

At Home in Breckenridge

Spring Gardening in the High Country

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It's going to snow this week, so, like a glutton for disappointment, I hurried out to Alpine Gardens in Silverthorne to buy flowers to plant in my hanging baskets.

It's still cold, so I used some restraint and only got enough for three baskets or Red-Wave petunias and other flowers that Sherrie, the owner of [Alpine Gardens](#), recommended.

It's so nice to have a locally owned nursery that cares if the plants are meant for our environment -- or not. Not everything will grow well at 9,600 feet above sea level.

I want to make sure I can show all my blog readers great views from the deck this summer, so these are going to be babied, and more will be forthcoming. I can't wait for warmer weather.

While I was in Alpine Gardens, kids were planting what Sherrie calls 'window box fairy gardens'. She is standing, wearing red and a nice gardening smock, in first photo.

Alpine Gardens is also working with Dillon Valley Elementary to build a garden that the students can tend, and helping the Summit Prevention Alliance with the greenhouse project at the Senior Center in Frisco.

When you see the [YouTube](#) video of the constructions -- and snow is falling in front of the camera -- you can see why a greenhouse will be very useful in Summit County.



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