



Spruce Cottage Farm's

Periodic Newsletter

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Greetings Gardeners,

It's been awhile since you've heard from me and I'm working on a newsletter template to make it easier for me to write and for you to read. Here's hoping it'll help me be able to communicate a little bit more this season! As you all know, the federal government introduced anti-spam legislation last year. So here is a reminder that everyone on this email list signed up for it (thank you) and if you no longer wish to receive these emails, simply reply with unsubscribe in the subject line and I will remove you from this list.

I am looking forward to another wonderful season this year. Two bits of exciting news: I will be offering retail hours at the greenhouse (watch for posters announcing the opening day) and I'm purchasing a new (to me) greenhouse! This greenhouse will be used to transition seedlings from the seeding room to the growing greenhouse and then to grow the warmth-loving plants such as tomatoes, squash and peppers. Many thanks to all of you for your support these last couple of years - I wouldn't be here without you!

The seeding room is full of seeded flats. All the seeds are absorbing water, until they burst open and growth hormones leap into action, sending root tendrils down and the cotyledons up, to emerge through the top of the soil and start growing. Seeds are a marvel. The entire genetic structure of a plant is encased in something the size of a speck of dust (in the case of petunias) all the way to something the size of a softball (think coconut). It is a little bit mind-boggling to realise that the single tomato seed you've just planted will yield many fruits for you to eat. And that mind-boggle goes one step further when you realise you can save the seed of one of your tomatoes and grow it again next year - talk about self-sufficiency!

You'll find attached my plant list and order form for 2015, if you wish to order your plants this season. I will have the full selection available at the greenhouse upon opening as well, although an order does guarantee you'll get exactly what you want. You'll find a few extra flowers and herbs this year, as well as the full complement of vegetable starts.

Happy Spring everyone!

In growing harmony,

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~ Gardening Maven ~



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