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# April 2010

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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



## Greenhouse & Nursery

Greenhouse and nursery products were the #1 ranked Oregon commodity in 2008, with a value of \$880 million. The leading counties are Clackamas, Marion, Washington, Yamhill and Multnomah.

## ✓ Check it out!

**Online:** *Ag-citing Plant Experiments* (Grades K-6)

**On the Shelf:** *Cycling Back to Nature: Soils Alive!* - Instructional Unit (Grades 6-11)

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April Fool's Day

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Nat'l. Garden Month

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Volunteer to plant and maintain a garden at your town library.

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Easter

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90% of all Easter lilies in the U.S. are grown in Curry County.

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The month of April's name comes from the Roman word "aperire."

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*Aperire* means to open. April is when trees and flower buds open.

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Portland Rose Garden contains 10,000 plants on over four acres.

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The April flowers of the month are sweet peas and daisies.

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The spice saffron comes from the crocus flower.

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The name Iris means rainbow in Greek.

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The Capitol grounds have hundreds of trees, shrubs, and flowers.

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Oregon has over 430 nurseries.

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The Oregon Horticultural Society started in 1858.

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Lavender's name comes from the Latin word 'lavare' meaning to wash.

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Bulb is one of the few words that doesn't rhyme with anything.

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Daffodils signify chivalry and respect.

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Tulips continue to grow in water after they are cut.

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There are 1,000s of types of rhododendrons.

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Rhododendron, Azalea, Ferns, Ivy, and Laurel are all Oregon cities.

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A propagator works in a nursery growing plants from seeds and cuttings.

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Earth Day

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Hydroponics is the technique of growing plants in water.

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AgFest - Salem Fairgrounds 4/24-4/25

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The Bush Pasture Gardens greenhouse in Salem, circa 1882, is the oldest in Oregon.

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Ladybugs are loved by farmers and gardeners because they eat aphids.

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Garlic was once used to treat acne, warts and headaches.

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Radishes can be red, pink, white, or black.

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Some varieties of radishes grow to over 100 lbs.

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Arbor Day