Digging Deep with Goddess Gardener, Cynthia Brian

March into spring







Purple bearded iris glisten in the garden.

Urban Farmer Seeds: https://www.ufseeds.com

A gorgeous combination of flowering pear and camellia trees.

Azaleas are in full bloom. Photos Cynthia Brian

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Here are a few of my favorite catalogs and newsletters to whet your appetite: American Meadows: www.AmericanMeadows.com Baker Creek Heirloom seeds: www.RareSeeds.com Bluestone Perennials: www.BlueStonePerennials.com Botanical Interests: www.Botanicalinterests.com Burpee Seeds and Plants: www.Burpee.com Brent and Becky's Bulb Growers: www.BrentandBeckysBulbs.com Green Mantel Heirloom Plant Nursery: www.GreenMantelNursery.com Gurneys Seed and Nursery: www.Gurneys.com High Country Gardens: www.HighCountryGardens.com Jackson and Perkins: www.jacksonandperkins.com John Scheepers Kitchen Garden Seeds: www.kitchengardenseeds.com Lilipons Water Garden: https://lilypons.com Monrovia Nursery Company: www.Monrovia.com Nature Hills Online Plant Nursery: www.NatureHills.com Nichols Garden Nursery: https://nicholsgardennursery.com Plant Delights Nursery, Inc.: www.PlantsDelights.com Proven Winners: www.ProvenWinners.com Raintree Nursery: https://raintreenursery.com Renee's Garden: www.ReneesGarden.com Seed Savers Exchange: www.seedsavers.org Territorial Seed company: https://territorialseed.com

Wayside Gardens: www.WaysideGardens.com White Flower Farm: www.WhiteFlowerFarm.com

This directory is by no means exhaustive. Choose a few that speak to you and increase your horticultural education. To elevate your garden savvy even more, dive into the world of gardening for a free live stream of the Great Grow Along Festival happening March 15-19. Whether you're a seasoned green thumb or a new plant parent, you'll have the chance to connect with top influencers, participate in interactive demonstrations and in-garden footage, and even chat live with the speakers. Take advantage of this opportunity to take your gardening skills to the next level. There are several sessions to choose from, covering everything from sustainability to DIY landscaping, first-time and experienced gardeners will get practical advice and creative inspiration from top 'plantfluencers,' garden experts, and industry leaders – all for free. https://greatgrowalong.com

Being a gardener means being on a constant learning curve. No matter how much we know, we'll never know enough. We may not be able to work in our gardens in the unpredictable inclement weather, but with the inventory of reading materials and online displays, we won't need to run away to find the sunshine. Sit by the fire with a cup of herbal tea infused with lemon and mint to savor the sweetness of marching into spring. Or, since St. Patrick's Day is nigh, hoist a Guinness and relish the green terrain that evokes the Emerald Isles, land of leprechauns, shamrocks, and banshees, with gratitude to the rain. There will be plenty of time for digging deeply in the next few months.

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