



The Member Tested seal is awarded to the following products, which our testers recommend to fellow Club members

The National Home Gardening Club constantly seeks out new products for use in the Club's "Member Tested" program. And while our members look forward to trying out and reporting on the products they've received, manufacturers appreciate this opportunity to have real gardeners test their products. Those products that are recommended by at least two-thirds of our testers earn the right to display our seal of approval.

If you would like to become an official tester, you must complete a Product Test Profile form. To request a form, call Member Services at 800-324-8454.

Testers are selected based on several criteria: When form is received; the product being tested, and the member's skills and interests. Once chosen, testers are required to complete and return a report form on the product tested. The tester keeps the product free of charge. At least 67 percent of testers need to recommend a product for it to receive the Member Tested & Recommended seal.

member tested

Ratings: 4=excellent, 3=good, 2=fair, 1=poor



Tester Ratings	
Ease of Use	4.0
Instructions	4.0
Performance	3.5
Safety	4.0
Value	3.0

Shredder/Chipper

Kathy King, Ocean View, NJ:
"The Mighty Mac is very powerful for its size, is easy to use, and shreds 3½-inch branches into ¼-inch chips without bogging down. I highly recommend it."

Donna Quiett, Barker, NY: "This product helped clean up branches that otherwise would have been burned. It neatly cleaned up the yard and the result will be faster compost."

This Shredder/Chipper (\$1,500), model has an 8-hp Briggs & Stratton engine that chips 3½-inch logs and shreds mountains of leaves, cornstalks, and garden vegetation into mulch. MacKissic, Inc., (610)495-7181.

Schultz Iron Green

Sandra Crawley, Pikeville, TN: "After four days I could see a difference in my iris and white pine. I will definitely use this product again."

Pat Boris, Euclid, OH: "My mandevilla was turning yellow. After one application and a week's time, no more yellow leaves. It also worked great on my clematis."

Iron Green (\$6) promotes fast green-up for yellowing leaves. It supplies iron and nitrogen (8-0-0) in a readily available form for feeding through roots and leaves. Schultz Company, (314)298-2700; www.schultz.com



Tester Ratings	
Ease of Use	3.8
Instructions	3.8
Env. Impact	3.1
Mfg. Claims	3.9
Value	3.2



Bacopa 'Olympic Gold'

Darla Kohmann, Houma, LA: "This plant is very easy to grow and appears to be heat and drought resistant. The best feature is the small, attractive white flowers."

Carol Smith, Evansville, IN: "The trailing properties of Bacopa are excellent for window boxes, and the small blooms are beautiful."

Tester Ratings	
Packaging	3.1
Instructions	2.9
Performance	3.8
Plant Health	3.8
Value	3.9

Bacopa 'Olympic Gold' (\$3.50 per 4-inch pot) displays a combination of gold and green variegated foliage and white flowers. It brightens locations in partial or full shade. EuroAmerican Propagators, (760)731-6029; www.euroamprop.com

11,982 members tested products for November/December '00