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August Newsletter



Fire-safe flowers; Charlie, looking to the future | Photo credits J.A.

Hello and welcome to the CWN late Summer newsletter!

It has been a busy summer here at the nursery, and we are happy to sit down with you once again to share some nursery news, as well as tips and tricks for keeping your garden and

landscape fire safe as we head towards autumn.

This month you'll read how to prepare a beautiful, fire-resistant landscape using readily available plants. You'll hear from Charlie, our amazing employee who is headed off to college this fall, in a fun new interview. And finally, we're sharing some exciting events to keep your calendar packed until fall.

Thank you for your business - we are grateful to all our customers and readers who help us keep the Bay Area beautiful and safe today and for generations to come.

Wishing you a peaceful, safe, and beautiful August,
Jane



Featured Plants



From agaves to mimulus to succulents, the nursery is brimming with beautiful, easy-care, fire-safe options. See a few of our favorites below; then read on for more tips about how to keep your garden, home and landscapes fire-ready.



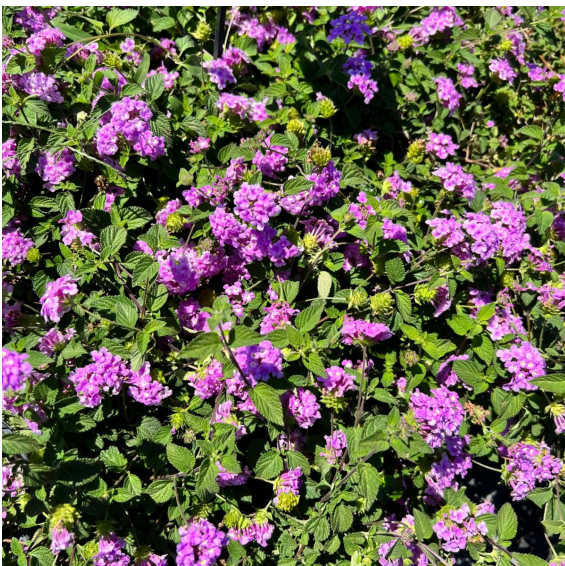
Agave shawii x attenuata 'Blue Flame'

Large aloes and agaves are ideal for firescaping. Not only are they drought-tolerant and easy-care, but their plump, water-filled leaves cook instead of burning, protecting your home. Look for larger varieties as well as other large succulents such as Blue Chalksticks or Euphorbia.



Mimulus bifidus 'Alba'

California natives, these stunning white flowers attract hummingbirds and butterflies, are drought-tolerant and low-water, and are highly recommended for a firesafe landscape. Mimulus come in many different colors, and we stock many varieties at the nursery.



Lantana montevidensis 'Purple trailing'

Lantana are another beautiful firesafe choice. These low growing trailing ground covers are tough to ignite. Also consider ornamental strawberry, coreopsis or echinacea for firesafe groundcovers. If you love lantana, we offer many different colors in the nursery.

Acer palmatum



Japanese Maple

If you are looking to replace eucalyptus or other highly flammable trees in your yard or landscape, consider *Acer palmatus*. 12 to 20 foot specimens are ideal. Also consider *Prunus* (plum/cherry), California live oaks, or *Lagerstroemia* (Crepe myrtle).



Nerium 'Sister Agnes' White Oleander

Good news for Oleander lovers: These beautiful flowering shrubs are fire resistant! In white or pink or red, these drought-tolerant shrubs are proof that you can have a beautiful AND safe landscape. For shrubs, also consider rosemary, *Cistus* (rockrose) or California lilac.

CWN: Behind the Scenes!



Charlie, surrounded by plants in the CWN office, looks toward a bright future | Photo credit J.A.

'We'll Miss You, Charlie!

This month, we had a chance to talk with one of our favorite folks, Charlie! Charlie has been with CWN for two years now — completely, she tells us, by accident! — and will be heading off to college this year. In her very fun interview, she shares her favorite (and least-favorite) plants, what she loves about working at the nursery, and what she'll miss most. Don't miss out on her famously dry wit - read the interview at the link below!

Garden & Landscaping

Below are some useful resources we have compiled for creating a firesafe yard. Please use this list as a starting point for your planning, and contact our nursery for help obtaining the plants you need to create your beautiful firesafe yard or landscape.



TOP FIVE FIREWISE SUCCULENTS

All of these are quite common and start easily from cuttings. They have thick, juicy leaves and grow readily in southern and coastal CA from the Bay Area south. If you live in a fire-prone, backcountry area, use them to create a firebreak that's ideally 15 feet or more wide. [Read More](#)

from DebraLeeBaldwin.com



HOW FIRE-RESISTANT IS YOUR LANDSCAPE?

With accelerating [climate change](#) and recurring drought, it's inevitable that another firestorm will eventually strike the Bay Area. As a result, every Bay Area Landscape Professional must now consider how they can help their customers create and sustain a fire-resistant landscape.

[Read More](#) from PacificNurseries.com



FIRE-WISE LANDSCAPES KEEP YOUR HOME AND PROPERTY BEAUTIFUL AND SAFE

Firescaping incorporates the



FIRE SAFE MARIN

Adapting to Wildfire

CREATE A FIRE-SMART YARD

Use fire-resistant and drought-tolerant plants, materials, and designs to prevent the spread of fire to your home. Defensible

design of the landscape and property surrounding a home to lessen its susceptibility to fire. This can be achieved through a well-thought-out landscape design plan that specifies less combustible plants, incorporates fire-resistant materials and follows the advice and guidelines determined by fire-safe organizations. [Read More](#)
from DigYourGarden.com

space is the buffer you create between a building on your property and the grass, trees, shrubs, or any wildland area that surrounds it. It is essential to improve your home's chance of surviving a wildfire. Defensible space requires establishing a healthy, well-maintained landscape with native plants and trees within your property and community zones. [Read More](#)
from firesafesdcounty.org

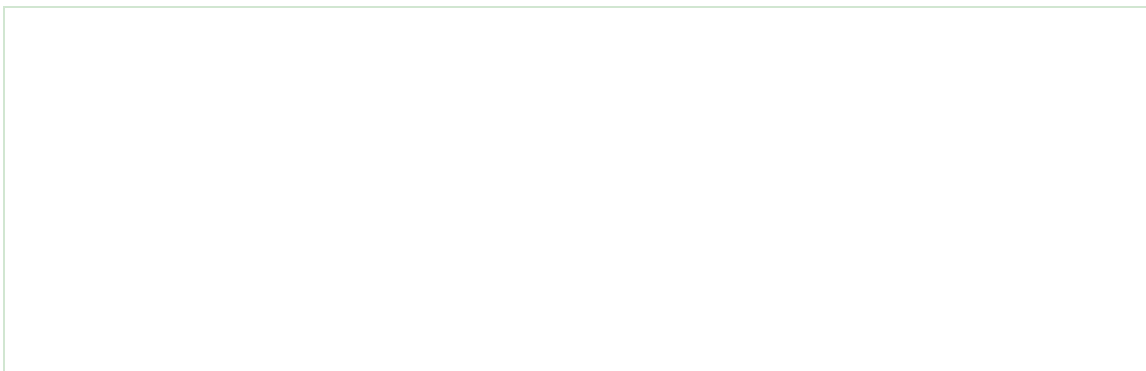


Fire-Smart Landscaping 101

This is "Fire-Smart Landscaping 101" by Chikara Motomura from Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority.

[Read more](#)
vimeo.com

Events & Workshops





Collective Roots Community Garden Workday (4th Fridays...

Fresh Approach is a nonprofit organization that aims to create long-term change in local food systems, by connecting California communities with healthy food from California farmers and expanding knowledge about food and nutrition. As part of the ...

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WORKSHOP

Sat,
Sept 10, 2022

10:00 AM - 12:00
PM PDT



Aquaponics Workshop by Smart Yards Education - Almaden...

Reduce Water by 90% - Learn How To Install & Maintain Your Own Aquaponics for Residential Food Farm in San Jose's Almaden Valley. Aquaponics Workshop - Saturday, Sept 10, 2022 * 9:00 am-12:00 pm Join us for this in-person event showcasing a...

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California Native Landscape Design - In Person Workshop

Eventbrite - Waterwise Community Center presents California Native Landscape Design - In Person Workshop - Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Waterwise Community Center, Montclair, CA. Find event and ticket information.

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Installation and Establishment of California Native and...

Eventbrite - Waterwise Community Center presents Installation and Establishment of California Native and Waterwise Gardens - Saturday, October 8, 2022 at Waterwise Community Center, Montclair, CA. Find event and ticket information.

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We Deliver It**

With our extensive inventory and trusted nursery partners, CWN is your one source for plants and

planting supplies. The nursery is brimming with a wide variety of colors, textures, and sizes. We have in stock a complete mix to accommodate larger quantities of our best sellers, making it even easier to complete your orders more quickly.

Here is a brief summary of what we can do for you:

- Assemble orders for “will call” or delivery, usually the same day
- Always use the best and most consistent materials available
- Contact you immediately if there is a quality or available issue
- Order out-of-stock or specialty materials using all available resources
- Guarantee that CWN materials will meet or exceed your expectations

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