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Feng Shui, flowers and good Chi



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Easy spring flowers bring good Chi to your home and garden! Photo credit: Better Homes and Gardens, Top Spring Annuals

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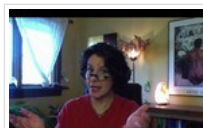
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Potted plants are a wonderful way to incorporate [feng shui enhancements](#) in your home and garden. You can use plants to bring color, size, shape, texture and excitement to your yard, front porch and deck while improving the Chi or energy of the space around you.

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1. **Petunias.** Petunias are available in a broad array of colors and stripes! They come in vining varieties as well as more upright varieties. My favorite is the Wave Petunia.
2. **Geraniums.** Geraniums are available as upright plants and as vining plants. I love to use the vining geranium around the edges of my flower pots. Your choices include a wide variety of colors.
3. **Impatiens.** Impatiens are great in shade to part sun. They are super easy to grow and come in lots of colors. The most effective ways to use them are either groupings of single colors or you can group colors for a rainbow effect.
4. **Marigolds.** Bright yellow or orange, these mainstays won't let you down as long they're in the sun.
5. **Begonias.** Begonias are easy to grow in just about any sun exposure and there are lots of colors to choose from.



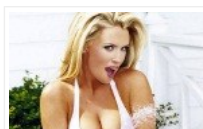
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Container gardening is easy to do and comes with many benefits that can improve how your space looks and feels, benefits that support a positive flow of energy while creating a sense of welcome. Good [Feng Shui](#) embraces comfort, beauty and vitality.

1. **A beautiful focal point.** Potted plants, flowers and pots create visual interest. You can group them together in varying sizes and heights or you can create interest by varying the colors and textures in your grouping. I think the simplest designs are often the best, so if texture scares you, go for an impact in a single color with a variety of plants – or mass large groupings of a single plant together for a strong impact and pizzazz!
2. **Brighten an otherwise dark spot.** Group containers of bright annuals among duller plants in the garden for added color. I love to tuck potted flowers in and around my existing landscape plants to bring in a pop of color!
3. **Evolving.** As spring gives way to summer and summer gives way to fall, rearrange the plants in your pots to keep them fresh and appropriate for the season.
4. **Definition.** Pots can be used to define areas in your garden. Use them to set the stage in outdoor rooms such as a seating area or to separate a seating area from a play area, they can even create a living fence.
5. **Placement flexibility.** If you find you don't like the colors or plants where you placed the pot, you can move it!

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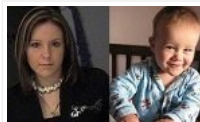
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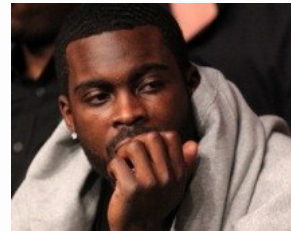
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