this prize you'll need to sign up directly in the nursery, not online. The drawing for the gift card is June 30 and you need not be present to win.

Clear Creek Nursery on Clear Creek Road, north of the Silverdale Mall has classes nearly every day of the weekend. Some of the classes are \$10 which includes a \$10 off coupon applied towards your purchases that day. At www.clearcreeknursery.net you'll be able to meet the Clear Creek Nursery staff, see photos of landscapes installed by Clear Creek Nursery's landscaping team, read about all the classes offered throughout the year and browse the site for gardening inspiration. You'll especially be tempted by an upcoming Nordstrom fashion show in the nursery gardens. This event is free with lunches available. Make your reservations by stopping by the nursery or calling 360-308-8210. You'll also want to find out about the nursery's Greenbacks Rewards Club. Read about it online or ask at the nursery. The specials available through the Greenbacks Rewards Club changes frequently to benefit the customers.

The website for Savage Plants is a feast for the eyes. Visit www.savageplants.com to sign up for their mailing list. You'll also be able to view striking photos of incredible installations by owner Jim Savage and the landscape team. The website has sparkling photos and lists of available plants. The history of the nursery is online too. Their webmeister does an exquisite job of showcasing the ambience and luxuriousness of this local nursery on Bond Road in Kingston.

Sundquist Nursery is on Sawdust Hill Road in Poulsbo accessed from Bond Road. Nils Sundquist has always been a wordmeister. His words and the photos at www.sqnursery.com will make you salivate with plant lust. Nils not only informs about the selections at the nursery, but also tempts and tantalizes you along with providing a great bit of education on growing the perfect plants for our area. The photos are so clear and vibrant you'll feel as if you could reach right in and pick out a plant for your garden. This nursery never disappoints. At any given time you'll find more than 100,000 plants of more than 100 varieties. The display gardens are extremely educational and picturesque. Upcoming events are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday June 23 and 24 with

“Frolicking Flowers and Ferns” and Friday and Saturday July 21 and 22 with “Mad Dog Days Summer Splendor.” When you check out the website make sure you check out some of Nils’ (and my) favorite plants, the epimedium. The nursery is also open by appointment by calling 360-779-6343.

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