

The Green Thumb

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CARE OF FUCHSIAS: Few house plants are more graceful and lovely than the fuchsia ("Few-shuh), commonly known as Lady's Ear Drops. If your fuchsia has been growing outdoors, bring it in before frost. Take up cuttings from the plant and root them in sand or plain tap water. Don't try to grow the parent plant again in the winter as it will be woody and difficult to get to bloom.

Young plants are more floriferous and more shapely. Sometimes you can cut the old parent plant back and get a new plant from this. Grow the fuchsia in a bright window, and give plenty of moisture (not too soggy).

And while we're on the subject of house plants, better take a peek at your gladiolus. It's been allowed to dry off, pretty soon new growth will start and that will be a signal to give it water and a fairly bright window. Tall lanky plants mean not enough light. While the gladiolus does not like direct sun, it should be in a bright window.

DAHLIA CARE: Wait until frost blackens the tops of your dahlias before cutting them off. After that you can clip the stems off two inches above the ground, then the clump is lifted carefully so as not to break the necks.

You can leave some soil around the roots. The clumps can be stored upside down to get water out of stalk. Best storage temperature is anywhere from 35 degrees to 50 degrees F.

Some gardeners cover the clumps with damp peat moss to protect them from drying out. During the storage period it's a good idea to check the roots to see if any have shriveled or rotted. Some shriveling is normal, so by the time planting season rolls around in spring, don't be alarmed if your roots are dried. They'll expand after planting and send forth sprouts.

STORING ONIONS: Onions like a dry storage and temperature as low as possible, a hard combination to find in modern homes. Store in a tray so that air may circulate around the bulbs and prevent rot. Dry off your onions before storing.

GREEN THUMB CLINIC: A reader writes: "We want to grow some parsley in our bay window. What care does it need? Would you start them from seed or plants dug from the garden?"

Answer: A pot of parsley is mighty nice to have during the winter. Start new plants from seed now, or dig up a clump from the garden. Get a lot of soil with it, as parsley does not have a good root system and may wilt before it gets a chance to recover.

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Little Talent Needed; Only Advanced Plans

With all the glorious materials available today, it doesn't take much talent to create a beautiful bathroom. But like anything in life, it does require advance planning.

First you have to answer the question of just how "modern" your bathroom should be. There are some who feel it should be an auxiliary reading-writing-music room. Others hold that it's no good unless it extends outdoors to a private sunbathing patio, perhaps with an indoor-outdoor shower.

Neither concept may be your cup of tea, but most families will agree that by expanding its size, the bathroom makes a dandy exercising room. Allow enough space to swing arms and legs and to stretch full length on the floor, and excuses vanish for not including a 15-minute toe-touching session as part of the bathing ritual.

MOST FAMILIES agree, too, that the antiseptic look is out and the living room look is in. Influenced by Scandinavian-born interior designers and by the sauna, bathrooms now sport solid lumber paneling on walls, creating an appearance far richer than its dollar cost.

The Scandinavians like their wood as natural as possible and lean toward softwoods, using rewarmed or rough sawn panel boards on walls and satin-smooth lumber for cabinetwork.

Douglas fir, an "everyday" wood in this country, is highly prized abroad and is frequently the choice of a Scandinavian designer. Most often, they'll finish fir clear to enjoy its unusual orange-gold coloring, but occasionally stain is specified to complement a particular color scheme.

USING WOOD in the bathroom is no different from using it elsewhere. Modern exhaust fans carry moisture to the outside and, when finished with a tough polyurethane, smooth-surfaced panel boards are as washable as laminated plastic.

The traditional Scandinavian sauna is lined with unfinished boards, and resaw paneling used in the bathroom also may be unfinished except for a seal coat on both sides and edges. With the texture of wood to temper them, the slick surfaces of plastic and enamel no longer appear hard or cold, and colors come alive.

Primary red, larkspur blue, antique gold, buttercup, avocado, cherry, purple and sizzling pink are exciting and can be used with abandon for countertops, floor covering and window treatments, as well as in towels and accessories.

If adding a new bathroom or remodeling an old one, there's no need to skimp on costs, for surveys show conclusively that every penny spent is reclaimed on a future sale of the house.

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Mathers explained, means that half of the houses sold during this period were bought at prices above the figure and half below. He added that the median price has been moving up with the increased housing demand, and predicted a continuation of the trend.

The UNRA sales territory includes more than 30 communities and an area of more than 800 square miles.

"This survey serves to keep us up-to-the-minute with the qualitative and quantitative data on the existing-home market, and in particular allows us to compare local sales trends with those of neighboring regions, thereby anticipating changes in the local home market," Mathers said.

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