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Jo-da Bonsai Distributors

For full details of stock, prices of bonsai in pots or bags and all types of accessories

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Father's Day long weekend trading hours:

Jo-Da Bonsai will be open from Saturday 14th to Wednesday 18th of June for the Father's day long weekend and public holiday.



FATHER'S DAY SPECIALS:

Both Brandmuller's Garden Pavilion in Vereeniging and Jo-Da Bonsai Dunnottar will have specials on bonsai and accessories for sale for Father's Day.

Starting Tuesday 10th – Monday 16th June

FOR SALE.

Bonsai Private Collection.

Apology; most of the evergreens were sold before being able to put them up for "Bid and Buy". The deciduous ones are not looking good for photographing now.

BONSAI WORKSHOP

There will be a workshop on Sat 14 June 10:00 – 12:00 at Brandmullers Garden Pavilion in Vereeniging.

Demo: 'Styling: conceptual styling of 5 potential bonsai in bags' Cost: R50 Please book. Call 016 428-3351 or John 083 742 2238

What's New at Jo-da Bonsai Distributors

Bonsai Pots:

More stock received with others due in July ready for the potting and re-potting season. The current stock is made up of mixed glazed colours and unglazed, including terra cotta. Sizes from 10cm to 90cm. Shapes: rectangle, oval, fluted, lotus, round, cascade and semi, forest etc. Priced from R40 to R800.

Also plastic and fibreglass pots available, visit our website www.jodabonsai.co.za for details.

Plastic Bonsai Pots: 20 x 15 x 6cm deep, brown at R50 and others on special.

Bonsai mix and additives:

For the forth coming season we have prepared and put out an extensive range of Bonsai soil and mixes with all the necessary additives, i.e. washed river sand, klinker, imported peat moss, compost, top soil etc. especially for potting and re-potting your bonsai.

Thermometers: Max/Min in degrees Celsius, suitable for indoors and outdoors @ R95.

Frost guard:

Available in 3, 6 and 10 meter lengths by three meters wide.



WHAT TO DO DURING JUNE.



Apology: May's newsletter error, should read May not April. As suspected we are having a few weeks with warm days, but cold mornings. Watch out after the full moon on the 13th of June for frost. In winter deciduous bonsai are dormant, even with evergreens not much growth occurs. This is the time for contemplation. Leafless bonsai can be studied in detail, major pruning and corrective styling can be carried out plans made for wiring for the coming season. Also a time for gaining inspiration and learning from trees growing in the bush, Bonsai soil mixtures prepared with additives. Selection of more appropriate pots made and acquired where necessary. Do not attempt to bend and wire dormant deciduous bonsai, branches became very brittle when the sap has receded into the roots and not flowing. Do not be alarmed, many of the conifers will start changing colour and appear burnt or desiccated. This reaction is due to the cold and quite natural, their natural colour will revert back to their normal deep green when the temperature starts to rise.

**Caring for Bonsai, demands attention like a baby except it's left at home!!
Don't forget to water!!**

JO-DA BONSAI TRADING:

**PLEASE NOTE BUSINESS HOURS
9H00 TO 16H00
OPEN SATURDAY, SUNDAY,
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY.
CLOSED EVERY SECOND
SATURDAY OF THE MONTH**



BRANDMULLER'S Garden Pavilion

Passionate about Gardening

What we offer and about us:

We stock a full range of decorative and fruiting trees, both indigenous and exotic, roses, flowering seedlings, herbs, vegetables plus organics and insecticides for the garden and indoors, ornamental pots, pebbles etc. Indoor plants are stocked together with décor items, artificial flowers, gardening books and magazines and all the free advice you require. For the Bonsai enthusiast or professional we have added stunning bonsai in pots, potential bonsai in bags with all the imported & local accessories necessary for this therapeutic hobby, striving to become one of the major dealers. We are situated on a 5 acre stand just north of Vereeniging. The entire sales area is housed under a shade net structure which provides not only hail protection but also a comfortable shopping experience with most of the plants raised off the floor between concrete pathways.

Brandmullers strives to offer excellent quality backed by years of experience, giving personal attention to all your gardening needs. This year in September, we celebrate our 64th Birthday. We support various charities especially the local S.P.C.A. We were awarded a Gold certificate in this year's Garden Centre Association (GCA) Competition and are now ranked amongst the top 15 GCA garden centres nationwide. We service Vereeniging and surrounds, with customers even coming from Johannesburg as well as further afield, especially for weekend getaways or for that special plant as we are open 7 days a week.

Why not come and enjoy a cup of delicious coffee and snacks at the SPOONS Coffee Shop. Sitting under the massive branches of a Pin Oak spanning some 40 meters, you quickly forget all your sorrows and soak up nature. SPOONS are fastidious in providing you with sumptuous and delicately prepared meals. Their famous "High Teas" are really a treat with crockery your grandmother would be proud of. Even your kiddies birthday, with a playground and jungle gym for their entertainment.

HISTORY:

"Brandmullers is synonymous with Vereeniging".

The Brandmuller family certainly has green blood in their veins. Ernst Brandmuller and his father Otto worked for Sammy Marks as foresters at Maccauvlei, (the site of today's Lethabo power station). They grew apples for export to Convent gardens in London and also exported *platana* frogs to Germany and were paid in acorn tree seeds. These were the seeds which eventually grew to create the Maccauvlei Forest on the outskirts of Vereeniging. In those days truffles could be picked there.

In the late 1940's a dozen Pin Oaks were brought from Maccauvlei by ox wagon to the Brandmuller homestead; adjacent to the Garden Centre where they still stand majestically today. The Pin Oak at Spoons Coffee Shop was grown from an acorn taken from one of these trees. Ernst and Otto left a legacy of over six million trees planted along the banks of the Vaal River and surrounds. This garden centre is now run by Otto's granddaughter Friedel and great granddaughter Michele.

Where to find us:

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Enclosed parking with a car guard in attendance.
Conference and meeting rooms available on enquiry.
Wheelchair friendly surface with wheelchairs available.

SPOONS Coffee Shop: Thelmay 016 428-3311