

*Preparing for Christmas and the holidays
...should be exciting and fun!*

Come out to Parkland Garden Centre and do your holiday shopping in one stop. Be sure to visit our wonderful Ice Sculptures and then come in to enjoy a cup of hot cider while you shop with your family. (Date of set up is weather dependent).

We have gifts to suit all ages, including unique collectable ornaments and beautiful giftware. If you are having a difficult time deciding, why not give a gift certificate and let that special someone choose for them self. Our magnificent poinsettias and houseplants are always a welcome gift.

How To Shop For That Perfect Fresh Cut Christmas Tree...

1. Look at the different types. Choose a type that would best suit you and your family, how the decoration would work, i.e. are the boughs firm enough to support the weight of the ornament
2. Check the needles. Shake the tree. Some needles will fall out but usually there will only be a few. Too many means the tree is too dry.
3. The proper stand. There are different sizes to fit different heights. You should have the right size of stand to support the height/size of the tree. Also, make sure that the reservoir is large enough to hold adequate water supply for at least 2-3 days.
4. Buy your Christmas tree usually no more than 3 weeks before Christmas. This ensures a fresh tree.

The environmental alternative is a Living Christmas tree. A living Christmas tree is a live growing plant in a pot and must be kept inside all winter. It requires moderate to bright light, but should be kept in a cool place if possible. Because of climatic restrictions in Alberta, we cannot easily return a potted evergreen to outdoors that has been kept inside for several weeks. Ask our knowledgeable staff about the special care of indoor evergreens.

Did You Know...

Parkland Garden Centre carries winter care supplies. We have the “Ice Hound” that uses spring action to break ice on sidewalks and driveways. As well, we stock environmentally friendly traction and ice melting products such as Zeolite and Alaskan Ice Melter.

Top 5 Christmas Trees...

1. Fraser Fir – beautiful blue colored , sheared for a pyramidal shape; great fragrance
2. Douglas Fir – natural looking, traditional tree
3. Balsam Fir – sheared pyramidal shape; dark green foliage, very fragrant
4. Colorado Blue Spruce – dark green/blue needled; fragrant
5. Scotch Pine - rich, long needled; excellent fragrance



Care for Fresh Cut Trees...

- The first watering should be warm tap water as this enables the sap to flow while the tree thaws out
- In the first week, a tree will consume as much as a gallon (4 liters) of water per day.
- It is critical that you keep water in the reservoir at all times.

Christmas Tree Trivia...

- The tallest living Christmas tree was believed to be a 122 foot, 91 year old, Douglas fir.
- 77 million Christmas trees are planted every year.
- The first decorated Christmas tree was in Riga, Latvia in 1510.
- Christmas Trees remove dust and pollen from the air.
- The province of Nova Scotia leads the world in exporting lobster, wild blueberries and Christmas trees.
- Christmas trees are biodegradable; the trunk and branches can be used as mulch.

Feature Tree: Father Time...

Take a step back in time with antique Santa’s and nursery rhymes. This tree will hopefully remind us to take time in our daily lives to enjoy and appreciate the simple things. Come in and see if you can find the hidden treasures on this tree. As well, you must come to see our wide selection of Christmas giftware and ornaments and to ask our staff questions regarding decorating tips.



Garden Shop & Giftware...Great Ideas for Gift Giving Any Time

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- New and fun creative ways to decorate your home
- Just like the designers do
- Can customize with your favorite quote
- Easy to apply
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- Rich in oxidants
- “Heart Smart” for your health
- Available in 3 flavors: Koroneiki – superb with fish, ripe tomatoes or fresh corn
The 3 Tuscans – excellent, all purpose oil
J5 – compliments steak and meat dishes

Gourmet du Village

- Amazing, flavorful line of foods and beverages for every day as well as entertaining
- All food items are prepared, blended and packaged in North America
- Gourmet gifts, dry seasoning blends for hot and cold dips
- Beverage mixes – hot chocolates, flavored teas, ciders
- Dip warmers and coolers
- Savory cheese ball and fruit mixes
- Chocolate covered coffee beans and cranberries



Fresh Fragrant Decor...

For the finest in classic Christmas décor, use fresh, fragrant, evergreen accents. We import a fabulous selection of both traditional and unusual evergreen boughs, swags, wreaths, garlands and more. All are sold wrapped for the cold and with floral preservatives for maximum freshness and longevity. We also carry stems of berries, holly and a wide selection of all sizes and types of pinecones. To help you with the “how to” we also carry a wide selection of floral arranging supplies and candles and we are also offering a number of “hands on” workshops to help you do it yourself. Or, you can simply place your order and we will make it for you! Come in and experience the wonders of Christmas!

To Do List for December/January...

✓	Be sure to check regularly any tubers and corms that you have stored to ensure they don't dry out completely.	<input type="checkbox"/>	This is the ideal time to study the bare bones of your garden. Is it balanced? Does it have winter appeal? Are there shrubs with berries to attract birds?
✓	Catch up on reading garden magazines and books for fantastic new ideas that you can incorporate into your yard. Parkland Garden Centre has a wide selection of books from which to choose.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plan next year's garden projects. This is the perfect time to call to talk to our Landscape Designer for assistance.
✓	Check regularly that your bird feeders are clean and filled. Parkland has a wide variety of food and suet to attract all birds.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark your calendar – December 6 is the day for Holiday in the House Courses! Call soon to register at 403.346.5613.
✓	Do your Christmas shopping in one easy stop! Parkland Garden Centre has great gifts for everyone in the family. We carry a wide selection of gardening supplies, indoor and outdoor furniture, statuary and fountains, giftware for women, home décor, candles, candleholders, Heritage lace, children's items, as well as Dept. 56 and specialty items. We also recommend gift certificates of any denomination for your gift giving convenience.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Come to Parkland Garden Centre to see our world famous Ice Sculptures being created. Each year brings a new theme which will be unveiled in mid-December depending on the weather. You won't want to miss them.
✓	Visit Parkland Garden Centre to view the many Christmas-themed trees and other decorations for the season.		As winter doldrums set in, visit the tropical paradise of Parkland Garden Centre. It's the ideal location for your garden luncheon!
✓	Take home our special cooking oils displayed as well as numerous dips, packaged ciders and hot chocolate mixes and some Saskatoon champagne for the holiday and winter season.		

Winter 2008 Event Listing and Dates...

Date	Event	Time	Fee	Instructor
Nov. 8	Craft & Market Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Food Bank	Donation
Nov. 15	Craft & Market Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Food Bank	Donation
Nov. 22	Craft & Market Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Food Bank	Donation
Nov. 29	Craft & Market Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Food Bank	Donation
Dec. 6	Creative Christmas Workshops	9:45am – 5:30pm	See below	
Dec. 13	Craft & Market Sale	10:00am-4:00pm	Food Bank	Donation
Dec. 15	Ice Sculptures	Weather Dependent		

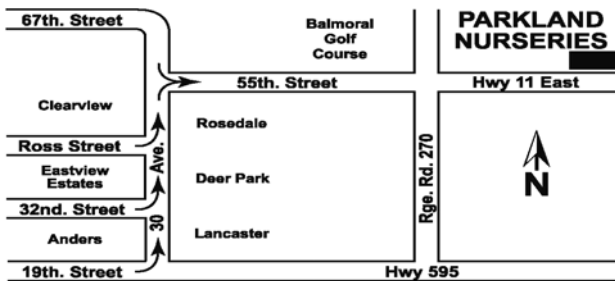
WORKSHOP REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Payment must be made in full at time of registration. Visa, MasterCard, Interac, or cash accepted.

REFUND ISSUED ONLY IF CLASS IS CANCELLED.

Prices do not include GST. Class sizes are limited, pre-registration required, adults only unless otherwise noted.

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Christmas Tree Ornament 20% Off

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Expires: Dec. 8, 2008

*From the Staff at Parkland Garden Centre
"Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year"*