

June is the perfect summer month. The temperature is starting to warm up but it's not too hot. Enjoy time outside both day and evening in this lovely month.

In the Garden

It's not to late to add some flowers to your cutting garden. In early June, you can still plant some zinnias or cosmos from seeds and get flowers in late July or August. Or pick up a never-grown-before flower and plant it in a corner to see if you love it.

Simple Craft Idea

Make easy Bug Repellant Candles for your next outdoor gathering. Place a few slices of lemons and limes in a mason jar. Add a sprig of rosemary. Fill with water and a few drops of lemon or lavender oil. Place a tealight candle on top. Set on your alfresco table.

Good Read

Platters and Boards by Shelly Westerhausen is a fun way to enjoy a meal with friends and family. This "cookbook" shares lots of ideas for displaying your meals on cutting boards and trays.

Fun Outdoor Activity

Keep an eye out for any local Garden Tours. Many of these focus on homeowners that have turned their gardens into something special. Great Inspiration!

Planning Ahead

Although harvest season is not here yet, it's just around the corner. Make sure to get your freezer ready for the season. Also, pick up any supplies you will need such as freezer bags, canning jars and lids.

Recipe to Make

Strawberry season is still going strong. Try this Strawberry Spinach Salad for your next family get-together. It's a refreshing way to enjoy this sweet seasonal fruit.

Vintage Decor

Be on the lookout for vintage linens this June. Old tablecloths, napkins and sheets can be used to make pillow covers, bunting, aprons and wall hangings.

To Stay Organized

Keep a list of all of the plants, both flowers and vegetables, that you are growing this year. You can keep the list in your garden journal or on a clipboard. Also, jot down any concerns you had with the various plants...what worked and what didn't.

Inspirational Quote

The hum of bees is the voice of the garden.
Elizabeth Lawrence

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