

Spring is in full bloom in Cottleville



It won't be long until the spring holidays are in full swing. Valentine's Day, Easter and Mother's Day are all on the horizon – and **The Flower Stop** in Cottleville is ready.

"We have a reputation for having a large selection of long-lasting fresh flowers. I have people coming in all the time telling me that their flowers are lasting three weeks or more," said shop owner Kristi Stocklausner. "But we're also a destination for home decor, custom centerpieces and wreaths in silk, and gifts for all ages at very reasonable prices."

One of the shop's most popular items is its assortment of Milk House candles. Made from pure beeswax and natural soy wax, the candles come in scents that range from fruity and floral to gourmand and masculine. The Flower Stop's new Candle Club allows customers to earn a free candle after purchasing 10.

Candles are not the shop's only bright spot. Home decor this spring is also showing up in fresh, vibrant colors. After years of neutrals, the new palette is a welcome change.

"Nothing brightens up your home or mood more than a burst of color," Kristi said. "It may not be warm in February, but even if it's still chilly out, it's a great time to come out and get an early jump on spring."

For customers looking for spring silks, Kristi noted that centerpieces and wreaths can be created in four to five days for most orders, especially early in the season.

"Stop in and explore all we have to offer if only to brighten your mood after all this snow," Kristi invited.



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