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Art in Bloom

A Celebration of Art and Flowers

7 Plants to Get
Excited About

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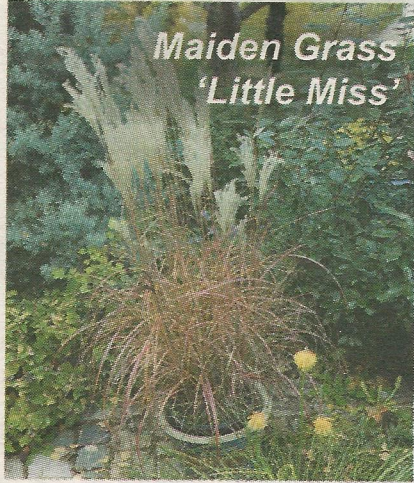


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when eating them. They can be delicious when cooked into jams and pies.

When presented with all these show-stopping blooms, sometimes the subtler grasses can get overlooked. Well, 'Little Miss' maiden grass screams



"look at me!" Featuring foliage of red, eggplant and pink, this hardy grass rivals the flashiness of the popular, but not hardy, 'Fireworks' fountain grass. Maiden grasses are not only deer proof, but deer don't

even like to touch them. They can be used to create a living fence to help keep the cute but destructive deer at bay.

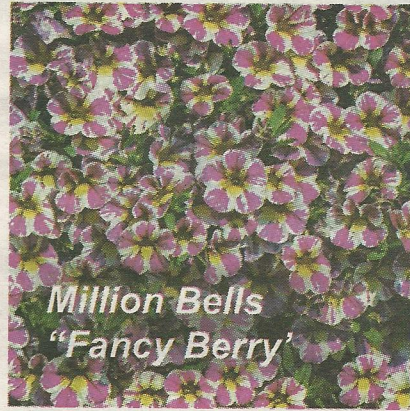
I am falling in love with the burgundy-rose spikes of



'Morello' hummingbird mint. Blooming all summer long this low-maintenance perennial is beloved by many a pollinator. Don't be surprised to see bees, butterflies and hummingbirds gathering at the 'Morello' watering hole day in and day out. Easily grown in pots or well-drained soils—any poor-draining soil will kill a

hummingbird mint faster than weed killer.

Two new annual million bells that I will be sure to add to my containers this year are 'Holy Smokes!' and 'Fancy Berry'. Each flower features purple or raspberry flowers, respectively, with yellow highlights and



white stripes and edging. Each plant produces masses of these eye-popping flowers, creating a display that will turn heads. These unique beauties look great in mixed containers, but they are showy enough to make a splash on their own in a hanging basket or a display where height isn't required.

With all these new plants I can't wait for spring to arrive, can you?

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March 1-3, 2019

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