

Buena Tierra

November 2007

An Eco-Christmas at Whiting's

An exciting new beginning

Christmas at Whiting's is a special time every year and this year we are announcing a new beginning. Our goal is to ensure that our employees and our community benefit from our existence. We are changing our 'philosophy and life-style' to 'eco and sustainable'. We have partnered with Spruce Design to introduce a full line of eco-furniture and sustainable furnishings for your home. We have always embraced the 'organic' gardening philosophy and 'earth' friendly practices. Our commitment is now whole heartedly 'eco and sustainable' products for your home and garden.

Our 'eco furniture' and 'home furnishings' are beautifully displayed and are the highlight of our 'Christmas' display. Recycled glass place-settings and silverware are classically displayed atop beautifully reclaimed wood tables. Tasteful ornaments, exclusive gifts, poinsettias and exquisitely decorated Christmas trees brighten our 'barn' and turn it into a winter wonderland. Christmas trees, wreaths, and garland will be available Friday November 23rd. We are taking orders for trees now so call ahead with your request. We also offer our 'Tree Life-treatment Program'. For a nominal fee we'll spray your tree with 'Cloud Cover' to extend its indoor life. Kevin has done this every year for 18 years and his cut tree lasts the entire Christmas season.

We also offer a Christmas tree re-cycle program for the community. Return your tree to the nursery after the holidays and we'll chip it up and use the mulch at the nursery. You can drop your tree off at the nursery the week following Christmas.

Come in and enjoy our first 'Eco-Christmas' at Whiting Nursery.



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The Whiting Nursery goal is to provide our customers the highest quality plant material and garden products available at a reasonable value with exceptional customer service. We aim to provide a friendly, educational atmosphere for our customers to achieve gardening success.



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Dormant Spraying for Roses & Fruit Trees

Peaches and Nectarines

December is the month to begin your dormant spraying program. At the time your Peach and Nectarine trees drop approximately one half their leaves it's time to spray **Lily Miller MicroCop with Sta Stuk**. This early spray is the first line of defense against disease. Be sure to clean up all leaf droppings and spray the ground below the tree also. Apply a second application in January and if you had a serious problem this last year, apply a third application in February. The final application should be made when the peach flowers are at two-thirds petal drop. (Do not use Sta Stuk when foliage or fruit buds are present – use Master Nursery Sure Grip Spreader Sticker.)

All other Fruit Trees (ie. Apples, Plums, Pears)



Spray a 'combination' spray as a preventative measure to control over-wintering insects and fungal spores. For a combination spray, mix **Lily Miller's Polysul** and **Master Nursery Pestfighter Year Round Spray Oil** together. This is a great time-saving way to complete your dormant spraying.

Roses

After you finish pruning you should spray your plants with dormant sprays. We are concerned with controlling over wintering insects and fungal spores. For a combination spray, mix **Lily Miller's Polysul** and **Master Nursery Pestfighter Year Round Spray Oil** together. This is a great time saving way to complete your dormant spraying.

Upcoming Holiday Seminars

All Seminars take place at Whiting Nursery

Holiday Wreath Making Workshop

Date: Tuesday, November 27

Time: 3:00-5:00 pm

Join us for a fun, creative Holiday Wreath Making Workshop on Tuesday Nov. 27th at 4:00pm in the nursery loft. Susan Wood, our talented Gift Buyer will share her creative ideas and skill creating stunning holiday wreaths.

We'll supply the glue gun, accessories, and a work area. You just need to supply the willingness to learn and have some fun. Demonstration and hands-on/take-home craft activity. Cost \$25; Coffee and cookies included. Must pre-register at 707/963-5358.



Care & Feeding of Christmas Trees

Date: Sunday, December 9

Time: 2:00-2:20 pm

Learn how to care for your fresh-cut or living Christmas tree from Christmas tree guru (and Whiting's owner) Kevin Twohey. A few 'key' tips will help you enjoy your tree throughout the holiday season. No cost; no need to pre-register. Trees available to purchase as well.

Tasks for the Month

NOVEMBER

- 🌸 Continue planting spring flowering bulbs – *Daffodils, Freesias, Hyacinths and Tulips*.
- 🌸 Plant *Garlic, Onions and Shallots* now. Also, don't forget to plant *Lettuce, Chards, Beets, Leeks, and Spinach* too.
- 🌸 Feed your roses now to promote another bloom before Christmas. Fertilize roses after each bloom cycle with *Dr. Earth Rose Food*.
- 🌸 Clean up yard debris as it accumulates. Add it to your compost bin and it'll be ready to dig in by spring.
- 🌸 Last year was the worst year ever for **Peach Leaf Curl**. Spray now as Peach and Nectarine leaves fall with **Lily Miller Micro Cop with Sta-Stuk**. Be sure to remove all leaves and old fruit pits from the ground.
- 🌸 Plant annual winter color of *Cyclamen, Flowering Cabbage, Pansies, Violas, Iceland Poppy, and Primroses*.
- 🌸 Winterize your lawn by feeding with **Master Nursery Fall & Winter Feed** fertilizer and keep your lawn a lush, dark green ALL winter.



Holiday Open House

You're invited to join us November 28, 2007 from 5pm to 7pm for a special evening of Eco-Home Christmas and shopping.

- 🌸 Wines poured by Pine Ridge and Whitehall Lane Wineries
- 🌸 Appetizers

DATES

NOVEMBER

- 15th Trout season closes
- 22nd Thanksgiving– Closed
- 23rd Christmas Trees Arrive
- 24th New Moon
- 27th Wreath Making Workshop
- 28th Holiday Open House

DECEMBER

- 9th Care and Feeding of Christmas Trees Workshop