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Store Hours

Monday-Saturday:
8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Blueville Nursery Garden Store was established in the spring of 1970 as an extension of our full landscape services. We have been providing Manhattan and the surrounding areas with quality annuals, nursery stock and gardening supplies ever since. Open year round with an assortment of products to match each season.



With over 50 years of experience, Blueville prides itself on creating personal relationships and greeting every customer with a friendly smile. Our top notch customer service has resulted in life long customers from generation to generation.

"Autumn carries more gold in its pocket than all the other seasons" - Jim Bishop

September 2025 Garden Store Newsletter

Katie's Korner

Katie's work in the industry began in 2002. Her degrees were completed at KSU in Business Marketing and Horticulture – Landscape Design by 2009. Katie came to Blueville in January of 2017 and is now the

Garden Store Manager and Division Head.



Mums, cool season annuals, pumpkins and gourds are in the store. Fall bulbs, garlic and shallots have arrived.

September Schedule

September 1st started with the Labor Day Plant Sale. September 2-6th was the yearly Mum Mania. September 6th at 10 a.m. was the Non-Pesticidal Strategies for Pest Management with KSU Entomologist Dr. Cloyd at Blueville. September 12-13th was a Fall Pansy Palooza. September 13th at 10 a.m. was a discussion on Garlic with Chuck Otte of Geary Gourmet Garlic. Garlic and Shallots are now stocked in the store while supply is available from Geary Gourmet. September 13th at 2 p.m. was a Fall Container Workshop for pre-registered attendees. September 20th at 10 a.m. was Remodeling Landscapes in Established Yards & Landscape Planning with landscape designer, Dan Russell at Blueville. September 20th at 2 p.m. was a workshop led by Hedge Post Farm building Prairie Wreaths for pre-registered attendees. Fall Flower Frenzy was September 22-27th. September 27th at 10 a.m. was a discussion on Ants with KSU Entomologist Dr. Cloyd. September was a busy month!

October Schedule

October 4th 10 a.m. KSU Gus van der Hoeven will discuss Fall Bulbs.

October 10-11th will be Fall Open House at Blueville.

October 11th 10 a.m. KSU Extension Riley County Horticulture Agent Gregg Eyestone will present on Controlling Fall Germinating Weeds.

October $17-18^{\text{th}}$ will be Fall Field Days with the hayrack rides and pumpkin painting.

October 18th 10 a.m. KSU Cynthia Domenghini will present on Therapeutic Horticulture: Growing Yourself in the Garden.

October 25th 10 a.m. with Halloween around the corner, KSU Entomologist Dr. Cloyd will go over Big Bug Science Fiction.

October 25th during store hours kids can stop by in their costumes for Trick or Treating.

Fall Notes

Fall is an excellent time for landscaping and planting trees with cooler air, warmer soils, more established root balls on plants, less transplant shock to name a few reasons. You can plant a tree, as long as you can dig a hole in the ground.

Fall is the best time to be thinking about grass seed work for cool season lawns and fertilizer applications.

In the fall you can fertilize a well-established lawn up to three times spread out a month apart from each application. Weed control is targeted during cooler weather on well-established lawns.

Seeding Time!



September to mid-October is the best time of year for fall lawn seeding activities with cool season grasses like fescue. Hopefully you are ready to jump in and get these tasks done in your yard. Start in September if possible to give the stand of grass time to come up and become established. Our most popular choices for grass seed are **Gard' N Wise Premium Tall Fescue** for full sun

and filtered light areas or the **Gard' N Wise Deluxe Shade Mix** for heavy shade spots. Use **Fertilome New Lawn Starter** with grass seed projects.

If you are interested in sod, call in and pre-pay to get on the order list. Keep sod wet until it roots in after installation. Install it immediately because it is very perishable. Work up the soil. Remove debris. Add starter fertilizer. Lay the sod. Tamp lightly on the edges. Do not let sod dry out.

Non-Seeding Activities



If you are not doing any seeding, the lawn fertilizer to use right now is **Fertilome Lawn Food Plus Iron** with the **Five Step Lawn Program**. If the weeds are showing up in your lawn, we start to use the **Fertilome Weed Free Zone** contact broadleaf weed killer more because it performs better in cooler temperatures. **Spread fertilizer applications out a month apart. Mid-October Fertilome Weed-Out granular with or without fertilizer** is used, as a contact killer for broadleaf weeds.

Is it ok to plant?

Fall is a great time of year to complete landscaping work in your yard because you have cooler temps and warmer soils. It is less stressful on plant material. We always talk about using **Fertilome Root Stimulator** with new

plantings. Root stimulator reduces transplant shock, stimulates more root growth and has a mild fertilizer. Water new plant material with it, or items you transplant in your yard, if you are moving things around with projects. In the fall you can usually find plants with better root balls, and more lush topgrowth, as they've had the season to grow and develop. Trees have the longest window for planting. As long as you can dig a hole in the ground, you can add that tree to your yard. Therefore, get your landscape projects installed, plant trees, clean-up flower beds, vegetable gardens, change out seasonal containers to fall plants. The to-do list is long in the fall with landscape work and maintenance activities. Keep going while the weather is cooperating for your projects!

Fall Bulbs



Fall Bulbs have arrived at the store. Plant these bulbs in the fall for them to come up and give you the early spring color in the landscapes. Work Hi-Yield Bone Meal into the holes when planting. Use Hi-Yield Dutch Bulb Food on them when they start coming up in the spring. Fall bulbs include tulips, daffodils, crocus, allium, fritillaria, muscari, hyacinths, snowdrops to name a few of the primary ones you need to buy right now if you hope to have them in your landscapes in the upcoming months.

Naked Lady bulbs are available in the mix. Get these in the fall. Plant them in the fall. The foliage comes up in the spring, dies back, then the flower shows up when fall rolls around again. This is the only time of year to get them too.

Garlic has arrived. KSU recommends planting garlic in the fall.

Shallots are now available for a fall planting while supply is available.

Learn more about garlic with this extension article: https://www.sedgwick.k-state.edu/gardening-lawn-care/documents/Growing Garlic.pdf

Onion sets are due to arrive soon. Plant onion sets late fall for green onions. It also gives you an earlier onion crop going into spring to keep it coming a little more frequently through the year. You will still plant more in the spring for additional crops.

https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/mf761.pdf

Fall Vegetable Gardening is great for less bugs, less weeds, warm soils and better weather. Think about stocking stuffers in the upcoming months with those seed lovers. Check out this article on Fall Vegetable Gardening: https://www.sedgwick.k-state.edu/gardening-lawn-care/documents/Fall Vegetable Gardening1.pdf

Cover Crops are available to reduce erosion and provide a green manure to till into the soil for additional nutrients come spring.

Consider seed for indoor growing with herbs, microgreens, science experiments and preparing for the spring plants.

Paperwhites have arrived and are used with indoor projects taking off in the upcoming months.

Fall Houseplant Tasks



When the weather starts cooling off, it's time to clean-up houseplants, repot them, treat them for bugs and get ready to pull them back inside if they've been outside for the summer. Pick a mild day to do the work because it is easier to do all of this outside. We've got lots of potting soil choices. To treat for bugs, use Bonide Insecticidal Soap, Safer Insecticidal Soap, Fertilome Indoor/Outdoor Multi-Purpose Insect Spray to spray the foliage down to eliminate any bug activity. Also treat the soil with Bonide Systemic Insect Granules to kill eggs in the soil. After these maintenance tasks are complete make sure to

pull the houseplants back inside before it starts freezing in the fall. Houseplants won't survive freezing temperatures outside.

In addition, spring bulbs like Elephant Ear, Cannas, Gladiolus have to also be lifted out of the ground late fall when it starts freezing if you are trying to keep them year-to-year. They won't survive the Kansas winters outside. Check online for instructions and videos for overwintering tips. There is a process to save the bulbs and store them for the winter months.

Tyler's Tips



Tyler is a 2017 graduate of Kansas State University with a degree in Agricultural Education. He has been working in the plant industry since 2012 and at Blueville since 2014. His main interests are houseplants and annuals. He currently serves as the assistant manager at the garden store.

Fall into the season at Blueville!

As the leaves change colors, the temperatures drop and the air becomes heavy with the smell of pumpkin spice everything, it becomes apparent that fall has

arrived. At Blueville, we have everything you need to fully embrace this long awaited time of year.

Cool Season Annuals & Mums

Consider sprucing up your containers and flower beds with cool season annuals such as pansies, snapdragons and ornamental cabbages. Mums are also a great option for some fall color. Cool season annuals are better suited for the cool fall temperatures and provide the opportunity to freshen up those tired summer containers.





Pumpkins & Gourds

Pumpkins and gourds are another great way to add some fall flair to your porch. In a variety of colors, sizes and styles, the options are endless! Don't forget to grab a jack-o-lantern to carve later on!









Fall Field Days



Fall Field Days falls on October 17th & 18th this year. Join us for a weekend of hayrack rides and tours around the property.
Friday is kids day with each kid receiving a free pie pumpkin to paint in the greenhouse. We will also have hot cider and refreshments all weekend long!
Festivities run 9-3 both days.

Plants with Interest













What To Do

- Seed lawns- September is the best time to seed! Be sure to use fertilome New Lawn Starter fertilizer
- Plant trees, shrubs and perennials
- Select spring flowering bulbs
- Attend Fall Open House & Fall Field Days
- Put guards around tree trunks to protect from deer and rabbits
- Pick out pumpkins, mums, fall annuals and other fall decor
- Treat houseplants for insects before bringing back inside

What's New

- Fall Bulbs
- Houseplants
- Fall Decor



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