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Memphis Botanic Garden's Fall Plant Sale Returns September 30 through October 3

The Mid-South's Trusted Destination for Fall Planting

Memphis, TN, August 24, 2026 — **Memphis Botanic Garden**'s annual **Fall Plant Sale** returns September 30 through October 3, offering four days of expertly selected plants, personalized advice from horticulture professionals, and exclusive shopping opportunities for members and Preview Party guests.

From trees and shrubs to natives, herbs, annuals, pollinator favorites, woodland ephemerals, houseplants, tropicals, and pumpkins, every plant has been selected to thrive in the Mid-South. Garden horticulturists will be available throughout the sale to answer questions and help shoppers find the right plants for their landscapes. Fans of the Garden's popular *Botanica* plant event will also find a selection of the collector-variety houseplants that made that experience such a hit, offering distinctive indoor plants for enthusiasts looking to grow their collections.

"Our Fall Plant Sale is one of my favorite events because it gives us the chance to share what we've been growing and help people find plants they'll enjoy for years to come," said **Wyatt Peterson, Greenhouse Manager at Memphis Botanic Garden**. "Whether you're an experienced gardener or bringing home your first plant, our team loves helping people find the right plants for their space."

Why Fall is the Best Time to Plant

Dr. Jonathan Caples, Director of Horticulture & Facilities, says fall offers ideal conditions for establishing healthy landscapes. "Many people think of spring as planting season, but fall is one of the best times to plant trees, shrubs, and many perennials," Caples said. "Warm soil gives roots time to establish before next summer's heat arrives, setting plants up for long-term success."

Preview Party Returns

Following a successful debut this spring, the **Fall Plant Sale Preview Party** (21+) returns on Wednesday, September 30, from 4-7 pm. Guests will enjoy exclusive early shopping before the sale opens to the public, plus a welcome cocktail and one additional drink ticket. A food truck will be on-site, and MBG horticulture experts will be available throughout the evening to answer questions and offer personalized recommendations.

Preview Party tickets are $20 for MBG Members and $25 for non-members. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance.

Member Perks & Public Hours

MBG Members receive exclusive early shopping access on Thursday, October 1, from 10 am-12 pm before the sale opens to the public at noon. Not yet a Member? Joining unlocks early access and year-round benefits.

The sale opens to the public:

- Thursday, October 1, 12-6 pm
- Friday, October 2, 10 am-6 pm
- Saturday, October 3, 10 am-6 pm

Admission to shop is free during public hours. No reservations are required.

Good to Know: The Fall Plant Sale is cashless. Credit and debit cards only.

Proceeds from the Fall Plant Sale directly support Memphis Botanic Garden's mission as a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to horticulture, education, and environmental enrichment, serving more than 40,000 school-aged children annually and welcoming over 260,000 visitors each year.

For event details or to purchase Preview Party tickets, visit:
https://membg.org/events/fall-plant-sale-2026/

Event Details:

- ***Fall Plant Sale at the Garden***
- Preview Party (21+): September 30, 4-7 pm
- Member Shopping Hours: October 1, 10 am-12 pm
- Open to the Public: October 1, 12-6 pm; October 2-3, 10 am-6 pm
- Free admission | MBG Members receive 10% off purchases (not including outside vendor items)

For more information or to join as a member, visit membg.org

Media Kit: https://membg.box.com/s/w1v98okgli8kw1dss4fp1ev04w6ylm63

About Memphis Botanic Garden

The Memphis Botanic Garden is a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to being an exemplary center for horticulture and environmental enrichment. Serving over 40,000 school-aged children annually, and hosting 260,000 visitors each year, Memphis Botanic Garden strives to enhance lives by connecting people with nature, increasing awareness and appreciation of our environment.

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