



Current Project

Summertime is here and that means its patio time. Marvin and his crew, Rafael and Mario just put together another Naturescapes masterpiece. The homeowner had a small unused and undeveloped space behind the house and adjacent to the deck which was the perfect size for what they wanted to do. The components of this project included a central fire pit with sitting space all the way around, access to the area from both the deck and the driveway, visual interest, and drainage to handle surface run-off. Access was limited so we had to remove an existing retaining wall and excavate soil to get machines and materials into the work space. In this instance we had to start at the far point and work our way backwards to completion. The components were assembled in complimentary fashion and the finish product is fantastic. We enjoyed the opportunity to make a big impact in a small space.



Good And Bad Bugs
 TO HAVE IN YOUR GARDEN

Just because a pest is outside, **doesn't mean it can't cause damage.** Pests can easily destroy your landscaping and are especially detrimental to gardens with flowers, herbs, produce, and other plants. **Let's** learn what bugs wreak havoc on something you have likely spent a lot of time tending to: your garden. Keep reading to learn what common garden pests are bad as well as which bugs and insects can actually do the pest control for you!

Bad Garden Pests

- Red Spider Mites
- Gall Mites
- Codling Moth Larvae
- Vine Weevils
- Sawfly Larvae

Pest Controlling Bugs

- Lady Bugs
- Aphid Midges
- Minute Pirate Bugs
- Braconid Wasps
- Ground Beetles

Take a moment to 'google' these pest to learn more about the good, the bad and the ugly.

Mile of Flowers

On Friday, June 28, the Blowing Rock Garden Club will host its sixth bi-annual Mile of Flowers, giving participants a chance to explore several public and private gardens in downtown Blowing Rock. The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Memorial Park Gazebo and end at 4 p.m. In addition to the garden tours, there will be gardening demonstrations at various locations throughout the day, and a boutique in the fellowship hall of Ruple Memorial Presbyterian Church with a variety of vendors offering plants, and garden and nature themed products.

Visit www.blowingrock.com/mile-of-flowers for more information.



Happy Father's Day