



The Twelve Herbal Days of Christmas

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On the first day of Christmas, my true love gave to me a partridge in a bay tree

On the second day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the third day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the fourth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the fifth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the sixth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me
6 sprigs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the seventh day of Christmas, my true love gave to me

7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the eighth day of Christmas,
my true love gave to me 8 bulbs of fennel,
7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the ninth day of Christmas,
my true love gave to me 9 ginger rhizomes,
8 bulbs of fennel,
7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the tenth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me 10 borage blossoms,
9 ginger rhizomes,
8 bulbs of fennel,
7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the eleventh day of Christmas, my true love gave to me 11 all spice berries,
10 borage blossoms,
9 ginger rhizomes,
8 bulbs of fennel,
7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

On the twelfth day of Christmas, my true love gave to me 12 pods of garlic

11 all spice berries,
10 borage blossoms,
9 ginger rhizomes,
8 bulbs of fennel,
7 chili peppers,
6 springs of parsley,
5 star anise,
4 kinds of mint,
3 nutmegs,
2 onion chives, and a partridge in a bay tree.

