Hopkins County Horticulture Fall Update OCTOBER 2025





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October

- Oct. 10: Hort Book Club 12-1 Project Room Join us as we read and discuss Jane Goodall's book, Seeds of Hope!
 - Oct. 18: Fall Plant, Bulb, and Seed Swap 10-12
 - Oct. 20: Fall Color 5:30-6:30

Learn about how and why leaves change color every fall and what trees produce which color leaves.

 Oct 21: Spiders of KY 12-1 Zoom Discover the types of spiders found in Kentucky, both indoors and outdoors.

November

 Nov. 14: Hort Book Club 12-1 Project Room Join us as we read and discuss

Jane Goodall's book, Seeds of Hope!

- Nov. 17: Berries for Wildlife 5:30-6:30 Discover various trees and shrubs that offer nourishing berries for birds.
 - Nov. 18 Moths of KY 12-1 Zoom Learn about moths native to Kentucky - their

lifecycle, caterpillar

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stage, and host plants.

All Horticulture classes, unless otherwise noted, will be held in the Extension Office Education Center, Room C. Please use entrance 7.

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Sorghum Gingerbread Pear Muffins

1 cup whole-wheat flour 1/2 teaspoon baking powder 1/2 teaspoon baking soda 1/2 teaspoon ground

cinnamon

½ teaspoon ground ginger ¼ teaspoon salt 1 egg ½ cup buttermilk 1/2 cup sorghum syrup 1/2 cup unsweetened applesauce 1 pear, peeled, cored,

and diced

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
Grease 12 muffin cups or line with paper liners. In a mixing bowl,
combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon, ginger, and salt. In a separate bowl, mix together the egg, buttermilk, sorghum syrup and applesauce until smooth. Add the egg mixture to the flour mixture and combine until the batter is just moistened. Gently fold in the diced pears. Fill the muffin cups with the

mixture. They will be full. **Bake** in the preheated oven until a toothpick inserted in the center of a muffin comes out clean, about 20 minutes.

Yield: 12 muffins. Serving size, one muffin.

Nutritional Analysis: 90 calories, 1g fat, 0g saturated fat, 0g trans fat, 15mg cholesterol, 140mg sodium, 20g carbohydrate, 2g fiber, 13g total sugars, 10g added sugars, 2g protein

Kentucky Sweet Sorghum

SEASON: September to mid-November

NUTRITION FACTS: One tablespoon of sorghum syrup has 60 calories, no fat, 15 grams of added sugar. It also has minerals such as potassium and iron.

SELECTION: The juice of sweet sorghum (Sorghum bicolor) is extracted from the plant's stalks. Stalks are crushed, and the extracted juice is cooked down to a thick, sticky syrup.

STORAGE: Store at room temperature in an airtight container.

PREPARATION: Sorghum syrup can be used in the same way honey is used. It adds sweetness to items such as oatmeal, biscuits, tea, or baked beans. It can also be used in baked goods.

SWEET SORGHUM

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