



LOUIE'S MENIFEE NOW

Fountain & Statuary Edition

Welcome to the Louie's Nursery Menifee newsletter! We are wrapping up a wonderful growing season here in zone 9, and there's still plenty of time left for fall planting of perennials and trees! Planting now allows for healthy root development, so that your plants have a head start come spring!

In this edition, we are going to highlight fountains and statuary, an amazing landscaping element that can add so much charm and aura to your outdoor spaces! We have a large selection of these stone elements, and would be happy to show you what we can special order as well! Happy planting!



LANDSCAPING WITH FOUNTAINS AND STATUARY: ADDING ELEGANCE AND CHARACTER TO OUTDOOR SPACES

Few landscape features have the ability to transform a garden as quickly and completely as fountains and statuary. Water features bring movement, sound, and a sense of tranquility, while well-placed statuary provides focal points, balance, and personality. When combined thoughtfully, these elements can elevate a garden from ordinary to extraordinary.



Why Add Fountains and Statuary?

- **Ambiance and relaxation:** The sound of flowing water creates a calming atmosphere and masks unwanted noise, whether from traffic or neighbors.
- **Visual focal points:** A statue or fountain draws the eye, anchoring a space and giving structure to a landscape design.
- **Symbolism and character:** Statuary often reflects a homeowner's style, whether classical, whimsical, modern, or spiritual.
- **Wildlife appeal:** Birds and pollinators are naturally attracted to fountains, enriching the garden ecosystem.

Choosing the Right Fountain

The best fountain balances proportion, style, and function with the surrounding space:

- Scale matters. A large tiered fountain makes a statement in a courtyard, while a simple bubbling urn fits better in a small garden.
- Style harmony. Match the design to your home's architecture (Mediterranean homes pair well with terracotta or stone, while modern homes shine with sleek geometric fountains.)
- Placement. Position fountains where they can be enjoyed from multiple viewpoints, such as patios, entryways, or framed by garden paths.



Integrating Statuary into the Landscape

Statuary works best when thoughtfully placed and supported by the surrounding environment:

- Focal points: Use a single striking statue as a centerpiece, whether framed by hedges, placed at the end of a walkway, or highlighted by uplighting at night.
- Subtle accents: Smaller figures, urns, or decorative pedestals can be tucked into plant beds to add depth and surprise.
- Balance and proportion: Avoid cluttering the space. A few well-chosen pieces have more impact than many competing ones.

Plant Pairings and Surroundings

- Soft plantings. Surround fountains or statuary with ornamental grasses, flowering perennials, or low groundcovers to create contrast and soften hard edges.
- Seasonal interest. Evergreen shrubs keep the display attractive year-round, while seasonal blooms add changing highlights.
- Pathways and seating. Consider how visitors will approach and experience the feature, add benches or stepping stones to encourage interaction.



Maintenance Considerations

- Water quality. Keep fountains clean and free of algae buildup. Circulating pumps require regular checks.
- Material care. Stone and metal statuary may need occasional sealing or polishing, while resin pieces benefit from protection against UV exposure.
- Winter prep. In climates with freezing temperatures, draining fountains and covering delicate statuary prevents cracking and damage.

Final Thoughts

Here at Louie's Nursery Menifee, we have a vast selection of fountains and statuary for every style, preference, and interest. Plus, if there's anything from our suppliers that we do not have in-store, we can special order it just for you! One of our sales associates would be happy to help with this entire process. Not sure how a fountain would look in your space? We also offer digital design services that can help you visualize fountains in your space for a small charge. Please visit our store for more information! Landscaping with fountains and statuary is about balance, bringing together water, art, plants, and structure to create a space that feels timeless and personal. Whether you prefer the grandeur of a tiered fountain, the quiet charm of a bubbling basin, or the elegance of classical sculpture, these elements infuse your garden with life, movement, and character that grows more beautiful over time. 🌿