

# Clematis

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After the first year of bloom, timely pruning is necessary. Early spring bloomers need to be pruned back in late winter to a height of about 24 to 36 inches after flowering.

Late-spring or early-summer flowering plants, which also produce flowers on new wood, need to be cut back to 24 inches the following spring. Denton's goal is May 1. Then, the late-blooming types, which are produced on the current year's growth, need to be pruned right to ground level at

the start of each season.

### Supporting roles

Denton has found that plants bought locally do better than the mail-ordered ones. She likes to buy them when they are about three feet high, in bud or already blooming.

She doesn't remove the support stake that the plant is growing on, but lets the late-blooming types climb on the trellis, pole or other support provided. Wire mesh also gives good support. These ten-

acious plants can be easily patented by tying them to a support until they are established.

There are more than 250 species and at least 5,000 cultivars in this family, so this wide selection should please the most discriminating gardener. Our season begins in May and continues until the first frost. The foliage seeds that develop after bloom time add another facet to this favorite plant.

### Around and about

We are fortunate to have in this

area two lovely places to enjoy lunch in beautiful surroundings: Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester, and Cranbrook House and Gardens in Bloomfield Hills.

Meadow Brook Hall is open for luncheon each day during July and August 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. No reservations are necessary. At Cranbrook House and Gardens, a garden tour can be combined with lunch Thursdays from June 30 to Sept. 30. Luncheon reservations are required. Call 646-3148.

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Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mail-

box number, 1859. Her fax number is 644-1314.

### Handcolor photos

The Paint Creek Center for the Arts offers a one-day adult workshop, "Handcoloring," 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 10.

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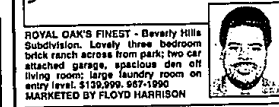


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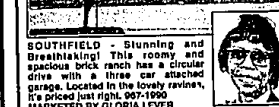
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