



Information Guide





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“Whether created by a famous sculptor from the past or a current apprentice of today, one thing remains the same: every piece has a meaning and a story that will touch someone in some way.”

Al’s Garden Art, Inc.



Contact Information

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. is available to assist you with all of your gardening and horticultural needs. We can help you turn your yard into an inviting and entertaining outdoor living room.

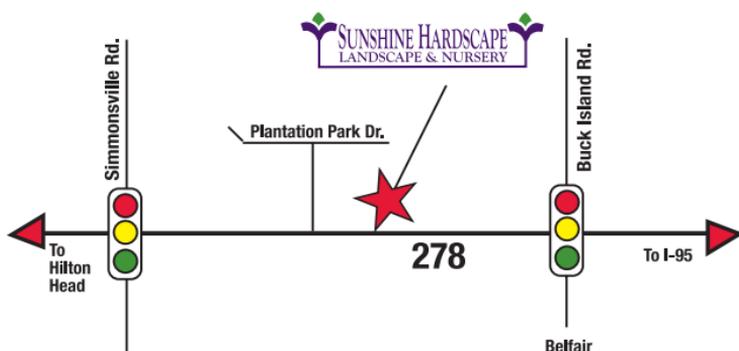
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Guarantee

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. warrants plant materials for a period of 7 days. Please ask about plants sold at discount or on sale as they may not be eligible for replacement. The original receipt is always required.

If at any time your plants do not look healthy, bring a sample in as soon as possible; do not wait until the plant is dead. If it is not possible to come in, please call or email us a picture. We will be happy to provide you with advice on how to return the plant to good health.

If a plant does not survive, and is still under warranty, bring in the plant along with the sales receipt. We will replace it with a new one of equal value or give you a store credit. No cash refunds. We will not replant replacement plants. All replacements are one time only and they carry no warranty.

No replacement will be given if the plant failure is due to damage from deer, rabbits, pets, owner neglect, vandalism, damage from vehicles or bicycles, severe weather (such as high winds, drought, ice storms, severe heat or cold, flooding, etc.), insect damage, disease, or Acts of God.

Returns

Refunds are not available. Store credit or exchange only, with a valid receipt. If a return voucher is issued, it should be treated the same as cash. It cannot be replaced if it is lost or stolen.

Because of the perishable nature of plants, we will accept the return of a plant within 7 days of purchase, with your receipt. The plant must be in its original condition and watered as needed until the return is made. Houseplants and annuals are not returnable.

If returning hard goods, you must have your receipt and the item must be in original condition. Any items that are chipped, scratched, or cracked will not be accepted for return. No exceptions. Items over 25 pounds will incur a 15% restocking fee. Returns must be made within 14 days of purchase.

Seasonal Calendar and Hours

HOURS

Regular Hours: 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM
Monday – Saturday
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Sunday

June 15th – September 15th
Summer Hours: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Monday – Saturday
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Sunday

Please call ahead on days of extreme heat or cold as we may close early. Hours are subject to change without notice.

HOLIDAYS

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. closes in observance of the following holidays:

New Year's Day
Easter
Independence Day
Memorial Day
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

We also close early on New Year's Eve and Christmas Eve. Please call for times.

GIFTS AND GIFT REGISTRY FOR ALL OCCASIONS

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. carries a variety of gifts tailored for each season and for each holiday. We also offer a gift registry for all occasions to make sure you get exactly what you want! Shop with us for gifts for everything from Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Hanukah. Not to mention weddings, a house warming, an office opening, or for that special someone who's in the hospital. Whatever the reason, we can fulfill your need.



HOLIDAY DECORATING

Come visit us for that special added touch to your home and garden during the holidays. Custom themed container gardens for all holidays – large or small, we can do it all. Our container or yours, indoors or out - give us a shout.

Halloween – Our pumpkin patch has large and small sizes to suit everyone’s needs. Sunshine Nursery, Inc. has all your decorating needs – gourds, scarecrows, cornstalks, wheat straw, mums, annuals, and more.

Christmas – Our greenery arrives the week of Thanksgiving. We carry a variety of wreaths, roping, and poinsettias, as well as holiday inspired containers. Christmas trees range from table top size up to twelve (12) feet. Larger sizes can be special ordered. You can choose from our large selection of decorated wreaths, or pick a custom made bow and decorate it yourself! We carry a wide assortment of ribbons and have bow-making expertise! Christmas tree delivery to your home or office is available for an additional charge.

YEAR LONG SELECTIONS

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. carries a wide and varied selection of annuals and perennials throughout the year, specializing in Monrovia products. Add color to your outdoor living space by planting color around your home. Brighten up your porch or deck area with hanging baskets, glazed pots, cast stone, cast iron, or wrought iron containers. We also offer a large selection of indoor and outdoor fountains as well as plumbed bronze statues.

We have trees, evergreens, and shrubbery from one gallon containers up to 100 gallon containers. Larger sizes and specialty materials are available by special order. Please inquire for availability, pricing, and deposit requirements.

Delivery and Planting Services (D & P)

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. is pleased to provide delivery and/or planting of materials purchased at full retail prices. For deliveries, delivery will be made to the end of the driveway only. For plantings, we will schedule an appointment to ensure the product is planted in the proper location. This is to be a simple planting; we will not transplant other plants and we will not dig out a plant bed.

D & P Fees

Planting Cost - 50% of the retail price of the plant materials

Delivery Fee - based on the location of the residence or plantation

Gate Fee – based on cost at the gate

Warranty for Planting

If Sunshine Nursery, Inc. does the installation, we will warranty the plant material for a period of ninety (90) days provided the material is under complete automatic irrigation system, inspected and in good working condition, and verified by a technician in the employ of Sunshine Nursery, Inc. If plant material is replaced during the ninety day period, it will not be guaranteed again. Labor is not included on replacement planting, and will be charged at an additional rate of \$25.00 per hour with a two hour minimum.

Plant materials are not guaranteed against damage from deer, rabbits, pets, owner neglect, vandalism, damage from vehicles or bicycles, severe weather (such as high winds, drought, ice storms, severe heat or cold, flooding, etc.), insect damage, disease, or Acts of God.

Fountain Delivery and Set-Up

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. will deliver and/or set-up fountains and other hard goods purchased at full retail prices. Both deliveries and set-ups require someone to sign that the product is free from

any scratches, chips, or cracks. Deliveries will be made to the end of the driveway only. Placement up the stairs or around the corner can be made for an additional fee and must be scheduled prior to delivery of the item as additional manpower is needed. Prior to scheduling a fountain set-up, we require photos of the location the fountain is to be installed, as well as photos showing how the area is to be accessed. It is also necessary to have a power supply and water available for the set-up to ensure the fountain is flowing properly.

Fountain Fees

Fountain Set Up – based on the size of the fountain and location on property

Delivery Fee – based on the location of the residence or plantation

Gate Fee – based on cost at the gate





Specials

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. offers specials throughout the year.

Daily: 10% off sales over \$1,000 (applies only to plant purchases – not to annuals, perennials, pine straw, pottery, fountains, wrought iron, or other hard goods)

Wednesday: 10% off for customers 55 years or better

Seasonal: Call for specials

Gift Certificates

Gift certificates are available in any amount over \$25. They make wonderful gifts for holidays, birthdays, weddings, house warmings, graduations, and other special occasions. Please note: Gift certificates are to be treated the same as cash, and they cannot be replaced if lost or stolen. Gift certificates expire one year from date of purchase.

TIPS ON PLANTING

Know Your Planting Zone

Bluffton and Hilton Head, South Carolina, are in Growing Zone 8. October, November and early December are good months to plant your trees or shrubs. During the winter months, roots store nutrient reserves for the next season. Also, water requirements are generally much less during winter months.

Know Your Plant Material

Read any information available on your tree, plant, flower, or shrub. Check your local library for books and magazines on horticulture and planting. The Internet also provides limitless web sites with a variety links to specific plants and trees.

Plant Preparation

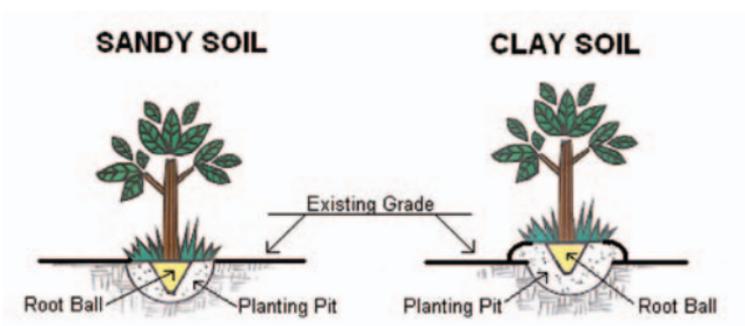
When planting trees, shrubs, or flowers, make sure you take them out of plastic containers, burlap bags, or other constraints. Containers from your local nursery are meant for short-term use only. All plants and trees will either need a larger container, or need to be planted into the ground. Loosen the root ball gently prior to repotting or planting your plant material.

Soil and Soil Preparation

Sandy soil may require the addition of a water-retentive product that will help reduce short term drought stress. If you have hard clay soil, you will need to amend the soil to provide an optimal planting environment for your plant or tree. The addition of organic matter will aid in drainage, improve aeration and add to the fertility of the soil by the release of valuable nutrients from the decomposing matter. Test the soil. Some trees grow better in dry, sandy soils and others grow better in damp soil. Every type of tree and plant has their own needs; check the soil's pH, salinity, nutrients, etc.

It's Time to Plant

Dig the hole as deep as the root ball and at least two times wider. This keeps the tree or shrub from sinking as the soil settles while allowing the feeder roots to grow out into the looser and generally more fertile top-soil. Place your tree or shrub into the hole. Add some soil to support the tree while you check all the way around to make sure it is



standing up straight and is facing the direction you desire. The top of the root ball, (where the trunk widens and roots flare out), should be one to two inches above the soil. (Note: Heavy clay soils have poor drainage which will cause the roots to drown and thus the plant to die. Planting with the top of the root ball three to six inches above the soil, depending on the size of the root ball, will allow the root system to move water to the surface and away from the planting pit.) Level to allow for some settling. Water the soil thoroughly with a slow stream of water. Mulch the area around the tree with a few inches of mulch. Keep the mulch from touching the trunk.

Mulch

Mulch is good. It protects fall transplants by keeping soil warmer longer, and it helps retain moisture all year long, aids drainage, improves aeration and adds to the fertility of the soil by the release of valuable nutrients from the decomposing matter. Suitable organic matter includes well-rotted garden compost, spent mushroom compost, and hardwood mulch.

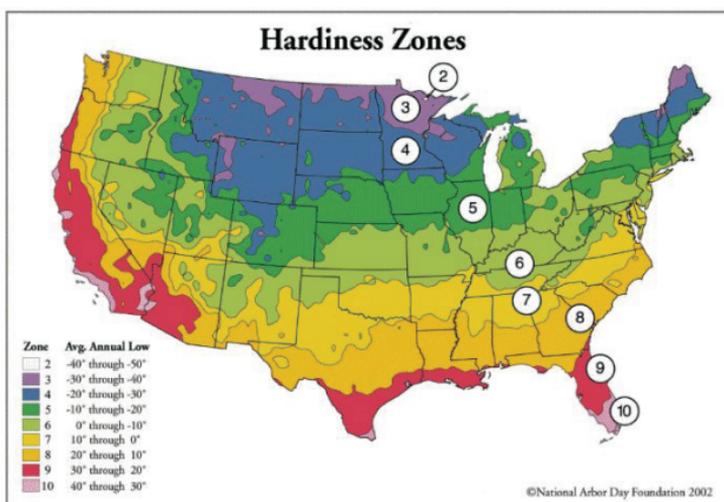


Hardiness Zone

Most gardeners are familiar with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Cold Hardiness Zone Map. First published in 1960 and updated in 1990, this map is based on average annual minimum temperatures recorded throughout North America. By using the map to find the zone in which you live, you can determine which plants will "winter over" in your garden because they can withstand these average minimum temperatures.

Although these zones are useful as an indicator of a plant's likelihood for survival in a given area, many factors, including soil type and fertility, soil moisture and drainage, humidity, and exposure to sun and wind determine a plant's growth and success or failure in its environment. Today, nearly all American reference books, nursery catalogs, and gardening magazines describe plants using USDA hardiness zones.

Average Annual Minimum Temperature	Zone
Below -50°F	1
-50°F to -40°F	2
-40°F to -30°F	3
-30°F to -20°F	4
-20°F to -10°F	5
-10°F to 0°F	6
0°F to 10°F	7
10°F to 20°F	8
20°F to 30°F	9
30°F to 40°F	10
Above 40°F	11



General Fountain Care

Set Up

Sunshine Nursery, Inc. is pleased to offer delivery and set up of fountains purchased at regular retail prices. Please ask an associate for fees and details. However, if you choose to set up your fountain, below are some general guidelines to follow for a proper and hassle free fountain set-up:

- ❖ The fountain should be set up on a flat, level area. We recommend using a coordinating fountain skirt, stepping stones, or other hardscaping material. This will provide you with a stable fountain with proper water flow. Please ask our staff about having our sister company, Sunshine Hardscape, Inc., install a patio to complement your new fountain.
- ❖ Before assembly, check to ensure the pump is working properly by placing it in a bucket of water, first, and then turning it on – DO NOT operate the pump unless it is submerged in water. The pump will burn up and will not operate.
- ❖ Use clear silicone caulk, floral putty, or wobble wedges to aid in leveling, if necessary.
- ❖ The fountain pump should only be plugged into a properly grounded 110 volt GFCI outlet.



Fountain Maintenance

Proper care for your fountain should include the following:

- ❖ Consistent filling with water is required to maintain a proper water level and ensure that the pump remains totally submerged. If the level of water is too low, the pump will be damaged, voiding its warranty. Automatic water fillers are available for an additional charge.
- ❖ Keep the pump inflow free of debris to insure proper water flow. Periodic cleaning will extend the life of the pump.
- ❖ Fountains should be cleaned with mild soap and a soft bristle brush. **DO NOT** use bleach as this may damage the finish of the fountain.
- ❖ Sunshine Nursery, Inc. carries FOUNTEC, an algaecide and clarifier to help combat the buildup of algae and keep the water clear. We also carry PROTEC, a scale and stain remover to prevent white calcium scales and deposits and to prevent pump damage from mineral buildup.
- ❖ Considerable care should be taken when leaving a fountain outdoors during the winter. Freezing water may accumulate in the fountain and cause it to crack and break. Draining the water, covering it with heavy plastic and securing it with rope is the best option to ensure the integrity of a fountain that can't be brought out of the elements.

Vendors

Over the years, Sunshine Nursery, Inc. has developed relationships with some of the best vendors in their field. We can special order most any item from any one of our vendors. Whether you are trying to follow a certain color scheme, coordinate pots and fountains, or find that special plant, we can use our vast array of vendors to fill your request. Below is a sampling of some of the companies we represent.

Monrovia

www.monrovia.com

Back in the 1920s when Monrovia decided to start growing plants in containers, it seemed like a revolutionary idea. But founder Harry Rosedale believed that plants would endure less trauma if they remained in their container until they were ready to be planted in the landscape. Great ideas like this have made Monrovia a world leader in ornamental plants. Today Monrovia produces more than 2,200 varieties of perennials, conifers, woody ornamentals, shrubs, trees, citrus, camellias, rhododendrons, vines, ferns, grasses and topiaries. For 81 years, they have focused on growing Distinctively Better® plants. Better soil mixes, better irrigation systems, better propagating, pruning and planting equipment and better expertise about plant varieties. Human hands touch every one of the 22 million plants Monrovia produces each year. The result... Monrovia plants will not only survive, they will thrive in home gardens.



Since 1926, the name Monrovia® has been synonymous with Distinctively Better Premium Plants. What makes Monrovia plants the best in our industry is our process – part art, part science, all loving-care!

Cherry Lake Tree Farm
www.cherrylake.com

At Cherry Lake Tree Farm, they live by their core values. Values are at the core of everything that they are, what they do, and how they interact with each other. Some of these core values include: honesty and integrity; respect for the environment; teamwork and respect for people; a strong work ethic; and customer focus. Their mission statement is to “beautify our environment for generations to come, by providing customized tree solutions for projects where landscaping is considered a key element, while contributing to the success of our valued employees and partners.”

Al’s Garden Art, Inc.
www.alsgardenart.com

In 1922, Alfeo Bracci immigrated to North America from the village of Monti di Villa, just north of Lucca in the mountains of Tuscany. He and his family had the dream of bringing their century long trade of being a ‘figuristi’, or statue maker, to a new land. In 1949, Alfeo made his boyhood passion a reality. Al’s Garden Art, Inc. was created by Alfeo and Anna Bracci in Southern California. Their passion, skills, and heritage were engraved into their two sons, Ron and Don. That family of four was on its way to becoming one of the world’s leading producers of authentic, handcrafted and hand finished water features and garden art sought after by residential and commercial clients alike. In a world full of technology, the Bracci family has remained true to their roots and passion of creating top quality cast stone by hand, using centuries old techniques.

Campania International, Inc.
www.campaniainternational.com

Named for his birth region and founded in 1983 by the Peter Cilio, Sr. family, Campania International, Inc. quickly found its niche by providing fine quality classic garden containers and statuary to the garden industry. The family then expanded their line to include classic and original designs of cast stone containers, benches, birdbaths, and statuary. In its early years, Campania’s designs were based on traditional European historical precedents. However, Campania International, Inc. is now looking beyond classic old world traditions and is distinguishing itself by developing unique and

copyrighted designs that demonstrate a uniquely American perspective.

Alfresco Home
www.alfrescohome.com

Providing distinctive furnishings and home décor for living, Alfresco Home is about enjoying life outside. That simple pleasure is celebrated with a line of products that include: All Weather Wicker, Marble Mosaic, Wrought Iron, and Entertaining Elements. Whether you want to read quietly in a comfortable chair or entertain your entire neighborhood, Alfresco Home has the right collection for you.

Border Concepts, Inc.
www.borderconcepts.com

Neil Miller and Tony Ferguson founded Border Concepts, Inc. in the fall of 1990 in Charlotte, North Carolina as a steel landscape edging systems manufacturer. In 1996, Border Concepts, Inc. introduced its first decorative wrought iron products, Classic Plant Stands, Deck Drapes® and Shooks™ (Shepherd Hooks), which grew into the high end, decorative Wrought Iron Collections™ line. In the year following, they began to supply garden arches, fern stands, trellises, obelisks, hanging baskets, wall troughs, and much more. Border Concepts, Inc. product line has been expanded and now includes glazed pottery.



