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Adrienne's Arbor

From the Piedmont's fertile soil springs many questions...

By Adrienne Cook

The winter months provide the perfect time to tend to certain woodland and garden cleanup tasks difficult to dispense with during the growing season. There are reliably a handful of terrific warm days during these early months of the year and trees are bare and underbrush is at a minimum. Look for green. You'll see it in conifers, of course, but you'll also see it in some of the most offensive of the invasive plants—Japanese honeysuckle and English ivy. Go forth with a sharp knife or some really good pruning shears and a weed knife/grubber. [Read more...](#)

Landscaping Good Enough to Eat

On the eastern slopes of the Blue Ridge, gardeners and foodies converge

By Alexandra Greeley

When Ken Harnad, a professional chef who raises some of the food he uses, drives his tractor across his six-acre farm, he sees all around him the natural beauty of his trees and shrubs. He also sees something equally pleasing: ready-to-eat—and healthful—snacks. "When I'm mowing," he says, "I reach from the tractor and pick."

And why not, when your choices include quince, elderberry, apple, pear, walnut, currant, blueberry, gooseberry, Japanese persimmon, white cling peach, and eventually, fruit from his new mulberry tree? Harnad admits he's



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