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Whether it's a vegetable garden, house plants or a landscape...

A Garden Runs Through It

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This month's links:

December 2010

- [Apples and Pear: Calendar](#)
- [Inspect Landscape Trees for Hazards](#)
- [Poinsettia Care](#)

Information Booth Locations:

No more Plant Clinics in 2010.
Look for us in 2011!

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Frequently Asked Questions:

How do I keep my Poinsettias alive through the season?

Poinsettias are tropical plants.

- Do not buy plants that are outside.
- Do not leave the plants in the car over night.
- Do not put your plants outside.
- Keep plants above 60 degrees in your house.
- Do not overwater!
- Water a little bit when the soil gets dry. If you overwater let the container drain in your sink.

Fun Facts

- California is the top poinsettia producing state.
- December 12 is National Poinsettia Day.
- 80% of poinsettias are purchased by women.
- 61 million plants were sold in 6 weeks in 2004.
- 74% of Americans still prefer red poinsettias.



For more information about saving water in your

Garden and Landscape:

[Click here](#)

Be A Water Saver

Try these water saving tips:

- ◆ Prune trees and other woody plants only when necessary. Pruning stimulates shoot growth, which increases water needs.
- ◆ In winter, water only when soil becomes dry.



**In January,
Watch for our series on
Composting**

Just add water and stir!

For upcoming events and classes:

[Statewide Gardening Classes](#)

For more information about gardening in California:

[California Gardening](#)

For more information about water wise plants:

[UC Davis Arboretum](#)

For water saving tips:

[Save Our Water](#)

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