

Recycling Plastic Nursery Containers

Often gardeners find themselves with an abundance of nursery containers after planting time. They pile up in garages and sheds, or are tossed out with the garbage. We recently checked with many of the nurseries in our area (Clark County, Washington) and found that the following will accept used pots. Please note the restrictions below each site.

- Cedar Mill Nursery, 7520-B NE 219th St., Battle Ground
They will accept 1 gallon black plastic pots or larger. Please wash out before bringing in.
- Keyser's Greenhouse and Nursery, 8637 NE 199th St., Battle Ground
They will accept all, except the small, thin plastic six packs. They prefer 4" or larger pots.
- Cascade Greenhouse, 2201 NE 112th Ave., Vancouver
They will accept 4" pots and larger.
- Kasch's Garden Centers, 6924 E Fourth Plain, Vancouver
They will accept 1 gallon and larger pots, and also the plastic flats.
- Shorty's Nursery Inc., 10006 SE Mill Plain, Vancouver and 705 NE 199th St., Ridgefield.
They will accept 1 gallon and larger pots
- Collector's Nursery, 16804 NE 102nd Ave., Battle Ground, Washington
They will accept all flats and pots, except broken ones. The [2002 catalog](#) is now on-line.

If your favorite nursery is not on this list, it might be worth a call to find out if they will accept pots. Several nurseries contacted indicated that they prefer not to deal with them. Those who will would prefer that you at least wash out the pots, and not include any of the small tags.