



# Grasmere Garden Village



## GRASMERE GARDENS GAZETTE

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### POTS & PLANTERS

GROW YOUR OWN VEGETABLES



### GARDENING ADVICE

### SEEDS

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## GARDENING FOR APRIL

Hello April, with the sound of new born lamb' s echoing through the valley and spring buds galore... it' s just lovely to be in spring!

Give your lawn its first cut of the year when conditions are dry enough. Set the blades fairly high and aim for just a light topping for now rather than anything too severe.

Now is the time to be sowing any grass seeds, from the start of this month onwards!

Cut down plants of dogwood (Cornus) to within a few inches of the ground. The bright new stems produced this summer will provide valuable colour for the winter months.

If the weather is mild sow seeds of hardy annuals directly into the soil where they are to flower.

Mulch beds and borders with a thick layer of garden compost, rotted manure or bark to reduce summer weeding and water loss.

Start to stake early-flowering herbaceous perennials such as peonies that usually flop over.

Cut the flower heads of daffodils and tulips but not the foliage.

Prune forsythias after flowering, cutting one thirds of stems down to ground level.



LOCATED IN GRASMERE &  
WE HAVE PLENTY OF  
FREE PARKING

**STAR PLANTS FOR APRIL** These plants can be spotted all over the UK; in gardens, parks and by the roadside...keep your eyes peeled!

## CLEMATIS MONTANA

Clematis Montana's are very vigorous climbers. They flower early in the gardening season. Hundreds of pink and white smaller flowers flood the stems. Prune them hard after flowering so they will put on lots of new growth ready for next year.



## RHODODENDRONS & AZALEAS

Rhodos and Azaleas are mainly grown for their spectacular, sometimes strongly scented flowers. Most flower in April/May. They are hardy plants and need acid PH (ericaceous) soil/compost. Some are dwarf sized but some do grow to be trees... be sure to check the label when you purchase!



## NEW IN!

### SPECIMEN PLANTS

Specimen plants are plants that have been manipulated into architectural, manmade shapes. We currently have a good range of these, if you ask in a member of our Greenhouse team they will be more than happy to point them out and chat through any questions you might have. Callistemon Laevis, Photinia Red, Trachelospermum Jasminoides and many more on the way!



## PLANT OF THE MONTH

### CAMELLIA

We still have plenty of Camellias in stock which are heavy with fat flower buds! Pinks, Reds and Whites. Camellias need Ericaceous (Acidic) soil/compost/feed to keep the health of the plant tip top. The leaves are beautifully deep green & glossy when the conditions are just right.



## DEALS OF THE MONTH

3 for £10 Alpines – 1L Pots

5 for £10 Alpines – 9cm

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