Fall Planting

It was the perfect morning to go to my favorite nursery to select flowers for the planters and vegetables for the garden. We love to go to Whitfill Nursery, not only because it is close to our home, but it is family-owned and has operated in Phoenix for over six decades. It's a delightful place to be this time of year. Once you enter their property you feel transformed to another place that inspires you with all things Fall!







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l just received a shipment of new items this morning so it was busy with like-minded souls wanting to finally plant after our long, hot summer.



They

had a gorgeous selection of geraniums in reds and corals and numerous selections of annuals and perennials in a variety of colors.



Our front planter, which has an eastern exposure, is in desperate need of color. In front of the raised planter, we have a row of Purple Heart plants (Setcreasea) which helped determine our color scheme of pink, lavender, crimson and white. We selected plants of varying heights to create interest and depth.



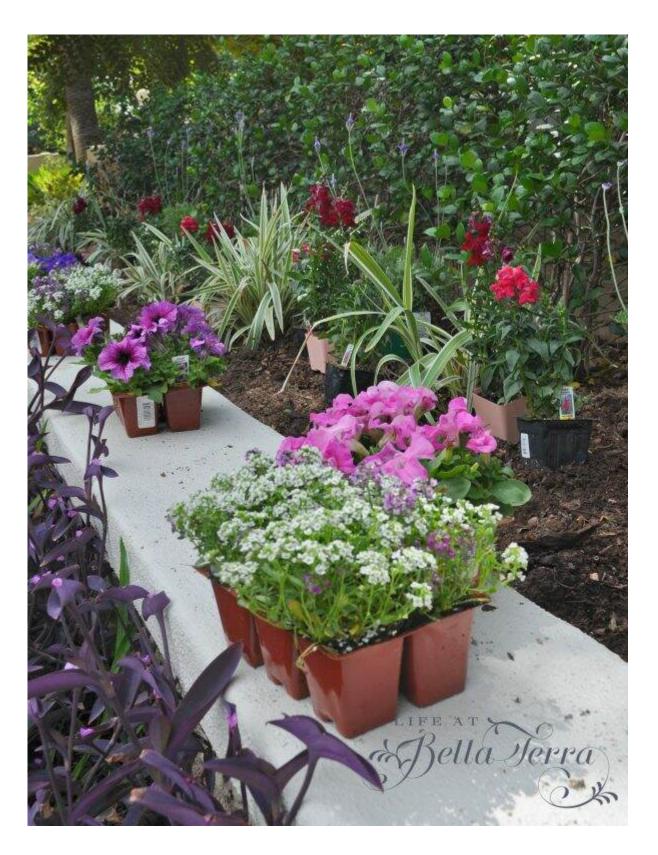
For the back row, we picked Lavender Laceleaf (full sun to light shade) which will grow up to 3 feet.



Two different color snapdragons, Sonnet Carmine and Liberty Classic Crimson will go in front of the lavender. Both have a growing height of 18" to 24".



The front two rows will be an assortment of petunias in a deep purple, white, bright pink and dark fuscia. Allysum in white and lavender will edge the borders.



If you would like to know what flowers to plant now or over the course of a year, I always reference the Bedding Planting Guide for the Valley of the Sun. I don't recall where I got this, but I use it every year and have made numerous copies for friends. Here it is: beddingplantingguide.

Happy Planting! Tomorrow I hope to start my vegetable garden!!

Mary