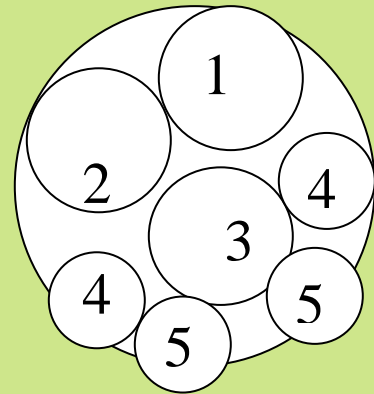


Recipe Card for the  
Container Design of the Month  
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# September

Design of the Month



## Soft and Scented

1. *Cordyline* 'Torbay Dazzler'
2. *Sedum* 'Blue Pearl'
3. *Thymus* 'Silver Posie'
4. *Origanum* 'Kent Beauty'
5. *Calluna vulgaris* 'Silver Knight'

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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* and *Osmocote*.
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.

### Care and Maintenance:

The plants in this container will thrive with at least six hours of direct sun and will bloom from September to frost (October or November) with regular fertilizing every 2-3 weeks. Many of the plants are evergreen and will look great through the winter. Water when slightly dry, being careful not to over water.