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Now £39.99 plus £4.95 p&p

This lightweight specialised ash vacuum cleaner from Maxi Vac is perfect for ensuring that vour fireplaces, stove and BBQ are kept spotless. It has a high-performance replaceable HEPA filter, filling level indicator to show you when the tank needs emptying and a flexible metre-long hose to make cleaning up ash and dust easier, ensuring a perfect clean even in the hardest to

The powerful 800W motor makes light work of any debris, vacuuming quickly and efficiently. The ash is stored in a large bagless 15-litre tank, so no expensive replacement bags are needed. It also features a durable aluminium nozzle, HEPA filter and a dust tool to get into small crevices where dust can build up. Measures D28 x H35cm. Power cord length: 200cm. A spare HEPA filter is also available to purchase.

G2698 Ash Vacuum G2699 Spare HEPA Filter £6.99



## **FOUR BLADE STOVE FAN** Now £39.99 plus £4.95 p&p

This eco-friendly stove fan has no running costs whatsoever as it uses the heat from your stove to generate the power it needs. The fan is silent in operation and automatically starts and runs faster as the temperature increases.

For best results, the stove fan should be positioned facing forward at the rear of the stove top, as far away from the flue pipe as possible. Designed to be used on the top of freestanding woodstoves with a surface temperature between 65 and 350°C.

As the base of the fan heats up, it creates the electrical pulse that turns the blade on the fan. The greater the difference in temperature of the metals, the greater the electrical output. meaning that your fan turns faster the more the stove (and therefore the base of the fan) heats up. Clean with a soft damp cloth after the fan has cooled sufficiently. Dimensions: L15 x W9.5  $\,\mathrm{x}$ H22.5cm, Working temperature: 65-350°C.

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## Old tea's made for brewing black gold

Do I put tea leaves into leaf mulch or the compost? Billy Williams, Lincs **DAVID:** Yes, tea is perfect for the composter. You can also put torn-up newspaper in there, as well as leaves from the garden – anything organic that can be broken down. But always keep an eye on it to make sure the compost doesn't get too wet during the winter season.



## My fence needs more defence

>>> I put up a new fence but it's already looking silvery and tired What can I do? Daisy, via email **DAVID:** Fences are usually treated with preservative to make them last and most people like the silvery look. But you can add your own preservative – there are a lot of varieties and colours. Check it's secure, too. At this panel can take out the lot.

### **TIP** of the week Blanch extra Brussels sprouts and pop them in the freezer. They will last up to a year and can be thawed to use for your

Christmas dinner.

**GET IN TOUCH** For loads more hints and tips on gardening visit oney.com or follow me on Facebook at @DavidDomonevTV or on Twitter @daviddomonev

Make vour garden shine with our fabulous festive competition and you can win top prizes for brightening up your entire street

t's cold outside but gardens can still dazzle all through winter. And festive displays really give streets a lift on gloomy nights and shine a festive light on your spectacular shrubs and trees.

And now your displays can get the recognition they deserve, with the chance to win fabulous prizes in our new Illumination Street competition.

A decade ago, it was just a few hardy souls who went wild for Christmas. But with the advent of inexpensive, reliable LED lighting, gardens up and down the country are transformed into attention-grabbing winter wonderlands throughout December.

Some people ask for donations to charities, others are just happy to make their streets sparkle.

They can really cheer up communities as the nights draw in and anything that gets people out enjoying their gardens is a good thing.

With this in mind, Cultivation Street - the national campaign for community and school gardening – is today launching a sister campaign, llumination Street

## **COLOUR AT CHRISTMAS**

People often think that the use of their garden ends when summer does, but this just isn't true. Your garden has a wealth of goodness yet to give and, through this campaign, Britain's

## Planting in winter can be really striking if you are creative

communities are encouraged to get outside and participate in all that nature has to offer in the run-up to Christmas.

Garden planting at this time of year can look really striking.

You just need to get creative, be it in the form of a spectacular holly bush full of bright, seasonal berries or cheerful Skimmia 'Rubella', with its colourful buds.

And don't forget the eye-catching coloured flowers of winter cyclamen and winter-flowering violas and

Cheery gaultheria is also a festive favourite, with rich foliage and beiewelling berries. Or try Viburnum x bodnantense 'Dawn' by your back door, to get a blast of beautiful winter fragrance.

## **NATION INSPIRATION**

Adorn your garden greenery with some festive lighting and it will highlight these ornamental features for grabs, winners will be announced to passers-by on dark evenings. Not to coincide with National Illumina-

Illumination Street competition **Best Front Garden Outdoor** Display (Large) For gardens of all sizes with displays that are the main feature.

It doesn't matter how big your

garden is, you can enter our great

ILLUMINATION

STREET .+

Think festively festooned house fronts, shimmering sheds and twinkling trees - your garden is a canvas to bring Christmas cheer. Prizes: 1st wins £1,000, 2nd wins £500, 3rd wins £100

Best Front Garden Outdoor Display (Small) Focusing more on Christmas tree tactics, the small front garden.

only can your community benefit, it gives you a chance to enter Illumination Street's national competition sponsored by the UK's No 1 window and door company Safestyle UK.

With a £5,000 prize pot up

## THE CATEGO forward for the judges' top choice.

the judges will be keeping their eves

open for serious neighbourhood flair,

**Best Front Door Christmas Display** 

Spread festive cheer with homemade

Entrants are given two chances to

win a prize – submissions are entered

wreaths, festive door hangings and

garland-draped door frames.

for a public vote as well as going

Prizes: 1st wins £500, 2nd wins £250,

fun and frivolity

3rd wins £100

Glow your own

featuring modest displays with heart.

Imagine frost-tinted rockeries, fencing a-flicker with lights, sparkling patio pots and clever ways to brighten up dark corners and the smallest nook. Prizes: 1st wins £1.000, 2nd wins £500, 3rd wins £100

Best Community Christmas Display Awarded to the project with the finest demonstration of club camaraderie and community creativity.

Some may look like starry skies.

**STRIKING LIGHTING** 

anvone can enter.

tion Street Awareness Week, which those with an abundance of wildlife runs from December 9 to 15. And may need to buy LED lights with crafting the best Christmas display. warmer hues so the displays don't disturb garden creatures.

The campaign works in partnership Though outdoor lighting can look with garden-centre ambassadors and "Christmas lights are a great way to enchanting displays at our centre, so really remarkable, some gardens need can point you towards a centre near put that twinkle back into your garden! we can't wait to pass on that magic to extra advice and support. For instance, you to help answer your burning

windows into a winter wonderland. They could be illuminating ledges with lanterns, adorning sills with Arctic date is December 15, so don't miss out.

Judges' choice prize: 1st wins a new

our sponsor Safestyle UK

Public vote: 1st wins £100,

Best Children's Window Display

This Christmas the Best Children's

Window Display category encourages

displays where kids have crafted their

2nd wins £50

front door worth £1,500 courtesy of

Matt Lewis, one of the ambassadors

from The Old Railway Line Garden

questions and support you with including string, compact, cluster, connectable and character lights it can feel overwhelming.

embellishments or framing them in

12 years of age.

festive foliage. Entrants must be under

Judges' choice prizes: 1st wins £200,

10 runners-up win £25 each Public

vote: 1st wins £100, 2nd wins £50

There are loads of ways to make

gardens look great this winter - and

getting involved with this Christmas

campaign will make them dazzle. For

competition, plus ideas and blogs, you

can visit **illuminationstreet.com** - and

more information on entering the

share your images on social media

using #IlluminationSt. The closing

2nd wins £125, 3rd wins £75.

"Our staff have a real passion for Centre in Brecon, Powys, said: Christmas, with hours spent creating "With so many types to choose from our customers' gardens."

# of the week

Get your garden ready for Christmas with miniature standard holly trees. Unlike holly bushes, these are on 40cm stems with a bushy head that cannot become rampant

Holly aquifolium 'Argentea Marginata' has glossy green foliage with creamy edges and Holly 'Blue Angel' has dark green foliage. Both are self-fertile, producing masses of berries. Supplied on 35-40cm stem. Buy one of each variety for

£21.99 or both for £37.98, SAVING £6. Delivery within 28 days. To order by debit/credit card call

**0843 922 5000** quoting SMTG079 or send a cheque (using blue or black ink), payable to 'Garder Offers' to: Mirror Holly Trees Offer (SMTG079), PO Box 64, South West District Office, Manchester, M16 9HY



## Clearing the way for those cosy nights in

With more of us fitting fancy log-burners in our homes, storage has become an issue.

The Rutland County Langham najor log store can keep things in order. Its compact design means it can be erected next to the back doo for quick access to logs without aving to dash through rain or snow

Built from robust pressure-treated timber, it is easy to self-assemble. I found it for £84.99 in light green or rustic brown via **greenfingers.com**