Heartwood Native News



A Lasting Harvest: Story of an American Persimmon

Many years ago I was driving with my youngest son and happened upon a majestic native Persimmon tree in full fruit along the side of a busy road in the village of Quinn, in Baltimore County.

Turning the car around, I pulled into the driveway of the house where the tree was precariously situated on the steep bank along the road. The house looked abandoned--blinds pulled, overgrown yard, no vehicles in the driveway. My son, whose name also happens to be Quinn, pulled at my jacket sleeve, telling me we needed to “get out of here.”

Undeterred, I walked up to the house and, hearing the sound of a radio faintly playing music, knocked on the door.

Read more about my relationship with this Persimmon tree in **my new post on our blog, "Walk a Native Plant Path."**

Sue Hunter, Owner, Heartwood Nursery





Maple Seedlings Priced to Start a Forest

We are having a special sale on American Red Maple (*Acer rubrum*) and Silver Maple (*Acer saccharinum*) seedlings: $5 for two-year-old seedlings in 1 gallon containers that we propagated from a local source that produced a heavy crop of seeds.

The trees are ready to be planted into the ground, will establish quickly due to their young root mass, and will mature at a growth rate of 12 - 18 inches per year.

Year after year at Heartwood, we've seen the proof that smaller is better when planting trees and shrubs into the landscape. Here's a chance for you to experience this too.

In addition, Silver and Red Maples are true harbingers of spring. Silver Maple blooms as early as February in shades of gold, tan and burnt orange. The flowers of Red Maple in shades of red, burgundy and crimson often overlap with the blooming time of Silver Maple. As trees begin to 'color up' in early spring, these maples are easy to distinguish when gazing out over the horizon. Early flowering maple trees support early pollinators, too!

On sale through September 30, these maple seedlings are priced to help you plant a stand, a riparian buffer, or a whole forest of trees.





Join Sue for Penn State Extension Holly Webinar, October 8



GROW YOUR HOLLY KNOW-HOW

Webinar explores propagation and landscape use

Discover holly propagation techniques with Sue Hunter, owner of Heartwood Nursery and president of the Holly Society of America. Heartwood, located in York, is one of the largest native plant nurseries offering wholesale and retail in the Mid-Atlantic region and the national leader in American holly propagation.

Get practical insights for nursery growers, landscape professionals, and Master Gardeners seeking to expand their expertise and plant palettes. Earn continuing education credits from the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association.

TOPICS

- Holly selection and propagation techniques
- Strategies for integrating and managing hollies and native plants in landscapes

HOLLY PROPAGATION, SELECTION, AND COLLECTIONS WEBINAR

Thursday, October 8
Noon to 1:15 p.m.

Space is limited

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