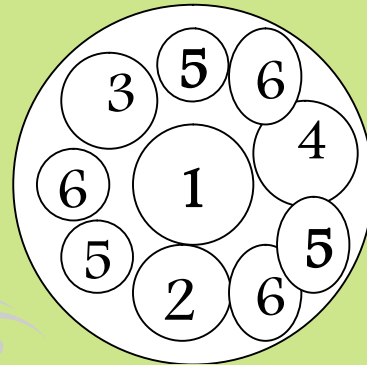


Recipe Card for the
Container Design of the Month
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Design of the Month



Evergreen Elegance

1. *Phormium* "Pink Stripe"
2. *Heuchera* "Midnight Rose"
3. *Helleborus* "Silver Lace"
4. *Distylium* "Lucky Charm"
5. *Vinca* "Wojo's Gem"
6. Pansy "Delta Fire" series.

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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: Any Phormium you like for position 1. Any color of Pansy (white might make a nice frosty look) for a number 6 alternative. For 2 and 5 there are many Heucheras and Vinca of different shades to choose from.

Care and Maintenance:

The plants in this container will thrive in a full-part sun location. Water when slightly dry, being careful not to over water. All of the plants except the pansies in this container are perennials. The pansies can be replaced in the spring with summer annuals.