

INFORMATION

Jobs for April . . .

Spring is finally here - and the sight of Forsythia, Camellias, Magnolias and other Spring flowers are at their beautiful peak. Now is a good time to do certain jobs that will help cut down on maintenance for the rest of the year. The garden centre is now bulging at the sides with everything for the garden.

GREENHOUSE

- * A busy time for sowing all sorts in a heated greenhouse, including Tomatoes, Peppers, Marrows and other vegetable seeds.
- * Pot up cuttings of Fuchsias and Geraniums.
- * Buy some baby plants from our fantastic selection, to grow on for your baskets and tubs this Summer.

BULBS

- * Plant out Gladioli, Dahlias and Lilies.
- * Mix in good planting compost when planting.



Forsythia

LAWNS

- * Apply Spring lawn fertiliser.
- * Treat with moss killer.
- * Rake out debris (thatch) if you didn't get chance last September.
- * Apply grass seed to bare patches.

FRUIT

- * It's a great time to plant trees and bushes as the centre is fully stocked.
- * Plant out Strawberries and Rhubarb now.
- * Start to spray Apples and Pears to deter pests and diseases.
- * Mulch with manure.

VEGETABLES

- * Sow many vegetable varieties.
- * Plant out Onion sets and Potatoes.
- * Many herbs and vegetable plants are available now.

SEEDS

- * Many varieties of hardy annuals can now be sown outside. See our range of seeds from Johnsons and Country Value.



Rhododendron

FLOWERS

- * Plant trees and shrubs.
- * Hardy perennials and herbaceous plants can now be planted.
- * Feed all flower borders, after the washout Winter, with a slow release fertiliser like chicken manure, rose feed or blood, fish and bone.
- * Prune back late flowering shrubs like Buddleia, Lavatera, Clematis, Lavender and Rosemary.
- * Start spraying roses to keep on top of pests and diseases.
- * Plant alpines out now - choose from our wide selection.

PLANTS LOOKING GOOD THIS MONTH

Primula and Pansies
Dicentra
Aubretia
Camellia
Rhododendron
Forsythia
Prunus Flowering Cherry
Magnolia