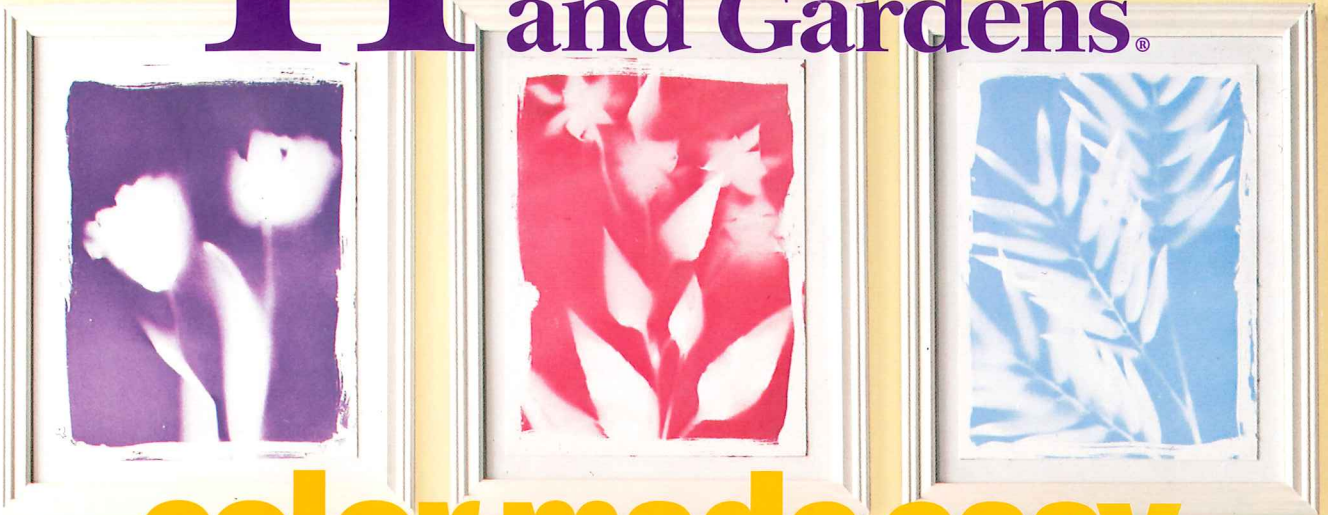


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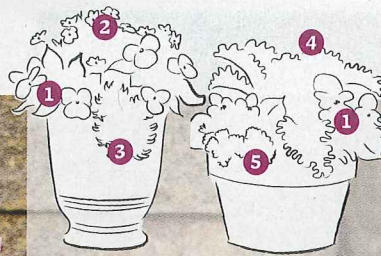
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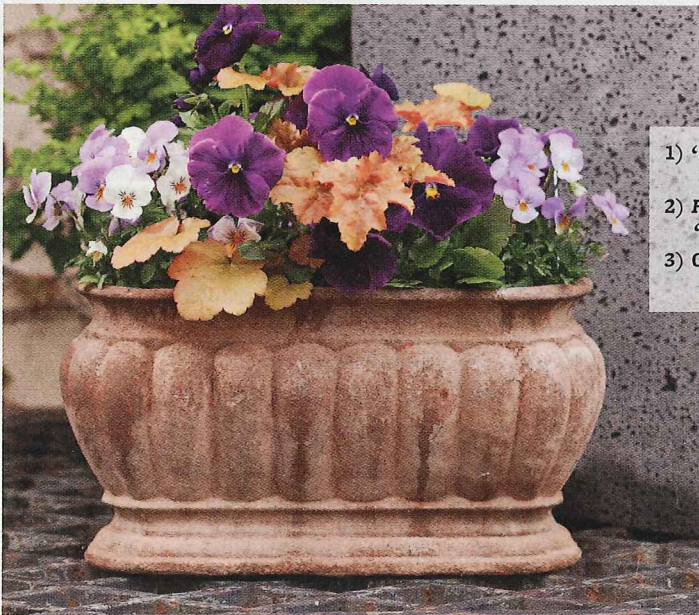


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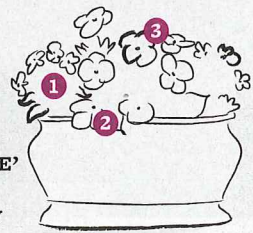
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- 1) CLEAR SKY PURPLE PANSY
- 2) 'INTENSIA PINK' ANNUAL PHLOX
- 3) SEDUM RUPESTRE 'ANGELINA'
- 4) 'RED BOR' KALE
- 5) 'EASTER BONNET' SWEET ALYSSUM



- 1) 'COOL WAVE' PANSY
- 2) HEUCHERA 'CREME BRULEE'
- 3) CLEAR SKY PURPLE PANSY



**See more spring pots**

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# Cool color

These annuals revel in chilly spring weather and even handle a bit of frost (exceptions noted). Garden centers usually stock them weeks before your last frost. Go ahead and plant them in pots or flowerbeds long before their heat-loving cousins.



## Lettuce

**SIZE:** Up to 6 inches

**COLOR:** Green- and purple-leaf varieties. Often sold as mixes.

**USES:** Easy to grow in pots or beds, alone or to create nice contrast with other plants. Be sure to grow enough to harvest and eat!



## Lobelia

**SIZE:** Up to 6 inches

**COLOR:** Known for intense blue blooms, it also comes in white, rose, and purple. (Shown: 'Blue Star')

**USES:** Trailing habit is great for baskets. It likes cool temps but won't take frost.



## Viola

**SIZE:** 4-8 inches

**COLOR:** Blooms in many hues, often in bi- or tricolors. (Shown: 'Sorbet Purple Duet')

**USES:** Equally at home in pots and beds. Very hardy—fall plantings will rebloom the following spring.



## Osteospermum

**SIZE:** 12-18 inches

**COLOR:** Daisy flowers in yellow, white, purple, or pink. (Shown: '3D Purple')

**USES:** Great container plant. Takes summer heat as well as frost, but may cease blooming in hot summer weather.



## Sweet alyssum

**SIZE:** 4-8 inches

**COLOR:** White, pink, red, or violet blooms are highly fragrant. (Shown: 'Easter Bonnet White')

**USES:** The spreading, trailing habit is good for containers or edging.



## Diascia

**SIZE:** 15-18 inches

**COLOR:** Airy, white to pink blooms (Shown: 'Diamante Coral Rose')

**USES:** Primarily used as a container plant. Tolerates heat, but needs some protection from direct sun in the summer.



## Stock

**SIZE:** 12-30 inches

**COLOR:** White, pink, or purple blooms. (Shown: 'Sugar and Spice Violet')

**USES:** Containers or beds. The strong, sweet fragrance adds romance to gardens.



## Nemesia

**SIZE:** 12-16 inches

**COLOR:** White, pink, orange, red, or lavender blooms. (Shown: 'Opal Innocence')

**USES:** Best in pots. Blooms in spring, again in autumn, but may cease in summer.