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**Alternative Holiday Plants**

Today on Gardening in a Minute: alternative holiday plants.

It's no secret that poinsettias make great holiday plants, but why not try something different this winter?

Many attractive holiday plants can be found in floral shops, supermarkets, and garden centers in November and December.

Amaryllis can be purchased as a bulb or a plant, and will produce large, beautiful white, pink, or red flowers.

These shades can also be found in Rieger begonia blooms. This begonia has dark-green leaves and incredibly vibrant flowers.

Gloxinia, a close relative of the African violet, has dark green fuzzy leaves, and large, bell-shaped blooms in reds, purples, and pinks.

For a foliage plant, try Stromanthe 'Triostar.' It has green and white leaves with bold red undersides.

Dress up these and other plants by placing them in festive containers.

For more information about holiday plants, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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