

# TREE AND SHRUB STORY IDEAS

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## **Story Idea 1: NEW Plant Introductions**

Along with magazine editors, customers are always asking garden center employees 'What's New?' We are premiering two new Two new introductions debuting in the New Variety Showcase during Farwest Trade Show August 2014. Note: Last year's Persian Spire™ Upright Ironwood was awarded the Award of Merit in the 2013 New Variety Showcase. For more new plant introductions, visit our website www.upshoothort.com and download our latest new plant flyer.

#### Lo-Hugger™ American Cranberry Vaccinum macrocarpon 'Lohzam'



Mature Size 4-6" h x groundcover Low, spreading Shape

**Flower** Pink

Fruit Edible, red berries

Zone

**Foliage** Dark green

An edible evergreen groundcover, Lo-Hugger produces delicious cranberries right on the ground and has intense burgundy winter color.

#### Marleys Pink™ Japanese Snowbell Styrax japonica 'JLWeeping' US PP 23,755 P3



**Mature Size** 8-10' h x 4-5' w Shape Weeping **Flower** Pink Fruit **Brown nutlets** 

Zone

**Foliage** Dark, glossy green

A weeping ornamental flowering Japanese snowbell covered in a shower of light pink flowers that wafts a sweet cotton candy fragrance in a gentle breeze.

## **Story Idea 2: Small Space and Low Maintenance Plants**

As seen in Foolproof Plants for Small Gardens mobile phone gardening app, Maria Zampini contributed these and more Zone 5 and 6 plants. Apartment and condo dwellers are always on the lookout for trees and shrubs that stay smaller in stature.

### Lancelot® Dwarf Crabapple Malus 'Lanzam'



Mature Size 10' h x 6' w Shape Upright, oval **Flower** White, red bud single 3/8" golden Fruit

Zone 4

**Foliage** Crisp green Mr. Bowling Ball® Globe Arborvitae Thuja occidentalis 'Bobazam'



Mature Size 2.5 h x 2.5' w Shape Rounded Flower Inconspicuous Fruit Inconspicuous

Zone 3

**Foliage** Sage green

A genetically dwarf ornamental flowering and fruiting tree Perfect ball shape does not require trimming or pruning to that can be grown successfully in small urban gardens or patio keep its rounded appearance. Mr. Bowling Ball holds up well containers. One of seven dwarf crabapples in the Roundtable under heavy East Coast snow loads. Great as a hedging of Crabapple series. substitute for boxwoods.

#### Story Idea 3: Drought Tolerant, Modern Day Nativars Provide the Best of Both Worlds

UpShoot is conscientuous on finding plants that are heat and drought tolerant. Total Landscape Care Magazine recently featured "How to Properly Water Trees Through Summer Season," quoting advice from The Arbor Day Foundation for landscapers and homeowners on properly maintaining plants during the dog days of summer.

#### Cuyahoga™ Gray Dogwood Cornus racemosa 'Cuyzam'



Mature Size 12-15' h x 10-12' w Shape Pyramidal Flower Creamy-white

Fruit Luminous white Zone

**Foliage** 

Black-green

Clump form developed for use under utility lines that works in the harshest conditions and still looks clean. Designers use

### Geauga® Gray Dogwood Cornus racemosa 'Geazam'



Mature Size 6-8' h x 4' w Shape Upright Flower Creamy-white Fruit White

Zone **Foliage** Glossy, green-black

"I use Cornus Geauga® the most because so many urban and suburban lots have narrow spaces, yet height is needed to create privacy or screening." - Bobbie Schwartz, FAPLD, GWA

this plant for reclamation projects, stream banks, understory nativar in woodland garden designs.



## **NEW GARDEN PRODUCTS STORY IDEAS**

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Are you currently writing a book and need marketing assistance? Learn more about how UpShoot can help assist you in promoting your book and garden-related products and services to the horticultural industry and consumers.

#### **Story Idea 1: Gardening Goes Mobile**

"The Armitage app is perfect for me and all of us at east coast garden center located in Millsboro, Delaware. When a customer wants to know about a plant the app gives us instant access to everything we need to answer questions and make a sale. The app is easy to navigate. I like to use my iPad and others use their iPhones. The videos are fun to watch and offer another method to showcase the plants. It is nice to have a hand held botanic garden!" - Valery Cordrey



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Product Mobile phone garden app
Feature FREE IGC listing
Content Annuals, perennials,
grasses, veggies, deer resistant,
sun/shade plants, USDA zones
Publisher Sutro Media

Dr. Allan Armitage is well-known as a writer, speaker and researcher throughout the world. His plant knowledge and academic background has allowed him to write thirteen books, countless papers and hundreds of articles for professionals and the gardening public.

An app about perennial and annuals that spans the gap between the horticulture industry and consumers.

Dr. Armitage picks his favorite genera in annuals and perennials coaching readers know why he chose them. He provides hints for success with photos and how-to videos.

## Story Idea 2: Mobile Gro Carts: Perfect for Urban and Elder Gardening

"Container gardening is the Number One form of gardening as a hobby and is very therapeutic. What I like about the Mobilegro is that you can pack a lot of material in a little space ... and for people with limited mobility, Mobilegro brings the garden to them." - Nick Federoff from Things Green, radio host



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Product Mobile garden cart
Feature 3 and 4 tier options
Content High quality, powde

**Content** High quality, powder coated steel construction, four custom trim and four side panel design options to choose from

Produced United States

Many people have lost their homes and gardens due to challenging economic times. Angela DiMaggio experienced this first hand. She was determined to find a way to enjoy the benefits of gardening in a condo with a small concrete patio.

Mobilegro Carts allow people with space constraints or limited range of motion the ability to still enjoy gardening. Designed specifically for urban cityscapes, balconies, apartments, postage stamp size lots, patios and courtyards.

#### Story Idea 3: The NonStop Garden Book and Nurseries

"Just when it seems there couldn't possibly be anything original to say on the subject of perennial design, along come two authors with a breezy style, down-to-earth advice and a refreshingly open approach to prove you wrong." - Booklist



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NONSTOP GARDEN Washe as a series

**Product** Paperback book

Features Nursery listing for quality plant

sourcing nationwide

**Content** Ten non-stop flowering garden plans with detailed plant descriptions

**Printer** Timber Press

Stephanie has taught herbaceous plants and perennial design at Temple University for over 20 years. She is a contributing editor for consumer publications, sits on industry advisory boards and writes for Blooms of Bressingham Plant Program.

The Nonstop Garden features hand-picked lists of top performing perennials, shrubs, and trees. Stephanie's seasonal flair rounds out this fun approach to landscaping that every gardener at any level can succeed with!