

# **NEW BRUNSWICK** 2023 MARKETING REPORT

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# **2024 NATIONAL PLANTS OF THE YEAR**



Supertunia Vista® Jazzberry® Petunia



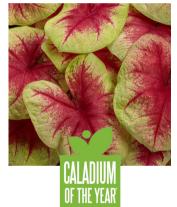
Mythic™ Dragonite™ Alocasia melo

#### 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.

> Learn More





Heart to Heart® 'Lemon Blush' Caladium



'Pink Profusion' Salvia



Shadowland® 'Hudson Bay' Hosta



'Storm Cloud' Amsonia



OF THE YEAR Wine & Spirits™ Weigela



SO Easy Peas Rosa



Let's Dance Sky View® Hydrangea



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# 2024 NATIONAL RECIPES OF THE YEAR







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Sunshine State

#### Polar Peach

## **TOP AWARD WINNERS**



Suncredible® Saturn™ Helianthus



Augusta™ Lavender Heliotrope



Supertunia Vista® Jazzberry® Petunia

# THE GARDENER'S IDEA BOOK



450,000+

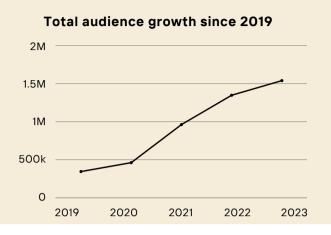
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distributed in New Brunswick



# SOCIAL MEDIA



Pinterest



106,393,098 Impressions



Instagram

95,616,143 Impressions



Facebook



196,232,897 Impressions



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



New for 2023! Follow us:



\*click or scan the QR codes to follow

# **CONTENT CREATORS**

Laura from Garden Answer has been an integral part of Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> 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!



19,528,627

Impressions



# **BROADCAST & STREAMING MEDIA**



Through geo-targeting, Proven Winners<sup>®</sup>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

1,093 New Brunswick 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

# ONLINE **1.1M**

Canadian Visitors

#### Over 19,500 web visitors

were from New Brunswick. On average, visitors spent approximately **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

#### 2024 featured products:

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

# OUT-OF-HOME

170M+

Our billboard campaign covers **6 provinces** with static, digital and weathertriggered billboards.



Learn more

# FACEBOOK COMMUNITIES



Proven Winners® Gorgeous Gardens

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!



# **CONNECT+ MARKETING**





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

+ Invite 👻

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+** 

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



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

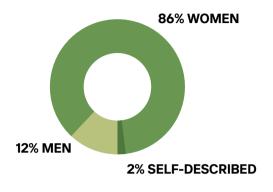




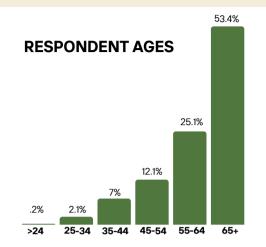
# **CONSUMER GARDEN INSIGHTS**

Key takeaways from the 2023 August Survey,

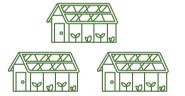
2,380 respondents





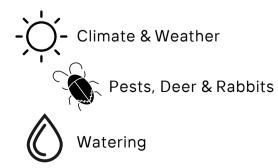


Most respondents visit garden centers **10-25 miles** away, but nearly **15%** are willing to drive **50+ miles** for the right plant.



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

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



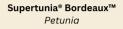
#### TOOLS USED TO PLAN & INSPIRE PLANT CHOICES FOR THE NEXT SEASON:

- **27%** The Gardener's Idea Book
- 18%
  - Influencer Recommendations
- **15%** Decide at the garden center
- 12% Proven Winners Facebook
- **28%** Proven Winners Instagram, Pinterest or Idea Boards

# **TOP ANNUALS SOLD**

\*Based on online sales







Petunia

Supertunia Vista® Bubblegum® Supertunia® Bermuda Beach® Petunia



Superbena® Red Verbena



Superbena® Peachy Keen Verbena



Supertunia® Royal Velvet® Petunia



Superbena® Coral Red Verbena



Supertunia Vista® Fuchsia Petunia



Supertunia Vista® Silverberry Petunia



Supertunia® Royal Magenta Petunia

# **TOP PERENNIALS SOLD**

\*Based on online sales



Shadowland® 'Autumn Frost' Hosta



'Cat's Pajamas' Nepeta



Amazing Daisies® 'Banana Cream II' Leucanthemum



'Cat's Meow' Nepeta



Shadowland® 'Echo the Sun' Hosta



Shadowland® 'Empress Wu' Hosta



'Dark Side of the Moon' Astilbe



Amazing Daisies® 'Banana Cream II' Leucanthemum



Rock 'N Grow<sup>®</sup> 'Back in Black' Sedum



Shadowland® 'Wu-La-La' Hosta

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# **12 BEST-SELLING SHRUBS**



Little Lime® Panicle Hydrangea



Sonic Bloom® Pink Weigela



At Last® Rose Rosa



Sprinter® Boxwood



Let's Dance Can Do!® Hydrangea



Bloomerang<sup>®</sup> Dark Purple Lilac



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Incrediball® Hydrangea



Limelight Prime® Panicle Hydrangea



**Pugster Blue®** Butterfly Bush



Arctic Fire® Red Red-Osier Dogwood



**Ginger Wine**® Ninebark