



What's growing on at Johnny's Catalog Store this month?



Johnny's Catalog Store is now open six days a week. The store hours are:
 Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ordering bulk seeds for Saturday pick-up? Call during the week so we can arrange to have the seed packed and waiting for you. Call 861-3999 or jmatuzas@johnnyseeds.com.

LOCALLY GROWN: Eating locally-grown fruits and vegetables gets easier this month as many farmers' markets are starting back up after the winter hiatus. The varieties of offerings will change weekly as foods come and go out of season. Farm stands and farmers' markets offer consumers an opportunity to speak directly to the person that grows their food, taste and compare different varieties of items, often walk away with a new recipe, and support one of their neighbors. If you are not sure where the closest farmers' market is to your house, you can go to www.getrealmaine.com. And, if you really want to show your support for the "Eat Locally Grown" movement, check out the local food T-shirt that Johnny's offers. This shirt was designed by Hillary Alger, who works in Johnny's breeding program.



MOTHER'S DAY: Johnny's can solve your quandary over what to get Mom for Mother's Day this year. We have lots of new items in the store including gardening gloves that come with a built-in brow wiper (this you have to see), made in Maine garden hods great for bringing the vegetables inside and leaving the dirt outside, self-watering containers, biosets, herb disk sets, and pots.

We are also offering a selection of four different gift baskets for Mom. Prices range from \$29 to \$99. If you still can't make up your mind, get a gift certificate and let Mom decide for herself.

PLANTS: Johnny's does not sell vegetable or flower seedlings. However, as a service to our customers, we have made an arrangement with Topnotch Farms to sell seedlings (grown from Johnny's seeds) in our parking lot. Topnotch will start selling seedlings on May 8 and will be outside during the store's hours - weather permitting.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Plant sweet peas for fragrant bouquets this summer.	2	3
4	5 Succession plant beets, carrots, spinach, lettuce, and swiss chard for a continuous supply.	6	7	8 Top Notch Farm starts selling seedlings in Johnny's parking lot. Mon-Sat. 9-4:30 p.m.	9 Belfast Garden Days start. Visit belfastgardenclub.org for info.	10 MOFGA Organic Orcharding 101. Education Center www.mofga.org .
11 Mother's Day	12	13 Start kale, kohlrabi, collards, and mustard outside.	14	15 Use row covers to protect your plants.	16	17 Start cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, and brussel sprouts now to transplant outdoors in June.
18	19 Cover your beds with solar mulch to warm the soil and control the weeds for planting seedlings in the ground after Memorial Day.	20	21	22 Start harvesting rhubarb.	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day Johnny's will be closed.	27	28 Direct seed basil.	29	30 If your soil temperature is 60° or higher it is okay to start transplanting most vegetables.	31