

## *A Gardener Must Prepare For That Springtime Love Affair*

1. *Focus! No Nonsense!*
2. *Beware falling in love at the Chelsea Flower Show*
3. *Live lupines!*
4. *Have faith the worst of winter is behind us*
5. *"Winter interest" is no longer*
6. *Wildlife adapts to spring and so must we*
7. *Exotic migratory species spotted in Chesapeake*
8. *Oh Bore! Chores must come first*
9. *Too late to prune?*
10. *Pruning Texas style*
11. *Cutting flowering almond branches = pruning*
12. *Arrange those trimmings: "kittybana"*
13. *Hellebore- one heck of a perennial*
14. *Just don't eat it*
15. *Lily of the valley- beautiful, but deadly*
16. *Rake up and reuse those leaves*
17. *Grasses in bondage easier to cut back*
18. *Compost- the anti-aging factor*
19. *Fertilizers for perennial, roses, and lawn- organic, of course*
20. *Our lions are just dandy*
21. *Lighten up on weeds*
22. *Corn gluten- a nutritious pre-emergent herbicide*
23. *Mulching matters- no red volcanoes. Or...*
24. *Block weed block plastic*
25. *Good mulches: Shredded hardwood*
26. *Pine straw*
27. *Roughly composted leaves*
28. *Houseplants, too? Try Spanish moss.*
29. *Don't rush that sunbathing*
30. *Finally- flower beds*
31. *What kind of home do you offer a plant? Morning sun?*
32. *Full, afternoon sun?*
33. *Start small- Square Foot Gardening, Mel Bartholomew*
34. *Soil is the soul of the garden*
35. *Warm up to gardening (Seed at: 40 degrees- peas, lettuce. 45 degrees- carrot, radish, spinach. 50 degrees- beet, parsley, Swiss chard. 60 degrees- snap beans, corn, cucumber, tomato seedlings. 65 degrees- lima bean. 70 degrees okra, southern peas, squash, watermelon, and transplants of eggplant and pepper. 75 degrees- cantaloupe seed, sweet potato sets.)*
36. *Hot colors, warm soil- 'Rustic Orange' coleus, 'Sweet Pickle' peppers.*

37. *Protect your babies- floating row cover*
38. *Lead us into temptation- the catalogs: Plant Delights, Johnny's, Park's, etc.*
39. *Temptation + knowledge= a variety of knowledge*
40. *Park's Success With Seeds- some seedy insurance*
41. *A lust for roses- Antique Rose Emporium, Roses Unlimited x 2*
42. *Black spot in my garden*
43. *Get my 'Drift' roses*
44. *Try tough Earth-Kind roses like 'Belinda's Dream'*
45. *Flower Show finds- heirlooms*
46. *Gloucester Daffodil Festival, April 7, 2007*
47. *Top of its class- 'Cum Laude'*
48. *Garden accessories, very tempting*
49. *Mr. McGregor meets Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden*
50. *Go borrow those ideas- violas and tulips at Lewis Ginter*
51. *Elizabethan Gardens go to pot, Swiss chard and all*
52. *If the Virginia Zoo can do it, you can do it! 'Citrus Mix' violas and dusty miller*
53. *'Citrus Mix' violas, 'Winterbor' kale, 'Sunshine Boys' daffodils, 'Carnegie' hyacinth, 'Gold Fever' tulip x 3*
53. *'Monet Mix' pansies, 'Red Feather' kale*
54. *Cut leaf kales like 'White peacock' or 'White Feather' kale are very forgiving- most of the time.*
55. *'Antique Shades' pansies with snapdragons and 'Redbor' kale*
56. *Violas keep rolling along- Penny Yellow' viola with 'Ultima Morpho' pansies*
57. *'Tricolor Mix' pansies, 'Redbor' kale, violas, 'Marieke' daffodils*
58. *'Frizzle Sizzle' pansies- ruffled novelties*
59. *'Yesterday, Today, & Tomorrow' violas- 3 colors in 1*
60. *'Tiger Eyes' violas belongs in the Zoo*
61. *Take a break, enjoy the moment and reflect*
62. *Spring fever at its best*
63. *Great expectations*
64. *Humble harvest*
65. *Saintly wisdom*

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