

# 2024/25 Marketing Report Montana

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### 2025 Mational Plants of the Year

These exceptional varieties were selected for the 2025 season, and Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> will be dedicating marketing resources towards building excitement and significant consumer demand of these varieties throughout 2025. Our research has shown that plants selected to be a National Plant of the Year continue to see increased sales in the years following.



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Supertunia Mini Vista® Yellow Petunia



Jack of Diamonds Heartleaf Brunnera



Heart to Heart® Blushing Bride Caladium



Prismacolor™ Orange you Gorgeous™ Philodendron



Little Lime Punch® Panicle Hydrangea



Reminiscent<sup>®</sup> Coral Rosa

### 2025 NATIONAL RECIPES OF THE YEAR



Champagne Toast



Ireland



RECIPIER RECEIPTION OF THE REC

Vista View

Strawberry Stand

### 2024 Top Trial Plants

Hot topic plants at 2024 trials:





Supertunia Mini Vista® Plum Veined Petunia

Supertunia Tiara® Blue Petunia



Stardiva® Blue Scaevola

### Our Top Highlights of 2025

Curious to know what our top highlights will be in 2025? The lists below are all products that will be marketed to consumers through magazines, social media, and our ever-popular Gardener's Idea Book. Use these lists to help create an assortment consumers will be asking for!

#### TOP PLANTS OF THE 2025 GARDENER'S IDEA BOOK

- Angelface® Wedgewood Pink Angelonia
- Angelface<sup>®</sup> White Angelonia
- Arch<sup>®</sup> Philadelphus
- El Niño<sup>®</sup> Chitalpa
- Illuminati Sparks™ Philadelphus
- Pillow Talk<sup>®</sup> Gardenia
- Reminiscent<sup>®</sup> Coral Rosa
- Scentara<sup>®</sup> Double Blue Syringa
- Señorita Rosalita<sup>®</sup> Cleome
- Simply Scentsational<sup>®</sup> Calycanthus
- Space Age™ Black Hole™ Begonia rex
- Spice Baby<sup>™</sup> Viburnum
- Spice Girl<sup>®</sup> Viburnum
- Steady As She Goes® Gardenia
- Sugartina® Clethra
- Sweet Emotion<sup>®</sup> Abelia
- Sweet Romance<sup>®</sup> Lavandula
- Totally Tempted™ Frosted Violets™ Cuphea
- Totally Tempted<sup>™</sup> Richly Red<sup>™</sup> Cuphea
- Totally Tempted™ Vivid Violet™ Cuphea
- Tower<sup>®</sup> Philadelphus
- Vanilla Spice<sup>®</sup> Clethra
- 'Scentsation' Lonicera
- 'Sweet Summer Love' Clematis

#### 2025 TOP PICKS

- Aromagica™ Purple Heliotopium
- Colorblaze<sup>®</sup> Mini Me<sup>™</sup> Chartreuse Coleus
- Emerald Isle™ Aloscasia
- Mojave® Mango Portulaca
- Space Age<sup>™</sup> Europa<sup>™</sup> Begonia rex
- Stardiva™ Blue Scaevola
- Superbells<sup>®</sup> Double Smitten Pink<sup>™</sup> Coral Calibrachoa
- Superbells<sup>®</sup> Double Vintage<sup>™</sup> Coral Calibrachoa
- Supertunia Tiara™ Blue Petunia
- Virtuoso™ Pinkerific™ Dahlia

#### PROVEN WINNERS® COLOR CHOICE® TOP PICKS

- Flavorette<sup>™</sup> Rosa entire series
- Let's Dance<sup>®</sup> Hydrangea macrophylla entire series
- Little Lime Punch® Hydrangea paniculata
- Perfecto Mundo<sup>®</sup> Rhododendron entire series
- Reminiscent<sup>®</sup> Coral Rosa
- Scentara® Double Blue Syringa



LEARN MORE ABOUT THE 2025 TOP PICKS



# 10 Best-Selling Shrubs





Low Scape Mound® Aronia



Pugster Blue® Buddleia



Sprinter® Buxus



Incrediball® Hydrangea arborescens



Limelight Prime® Hydrangea paniculata



Little Lime Punch® Hydrangea paniculata



Flavorette™ Honey Apricot Rosa



Double Play Doozie® Spiraea



Tater Tot® Thuja



North Pole® Thuja

### Top Annuals Sold in Montana

\*Based on Online Sales



Supertunia® Royal Velvet® Petunia



Supertunia Vista® Bubblegum® Petunia



Supertunia® Bordeaux™ Petunia



Supertunia® Royal Magenta® Petunia



Supertunia Vista® Fuchsia Petunia



Snowstorm® Giant Snowflake® Sutera



Supertunia Vista® Silverberry Petunia



Supertunia Vista® Jazzberry® Petunia



Supertunia® Really Red Petunia



Supertunia® Black Cherry® Petunia

## Top Perennials Sold in Montana



**'Cat's Pajamas'** Nepeta



**'Tuscan Sun'** Heliopsis



**'Storm Cloud'** Amsonia



**'Jack of Diamonds'** Brunnera



**'Denim 'n Lace'** Perovskia



Rainbow Rhythm<sup>®</sup> Blood Sweat & Tears Hemerocallis



'Firefly Peach Sky' Achillea

**'Pink Profusion'** Salvia



Shadowland® 'Wu-La-La' Hosta



**'Cat's Meow'** Nepeta

Social Media

As of August 2024, our combined social media channels have achieved:



16.1%

**Total Impressions** 

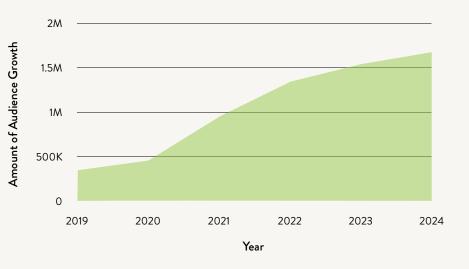
Total Audience Growth

**4 4%** Average Engagement Rate (All Platforms)



**37M+** Video Views

#### Total Audience Growth Since 2019:



### Content Creators

Content creators are influencing millions of gardeners every day on TikTok, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube. We're proud to work with amazing social media stars who bring Proven Winners® plants and products in front of their audience and show them tips and tricks for planting, watering, fertilizing, pruning and more.

With more than 22 content creators across the US and Canada, our social media partners appeal to followers from the budding plant-lover all the way to the most experienced gardener. There's something for everyone from the rainy Northwest Pacific to the heat of Texas to the clay soils of the Mid-Atlantic.



Kamoya Analesia @gardenaddictz



Laura LeBoutillier @GardenAnswer



Janey Santos @DigPlantWaterRepeat



Over 39,364 web visitors were from Montana. On average, visitors spent approximately 4 minutes on our site -3x longer than the national average!

Podcasts 109,853 Unique Listeners

Available to stream online, Gardening Simplified saw a 177% increase in listeners in 2024 plus has over 2.4M views on YouTube.



SCAN TO LISTEN!



Impressions

Our national campaign covers 65 markets across 28 states with static, digital, and weather-triggered boards.



### Broadcast & Streaming Media 19.2M

Impressions

Through geo-targeting, Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> is reaching consumers at home and on their devices with digital, video and audio advertisements. We reach consumers through Spotify, iHeart, Hulu and more.

Our digital ads see click rates that are double the national average and video completion rates are over 98% - meaning consumers are actively engaged and interested in our content.











12,875 Montana Subscribers



#### FIND ADS FEATURED IN THESE PUBLICATIONS WITH OVER 7.9M SUBSCRIBERS

- Better Homes & Gardens
- Birds & Blooms
- Country Living
- Fine Gardening
- Garden Gate
- HGTV magazine
- Southern Living
- Veranda

### The Gardener's Idea Book

Part of Connect+? Order by January 10, 2025 to have the Gardener's Idea Book personalized with your garden center's logo!



478,954 copies distributed nationally

1,134 distributed in Montana



Connect+ Marketing

Connect+ helps simplify marketing for over 1,600 independent garden centers.

By providing 350+ social posts, Connect+ has helped garden centers increase impressions and engagements while reducing the time needed to create social media campaigns-allowing you to spend more time in the garden center with your customers.

In just one quarter alone, social media posts created by our team have led to an 87% increase in impressions and a 27% increase in engagements. Scan the QR code to learn more and start growing your social media presence today!





LEARN MORE

#### **Sample Account** March 7, 2024

We're already in love with the versatile, vibrant blooms of Supertunia Vista Jazzberry - @ProvenWinners' 2024 National Annual of the Year! This petunia pairs perfectly with any garden and requires no trimming or deadheading making season-long color a breeze. http://provenwinners.com/locate





1 Like

Comment

➡ Share

**Sample Account** May 3rd, 2024 0

What fabulous flowers do we NEED to carry next season? Share those perfect @ProvenWinners varieties in our comments! List the onece that would fulfill your landscaping visions or container dreams and share your garden wishlist below! http://provenwinners.com/locate

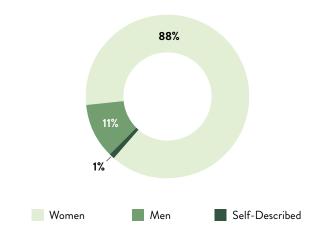


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### Consumer Garden Insights

Key takeaways from 2024 August Survey Total Respondents: 7,469 For more information on results, contact: Jessica DeGraaf – jessica@provenwinners.com

#### **RESPONDENT GENDER IDENTITY**



#### **GARDEN CENTERS VISITED**

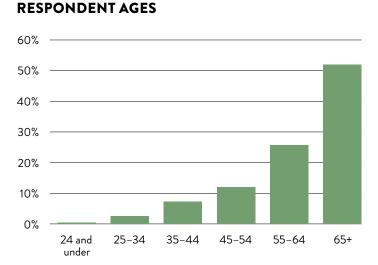
68% visited 2-5 garden centers and 24% visited 5 or more. When asked why they visited more than 5 garden centers, respondents explained that they do so for fun and inspiration, to find specific plants and to find the best prices.



#### WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO A GARDENER WHEN THEY'RE SHOPPING

When asked to rank a list of considerations when plant shopping, consumers told us that plant health is top of mind and more important to them than cost.





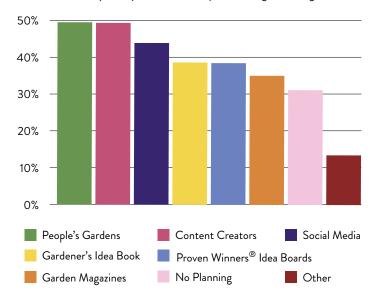
#### **DISTANCE TRAVELED**

Most respondents are visiting garden centers within 25 miles of their home, but nearly 18% are willing to drive 25-50 miles to find a specific variety with 10% traveling over 50 miles.



#### WHAT INSPIRES THEM

For respondents aged 25-44, friends' and neighbors' gardens were their top source of inspiration followed by content creators and social media. Those 45+ are more likely to rely on their own expertise and garden magazines.







### Marketing

In 2024, we aligned leafjoy's consumer marketing through seasonal campaigns across video and audio ads, social media, and Google ads. These efforts resulted in 20M+ impressions and featured a call-to-action directing consumers to visit their local garden center.

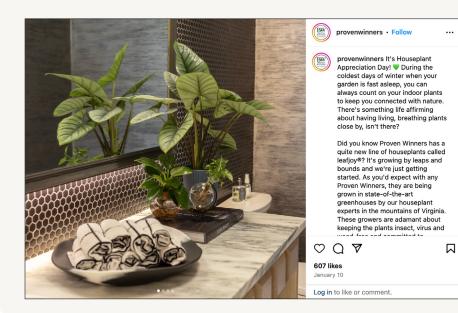
By 2025, we aim to develop social media platforms specifically for leafjoy to provide houseplant enthusiasts with more leafjoy content.



### Bring Nature to Your School

### Social Media

Over 40 social posts garnered an average 7.8% engagement rate. Here are just a few of our best-performing ones:



#### Proven Winners January 2 · 📀

There is only one word to describe Mythic® Dragonite™ Jewel Alocasia...and that is WOW. Take a look at the amazing texture of these leaves! This is a smaller growing Alocasia with shield-shaped leaves that range from olive green to pewter black and even purple shades at times. Now you know with this houseplant has been selected as our Houseplant of the Year! Here's where to shop for leafigy varieties in your area... pwwin.rs/Tjoy

