

It's starting to get wild around here and we love it. We have a little bit of everything going on at the nursery right now. Typically, February is a slower time for us; not this year however. As I write this, we are almost 50% done with shipping. We built a strong momentum throughout digging and grading, which has allowed us to maintain our resolve right into shipping. The momentum has everyone operating with admirable efficiency as they are pushed to stay on top of their game.

We are about 85% of the way through propagation, as well as, container and field grafting. The field crews have been hard at work in the elements, pruning and tapping the 2 YR top trees. We have almost finished our #7 gallon planting and will be starting our #3 gallon planting next week. Propagation has also begun planting our babies for future production. Our next big task, here at the nursery, will be cutting back cuttings and seedlings to carefully stake; creating future quality trees. We have some exciting new ideas to make this more efficient and to ensure the highest quality product that we can deliver.

We still have some great products on our availability. Take some time to look it over and see what will fit your needs. I wish for everyone a great upcoming growing season. Thank you for partnering with Robinson Nursery to meet your liner needs. If there is anything that we can do to continue growing your expectations, please don't hesitate to contact us.

- Chris Robinson



Check out this month's issue of *Digger Magazine* to find Peter Szymczak's article "Meet the Leader" featuring our very own Josh Robinson!

<http://www.diggermagazine.com/meet-the-leader-josh-robinson/>



FEATURED PLANTS:

CHIONANTHUS RETUSIS CHINESE FRINGE TREE



It's hard to conceive a more beautiful small tree. After the leaves have emerged, lovely fragrant white flowers appear at the terminal of branches. Flowers remain for 2-3 weeks. They cover the outside of the canopy, thus the common name:

Fringe Tree. Pest free and disease free. Leaves turn yellow in the fall. This beautiful tree does best in part shade/part sun, but will grow well in full sun. Robinson Nursery offers Chionanthus retusus in GRL™



SYRINGA RETICULATA JAPANESE TREE LILAC

Easily grown in average, medium moisture, well-drained soil this low maintenance lilac offers the best blooms in full sun. Showy, fragrant, creamy white flowers bloom in upright



panicles in late spring to early summer; later than most other lilac species. Good tolerance for urban conditions and no diseases or pests of significance; including a resistance to powdery mildew, borers, and scales. Robinson Nursery is currently offering Syringa reticulata multi-stem GRL™

