

2023 Perennial Plant Sale INSTRUCTIONS

GARDEN CLUB OF MONTCLAIR

Saturday, May 6, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, same day as Montclair's Community Yard Sale

***It's not too early to start thinking about our Plant Sale!*

Last year, friendships were made and fun was had; isn't that what it all is about? We are lucky that we have this wonderful sale as our fundraiser. It is condensed into just a short amount of time, with great payoffs.

It's our thing; The Garden Club of Montclair Perennial Plant Sale! 🌸

This year we hope to have another successful sale. To insure our inventory, we hope members who have plants can contribute at least 20 – or many more – perhaps from neighbors. But whatever you can share is always welcome. If anyone needs help digging, we have a “Digger Squad” on call. There are OTHER ways you can contribute during and after the sale. Contact your Team Leader. We do need as many members to work the day of the sale as possible. Remember our Plant Sale helps to fund all the worthwhile causes we love to support!

GATHER/PROCURE the following:

1. **6” and 8” empty flower pots** along w/ **trays**, if possible. Trays make it easier to carry more plants. Ask Team Leader, landscapers, or neighbors for any empty pots.
2. Please use only Miracle Grow Potting Mix w/ slow-release fertilizer in **GREEN** bag.



TO DO:

1. Count the # pots in your inventory. If you have extras, or need more, notify Team Leader.
2. Clean the pots. Water and vinegar work well.

GUIDELINES: Perennial plants can come from our own, as well as friend's and neighbor's homes. Team Leaders & the Digger Squad will help with digging, potting, grooming, and pricing when needed.

Start digging & dividing perennials and plant into 6 or 8” pots. To prevent leakage, cover hole in bottom w/ leaves or a coffee filter. **By April 15**, plants should be potted up to allow enough time to acclimate & get healthy for the sale. Bring your labeled potted plants to your assigned HOSTESS home no later than 24 hours prior to sale.

OTHER ways to help: Join the Digger Squad, locate neighbors or friends who may have plants we can divide to sell, gather 6” & 8” pots, distribute flyers, share on Facebook, organize & distribute the laminated plant pictures, make ½ price signs, collect cardboard trays @wholesale clubs, donate money for potting mix, assist with labeling & pricing, and provide refreshments.

LABELING: Team Leader will provide labels made from cut blind slats. On the label, have the plant name, sun exposure, bloom time & color. Stick in pot. Voila, done!

We thank you in advance for all your help and hard work.

Together we will make this event fun, educational, and rewarding. 😊