

PLANTS & GARDEN ~ OVERVIEW

Nothing beats calling in to see us and browsing our extensive selection for yourself, but here's a bit more information about the full range of plants that we offer:

Shrubs

Garden shrubs for all locations and all conditions; plants are our strength & our passion and we stock a great seasonal selection, sourced from the best nurseries in the country. We stock evergreens & deciduous plants grown for shape or flowers or leaf or stem, all pot grown & offered in a variety of sizes & prices at different times of the year to suit all requirements. Shrubs give the garden great structure & maturity; they provide protection for smaller plants & even support for climbers, they are long lived & easily maintained and when chosen well they provide colour & interest throughout the year.

Herbaceous Perennials

Summer flowering herbaceous plants are the mainstay of the English cottage garden. Their use is endless within borders just on their own or mixed in with shrubs & evergreens. For colour, height, texture & impact you can't beat splashes of perennial plants to lift the garden & we stock a changing range through the spring & summer months. We specialise in hardy plants that are English grown for reliability & value.

Rhododendrons & Azaleas

Becoming popular once again, the acid loving rhododendrons & azaleas are a very useful early flowering shrub. The evergreen varieties give interest through the year in shape, form & texture, and they hold their flowers long in the bud just waiting for that warm spell before popping open. Lovers of shade and happy in dry spots below trees, once established they are an invaluable plant for the garden, and many of the smaller varieties are great in tubs on the patio.

Clematis & Climbers

In our gardens we all have fences, walls & other structures. Left alone these can be stark & obtrusive, yet the simple addition of climbing plants will soften and add a backcloth to the borders. Before choosing a plant simply for foliage, remember there is also a great wealth of flowering climbers – clematis, of course, are a group of plants worthy of a few spots in any garden. The use of climbers on other structures is rewarding: wooden or metal gazebos, arches or obelisks all add tremendous interest, height, structure and colour to the garden. A small obelisk reaching out of a herbaceous border with perhaps a large flowered clematis, is a lovely feature. Alternatively why not grow climbers through other plants, clematis are great for plant combinations, growing through trees or shrubs to give a feature a second flowering period.

Alpines

A selection of seasonal plants from the mountains, great for the rock garden or alpine trough, grown in the UK - hardy perennials, evergreens and small shrubs that will give colour & interest throughout the year.

Conifers

Still a popular & useful range of evergreen plants, conifers are great for hedging. They are also very good planted in specific or mixed borders. With such a vast range available they give a superb selection of colour shape, texture & form. They have always mixed well with heathers, & other evergreens to provide great winter & early spring interest.

Herbs

We stock a fantastic range of fresh herbs for use in the kitchen. What can be better? Stepping outside the door, a quick snip, and you have a selection of fragrant fresh herbs to add to your savoury dishes. Best grown close to the house, for some warmth & protection and for that easy access, herbs can be grown very easily within borders or tubs & pots.

Bedding Plants

The use of bedding plants for some quick-growing seasonal impact in the garden is a must. For colour and speed of growth the annual bedding plants are the very best at filling gaps in borders, and providing interest in tubs, pots & baskets. Planted in formal themes or just in an array of colour, their use is limitless. Mostly frost tender e.g. geraniums fuchsia & busy lizzies, but the colourful pansies & violas are fantastic for the autumn winter period.

Fruit & Vegetables

Growing your own fruit & vegetables has never been more popular, in the garden, allotment or even just in tubs & pots on the patio. We stock a great range of soft fruit bushes, top fruit trees and lots of vegetable plants in season.

Trees & Fruit Trees

Our range of locally grown ornamental and fruit trees are 2 to 3 yrs old and pot grown for fast establishment. Trees add height & structure to gardens and borders and we have trees to suit all sizes & shapes of garden, to provide shelter, screening, colour & interest. Plant them anytime of year but for the best results September to March.

An essential element in any garden providing habitats for birds & insects, they are also a great commemorative planting, to celebrate or remember occasions in a family's life. We have a great range of varieties including an old English heritage collection, medium & dwarf rootstock, apple, pear, plum and damson etc.

Roses

Traditional and very English, roses have always been a firm favourite for the border. Becoming very popular again now, especially with the New English Roses from David Austin, they have lovely blousy blooms of fragrant flowers on trouble free plants. We still carry, in season, a wide range of Hybrid Tea, Floribunda & climbing roses, new varieties and old favourites. In the summer we stock the beautiful patio roses, long flowering short plants suitable for the border but best used in pots.

Hedging

Locally grown & lifted fresh almost weekly during the Autumn & Winter months, we offer a good range of bare root hedging, ideal for creating a true mixed English hedgerow or filling gaps in existing boundaries. To complement this we stock, all year round, potted laurels in many sizes & leylandii & thujia which are the best in evergreen hedging.