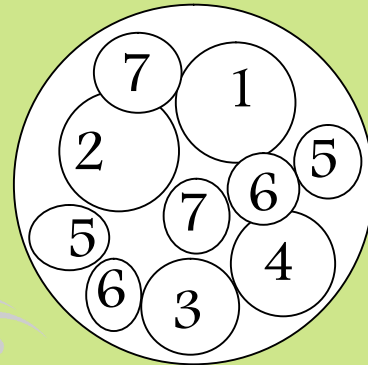


Recipe Card for the
Container Design of the Month
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Design of the Month



Celebrate Spring!

1. *Pieris japonica* 'Brookside'
2. *Polystichum munitum*
3. *Heuchera* 'Frosted Velvet'
4. *Pulmonaria* 'Roy Davidson'
5. *Lamium maculatum* 'Aurea'
6. Anemone 'De Caen' mix
7. *Narcissus* sp.

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Steps:

1. Fill your container 2/3 of the way with all-purpose Potting Soil.
2. Mix some fertilizer into the soil in the container.
We have always had exceptional results with *E.B. Stone Sure Start*.
3. Moistening the soil so that it is damp is an important step if your potting soil is old or on the dry side.
Most fresh bags of soil should take up water evenly when you water the plants in.
4. Plant your container.
It helps to gently loosen the root of each plant to enhance root development.
5. Fill the nooks and crannies with moist potting soil.
6. Water your newly planted container thoroughly and enjoy!

Substitutions:

Sometimes you cannot find the exact cultivated variety we have listed above. Luckily there are substitutions that will offer a similar or even preferred look. Alternatives include: *Pieris* 'Prelude' or *Rhododendron impeditum*. If you would like more height in place of the *Pieris* try *Taxus baccata* 'Fastigiata' or *Ilex crenata* 'Sky Pencil'. Ivy or Creeping Jenny can replace the *Lamium*, and *Ranunculus* can serve in place of the *Anemone*.

Care and Maintenance:

The plants in this container will thrive in part shade with morning sun. Water when slightly dry, being careful not to over water. Top dress and gently scratch into the surface some granular all-purpose fertilizer 3 months after planting. Replace the *Anemones* with summer shade annuals such as *Fuchsia* or *Impatiens*.