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**ELECTRIC WEED BURNER**  
Now £29.99 plus £4.99 p&p

This weed burner is the ideal solution for controlling weeds. It's an excellent alternative to weed killer and much better for the environment, leaving your garden clear of weeds and remaining safe for children and pets to play in.

It works by transmitting bursts of heat which result in the plant cells dying from root to tip, without the use of dangerous flames. Simply plug in the long 5m power cord into your mains and relax knowing you're getting the job done safely and economically.

There are two temperature settings on the weed burner which work in conjunction with the directive cone to give precise weed control in seconds. It comes with a handy built-in retractable stand that locks into place when not in use allowing you to stand the weed burner off the ground when hot and protecting it from getting damaged.

The clever compact design also features a removable handle to allow for easy storage whilst not in use. Measures: L101 x W8 x H10cm.  
**G2350** Electric Weed Burner



**GARDEN PUSH VACUUM, BLOWER AND SHREDDER**  
Now £119.99 plus £4.99 p&p

Keep your garden clear of leaves and debris with this powerful 1800W machine from Garden Gear.

It has lots of great features to make life easier, including a large 45-litre collection bag which easily clips on and off for quick emptying, and four easily-adjusted height options to suit the volume of debris you need to clear.

This great three-in-one machine allows you to quickly swap between vacuuming, blowing and the mulching function to shred the collected leaves. There's safety trigger allowing you to cut off the power if needed.

Measures: L88 x W42.5 x H101.5cm. Weight: 10kg. Power cord length: 10m.

A spare collection bag is also available to purchase.  
**G4080** Push Vacuum, Blower and Shredder  
**G4081** Spare Collection Bag £12.99

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# DIG IN



with DAVID DOMONEY

## Q&A



**Your roof booster for a shed start on wet winter weather**

I'm prepping my garden to deal with wind and rain. How should I protect my shed though?  
Alison Oliver, Portsmouth

**You don't want a leaky shed roof in winter, so reduce the risk by cutting branches hanging over it. This will stop them from snapping, falling and causing damage. Also, an all-weather roof coat could be a useful addition, or refelt the roof if it is damaged.**



**Counting the many ways you should praise raised beds**

What are the benefits of raised beds in the garden?  
Sam, via email

**They are useful structures to have because they improve drainage, which reduces the risk of waterlogging, and they also allow you to add a new soil type to your garden to suit what you want to plant. They are also perfect for improving access if you have restricted mobility and let you grow all year round.**

## TIP of the week

**Use bubble wrap around pots and containers to protect them against frost and keep plant roots safe from the harsh winter weather.**



**BRIGHT IDEA**  
Dave Nutt's winning effort last year



**WICKED SWITCH**  
Small display runner up

Christmas has been on everyone's mind this week, with worries that we might not be seeing our loved ones. So there is more reason than ever to spread some cheer where you can.

Over the past seven months, millions of people have turned to their gardens and local outdoor spaces for respite and solace. And you can continue that into winter.

My brilliant Illumination Street campaign, which we launched last year, is picking up today where our Cultivation Street contest left off, inspiring Brits to make the most of the outdoors.

It's all about using gardens as the foundation for a festive fountain of colour and light.

Illumination Street, supported this year by the British Garden Centre group, gives everyone the chance to showcase their efforts and encourage others outdoors.

We have £5,000 worth of British Garden Centre group gift vouchers to be won for the very best efforts.

So pretty soon gardens will go from blooms to (light) bulbs, with the festive season upon us.

Entries last year were stunning and a real testament to community spirit. Illumination Street Week will take place from December 7 to 13, encouraging people to share their displays across social media.

Last year we saw some incredible entries, many helping charities as well as making passersby smile. Hundreds of thousands of pounds was raised through Illumination Street displays.

Dave Nutt, of Sutton Coldfield, West Mids, the 2019 Small Front Garden Display winner, said: "I have done lights on the house for more



**TUNNEL VISION** Third prize in the large category

than 35 years. I was diagnosed with leukaemia in 2015 so I started raising money for the charity."

We know garden sowing isn't a top priority in December - but what about glowing? And there are many ways to brighten things up with simple decorations.

You could entwine lights through the trellis or around the canes to add a magical element to your garden. Or try adorning fences or walls in a similar fashion. If you don't have outside power, try solar power instead.

## THE CATEGORIES

There are categories in Illumination Street to suit everyone.

Transform your front lawn into a Santa's Grotto for the Large Outdoor

**BEST BULBS**  
Big winner for a large display last winter



**Our Illumination Street competition kicks off today, and by making your home dazzle, you could pick up big prizes while spreading fun**



# Give it a glow

Display category, where you can win your share of £1,600 worth of British Garden Centre group gift vouchers.

This category is for the 'go big or go home' type, the eye-catchers of the street who bring wonder to all who walk past. First prize: £1,000, second: £500, third: £100.

The Small Outdoor Display category is for those who want a more subtle yet equally breathtaking approach. Whether your garden is dripping with string lights, or you have a smaller display with Santa on his sleigh, you can take home some big prizes for your small display.

First prize: £1,000, second prize: £500, third prize: £100.

What can really make an impact is a neighbourhood coming together and decorating the outside of their homes to fit a special theme. If this sounds up your street, then Best Community Display category is for you. Last year

we even saw entrants featuring more than 40 consecutive bright and beautiful houses, as well as community gardens transformed into winter wonderlands.

If you're all in it together, enter this category. First prize: £500, second: £250, third: £100.

The Best Front Door category is for those who put that extra bit of sparkle into their welcome. We want to see how the nation blings up their doors



**WATT A WELCOME** Best front door and community

with wreaths and decorations to make it a focal point for Christmas displays.

This category offers you two chances to win - not only do we put the shortlisted entries to the judging panel, we also allow the public to vote on them.

Judges' verdict first prize: £100, second: £50, third: £25. Public vote first prize: £100, second: £50, third: £25.

Last but not least is the Best Children's Display. We're asking you to

get your children involved in creating a magical Christmas display.

We want to feel the magic of the season from those who love it most, the little ones. Let their imaginations run wild - we can't wait to see what they come up with.

As with the previous category there are two chances to win. Judges' verdict first prize: £100, second: £75, third: £50 and 10 runners-up prizes of £25. Public vote first prize: £100, second: £50 and third: £25.

Illumination Street entries are open today and close on December 13 at midnight. We can't wait to see the dazzling displays you create.

To enter yours, visit [illuminationstreet.com](http://illuminationstreet.com), where you'll find fun Christmas resources too. Good luck.



## OFFER OF THE WEEK

New for 2020, Gardenia 'Golden Crown' is a premium Cape Jasmine that adds fragrance and elegance to the summer garden.

The first stable Gardenia jasminoides with golden variegated foliage, it produces beautiful double white flowers. Its busy but compact habit makes it ideal for patio pots. Supplied as 9cm pot plants.

Buy one Gardenia 'Golden Crown' for £13.99, or order two for only £19.98 and save £8. Allow up to 28 days for delivery.

To order by debit/credit card call **0843 922 5000** quoting **SMTG172** or send a cheque payable to Garden Offers, in blue or black ink, to Gardenia Golden Crown Offer (SMTG172), PO Box 64, South West District Office, Manchester, M16 9HY, or visit [mirrorgardenoffers.co.uk](http://mirrorgardenoffers.co.uk)

## GADGET



A fire pit is a lovely addition to a patio and now's a great time to buy. They are perfect for cosying up next to on autumn evenings, keeping you outside for longer. I found this Dakota steel fire pit for £106.99 via wayfair.co.uk

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