Montgomery County

### Cooperative Extension Service

# HORTICULTURE HAPPENINGS

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# GREETINGS FROM YOUR LOCAL HORTICULTURE AGENT



April showers bringing in the May flowers! I am so excited to SPRING in to the best time of the year with you all!

There is a lot happening in the near future in the world of Montgomery County Horticulture so stay tuned!

Scan the QR code below to list some programs you would like to see in Montgomery County!

**SCAN ME!** 



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# Montgomery County Extension Office Plant Sale

Montgomery County Extension Office Education Center April 1, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Allstar Strawberries

Earliglow Strawberries

Natchez Blackberries

Candy Unions

Duke Blueberries

Chandler Blueberries

Prelude Raspberries

Jewel Black Raspberries

Millennium Asparagus

\$7.42 per bundle of 25

\$7.42per bundle of 25

\$5.30

TBD

\$9.00

\$9.00

\$4.25 Bareroot

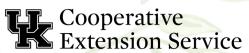
\$5.30

\$1.06 per crown

Prices are as listed and include sales tax.

CASH OR CHECK ONLY!

Quantities are limited! NU holds!



Montgomery County Cooperative Extension presents

### A Gardener's Toolkit

a Bi-weekly Series from May to August hosted by Cheyenne Lamb, Horticulture Agent

May 5 at 5:00 pm	Companion Planting
May 19 at 5:00 pm	Container Gardens
June 2 at 5:00 pm	Composting
June 16 at 5:00 pm	Pollinators
June 30 at 5:00 pm	Irrigation
July 7 at 5:00 pm	Summer Pests and Diseases
July 21 at 5:00 pm	Harvest and Food Preservation
August 4 at 5:00 pm	Fall Gardens and Cover Crops
August 18 at 5:00 pm	End of Season Gardening

All classes are held on the first, third, and fifth Monday of the month at 5:00 p.m.
They will be hosted in the Montgomery County Cooperative Extension Annex garage
102 E. Locust Street Mt. Sterling, KY 40353.

Sign-ups are for all the classes!

If you miss more than 2 classes your spot will
go to someone on the waitlist.

The sign-up deadline is April 25th at 4:00 p.m.

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# GROW SMART WITH SOW: KENTUCKY GARDENERS' ULTIMATE APP FOR PLANTING SUCCESS

Kentucky gardeners can download a free tool in the Apple and Google Play app stores to help them decide what to plant and harvest in their home garden.

The app SOW—A Planting Companion is largely based on ID-128 Home Vegetable Gardening in Kentucky from the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension. The app also has information from the Cooperative Extension services in Alabama and North Carolina for users in those states. The app provides growing information for Plant Hardiness Zones 6a-9a. Some parts of Kentucky are in zones 6a or 7a, but most of the state is in zone 6b.

When you get the app, enter your state and county for plant information specific to your hardiness zone. You can always go back to the settings menu and change the information if you are interested in looking at data specific for other hardiness zones.

The app has three main parts: Library, My Garden and Journal.

### <u>Library:</u>

The library has informational sheets and pictures of almost 40 common home garden vegetables. You can arrange the vegetables by planting date, vegetable name or harvest date.

When you click on a vegetable in the library, more information about that vegetable will appear. This information includes how many plants you need to grow for a good harvest, how far apart you should plant them, how deep you should plant them, and the range of pH levels in the soil. There are also specific cultivars of each crop recommended for Kentucky gardens.

### My Garden:

You can also add plants to the My Garden area. You can design more than one garden at the same time. For example, you could have a spring garden, a summer garden and a fall garden. My Garden helps you remember when you planted, whether you used seeds or transplants, what cultivar or variety you planted and when you should be able to harvest it.

You can also plan and enter a date to plant in the future. This is beneficial when you are planning transitions from the spring to summer garden, or from summer to fall. The app will then let you add that scheduled planting date to your phone's calendar as a reminder.

#### Journal:

Once a crop is harvested, use the Journal section to write down the yield, the harvest date and any other information that might help you plan your garden for next year. The app can also link you to your local Cooperative Extension office, where you'll find staff information and ways to contact extension agents with questions.

Information provided to you by Cheyenne Lamb, Montgomery County Horticulture Agent. Source: Rick Durham, UK horticulture extension specialist.

For more information on gardening tips, contact your Montgomery County Extension office.