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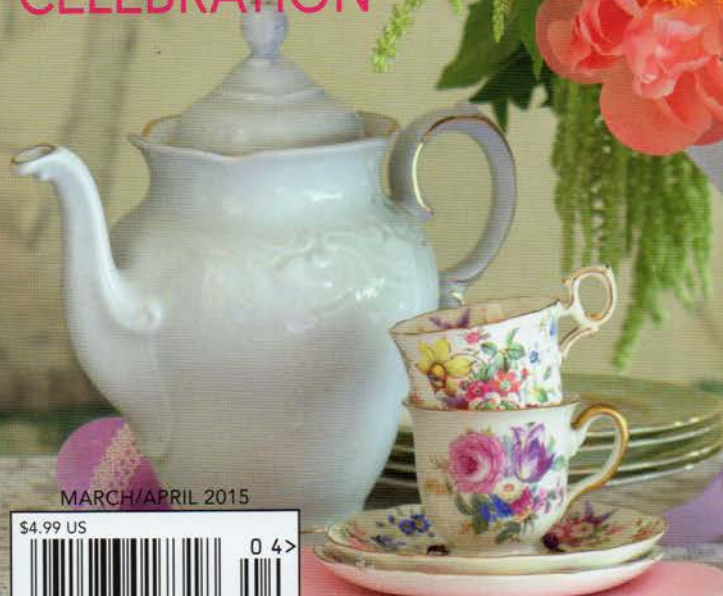
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Bunny Williams's Famed Garden Event



“THE SPIRIT HERE IS PHENOMENAL, AND NO WONDER—NOBODY WALKS AWAY FROM TRADE SECRETS WITHOUT FINDING A TREASURE.”

—Bunny Williams

a field brimming with botanicals and flowers, garden accessories, and advice bestowed by hand-picked vendors from points near and far.

Bunny hosted the first two-day initiative at her home and invited thirty-five merchants to set up shop. The concept grew by such leaps and bounds that nearby Lion Rock Farm graciously agreed to accommodate the sixty sellers who travel here annually with their wares. Last year, Trade Secrets raised \$230,000 for the charity.

For the discerning crowds, growers display their prime stock of rare perennials, alpines, annuals, tropicals, shrubs, vegetables, and herbs so alluringly that they are quickly chosen. To complement the beautiful greenery, antiques dealers, botanical artists, metal artisans, potters, and craftspeople supply everything from scarecrows to statuary. Whether buyers are

This page, clockwise from top left: Vendors bring their best merchandise, including painted wooden benches and glass cloches. Plant dealers such as Linden Hill Gardens, who travel all the way from Pennsylvania, sell pots of perennials. A row of scateurs is laid out on a rustic table. Antiques merchants contribute an intriguing selection of artwork featuring plants and wildlife.





This page, clockwise from above left: Customers browse a colorful grouping of garden ornaments, plant supports, and birdhouses suspended from tree branches. Beneath one of several tents on the property, stacks of wicker baskets and rows of chairs and pottery await perusal. Volunteers whisk purchases to pickup stations. Piles of linen pillows provide comfy accent pieces for outdoor furniture. Surrounded by handcrafted cement planters, an antique apothecary cabinet captivates with Old-World charm.

