

# CALIFORNIA 2023 MARKETING REPORT

PROVENWINNERS.COM

# **2024 NATIONAL PLANTS OF THE YEAR**



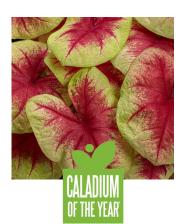
Petunia



Mythic™ Dragonite™ Alocasia melo

These 10 exceptional varieties were selected for the 2024 season. Proven Winners will be dedicating marketing resources towards building excitement and significant consumer demand of these varieties throughout 2024.





Heart to Heart® 'Lemon Blush' Caladium



'Pink Profusion' Salvia



Shadowland® 'Hudson Bay' Hosta



'Storm Cloud' Amsonia



Wine & Spirits™ Weigela



OSO Easy Peasy® Rosa



Let's Dance Sky View® Hydrangea



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# **2024 NATIONAL RECIPES OF THE YEAR**











**TOP AWARD WINNERS** 



Suncredible® Saturn™ Helianthus



Augusta™ Lavender Heliotrope



Supertunia Vista® Jazzberry® Petunia

#### THE GARDENER'S IDEA BOOK



450,000+ copies distributed nationally

12,267

distributed in California



#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

As of August 2023, our combined social media channels have achieved:



2023



14.25% Audience Growth

**6.4%**Facebook Engagement Rate

**Pinterest** 

2019

2020

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2M



106,393,098 Impressions



Instagram

2022

2021



95,616,143 Impressions



**Facebook** 



196,232,897 Impressions



#### Youtube



19,528,627 Impressions



**TikTok** 



New for 2023! Follow us:



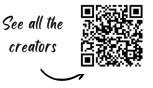
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#### **CONTENT CREATORS**

Laura from Garden Answer has been an integral part of Proven Winners® over the years. With **4 million+** followers on Facebook, her gardening videos teach current and new gardeners how to be successful with Proven Winners plants.

Proven Winners is working to partner with even more content creators to increase our brand awareness across a variety of social media platforms. Check out the full list and follow your favorites!





#### **BROADCAST & STREAMING MEDIA**

22.1M Impressions

Through geo-targeting, Proven Winners®is reaching consumers at home and on the road with digital, video and audio advertising campaigns. We reach consumers through Pandora, Spotify, iHeart, Hulu and more.

Our digital ads see click rates that are double the national average - meaning consumers are actively engaging and interested in our content.









### **CONSUMER PRINT ADS**

507,134

California Subscribers

# Find ads in these publications with over 7.9M subscribers:

- · Better Homes & Gardens
- Birds & Blooms
- · Canadian Living
- · Country Living
- Fine Gardening
- Garden Gate
- · HGTV magazine
- · Southern Living
- Veranda



#### 2024 featured products:

- Wine & Spirits® Weigela
- Let's Dance Sky View® Reblooming hydrangea
- Oso Easy Peasy® *Rosa*
- Purple Pillar® Hibiscus syriacus
- Jazz Hands® Loropetalum series
- Perfecto Mundo® Reblooming Azalea series
- Rise Up® Rosa series
- Reminiscent® Rosa series
- Let's Dance Can Do® Reblooming hydrangea
- Limelight Prime® Hydrangea
- Flavorette™ Honey-Apricot Rosa

### ONLINE

**7.2M** 

Visitors

Over **414,000 web visitors**were from California. On
average, visitors spent
approximately **3 minutes** on our site - 2

3 minutes on our site - 2 minutes longer than the national average!

#### **ON-DEMAND**

69,107

**Unique Listeners** 

Proven Winners®ColorChoice®
Shrubs' podcast, Gardening
Simplified, is available to stream
online.



Scan to listen

# OUT-OF-HOME

170M+

**Impressions** 

Our national billboard campaign covers **31 states** with static, digital and weather-triggered billboards.



Learn more

#### **FACEBOOK COMMUNITIES**



Proven Winners® Gorgeous Gardens

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The Gorgeous Gardens Facebook group provides 142,000+ consumers a space to share photos of their plants, ask questions and foster community with Proven Winners® enthusiasts. This past year, membership grew by 60% with an average of 104 posts per day during the spring season.



Connect with nearly 2,000 individuals and our retail team for tips and best practices for your garden center. Plus, find info on key programs, learn about launches for Certified and CONNECT+, and more! 回点数



Join now!

#### CONNECT+ MARKETING

California Retailers

CONNECT+ helps simplify marketing for over 1,600 independent garden centers.



Launched in 2023, CONNECT+ will be continuing to provide curated social media posts and campaigns through our premium subscriptions.

In 2023, independent garden centers enrolled in our enhanced or elite program achieved a combined 12.2M impressions.





#### **E-NEWSLETTERS**

498,000+

Consumers

Winners Circle subscribers grew by 25% in the last year. With a 13% open rate, our readers are staying engaged and educated.

7,130+

Retailers

Retailer News keeps garden centers up to date on trends, best practices, sneak peaks and more.

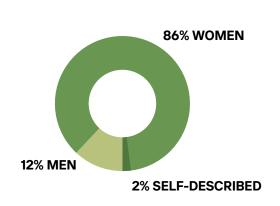


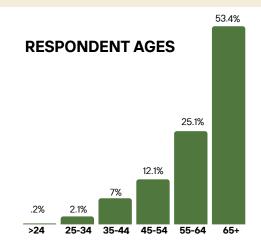


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#### **CONSUMER GARDEN INSIGHTS**

Key takeaways from the 2023 August Survey, **2,380** respondents







Most respondents visit garden centers **10-25 miles** away, but nearly **15%** are willing to drive **50+ miles** for the right plant.



**72%** visit **2-5** garden centers, with **22%** visiting **5 or more.** 

# TOOLS USED TO PLAN & INSPIRE PLANT CHOICES FOR THE NEXT SEASON:

27% The Gardener's Idea Book

18% Influencer Recommendations

15% Decide at the garden center

Proven Winners Facebook

**28%** Proven Winners Instagram, Pinterest or Idea Boards

#### **TOP CHALLENGES FOR GARDENERS:**



# TOP ANNUALS SOLD IN CALIFORNIA

\*Based on online sales



## TOP PERENNIALS SOLD IN CALIFORNIA

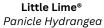
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# 12 BEST-SELLING SHRUBS









Sonic Bloom® Pink Weigela



At Last® Rose Rosa



Sprinter® Boxwood



Let's Dance Can Do!® Hydrangea



Bloomerang® Dark Purple Lilac



Bloomerang® Dark Purple Lilac



Incrediball® Hydrangea



**Limelight Prime®**Panicle Hydrangea



**Pugster Blue®** Butterfly Bush



Arctic Fire® Red Red-Osier Dogwood



Ginger Wine® Ninebark