

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET CO  
Form SC 13G  
August 09, 2007  
CUSIP 153527106

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**SCHEDULE 13G**

(Rule 13d-102)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Original Filing)<sup>1</sup>

Central Garden & Pet Company

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

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(Title of Class of Securities)

153527106

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(CUSIP Number)

July 31, 2007

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)
  - Rule 13d-1(c)
  - Rule 13d-1(d)
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<sup>1</sup> The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the *Notes*).



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1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS. I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, L.P.04-3304963

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES 5 SOLE VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 1,500,745  
EACH REPORTING PERSON  
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,763,420

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

809,906

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,573,326 shares

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

11.6%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, Inc. 04-3304959

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Delaware

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Item            Name of Issuer: Central Garden & Pet Company

1(a).

Item 1(b).      Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

1340 Treat Blvd., Suite 600

Walnut Creek, CA 94597

Item 2(a).      Name of Person(s) Filing:

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, L.P. ( Vaughan Nelson )

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, Inc. ( General Partner )

Item 2(b).      Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

Both Vaughan Nelson and the General Partner maintain their principal offices at:

600 Travis Street, Suite 6300

Houston, Texas 77002

Item 2(c).      Citizenship:

Vaughan Nelson is Delaware limited partnership.

The General Partner is a Delaware corporation.

Item 2(d).      Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

Item 2(e).      CUSIP Number:

153527106

Item 3.            If this Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:

(a)  Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).

(b)  Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).

(c)  Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).

(d)  Investment company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C 80a-8).

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- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
  - (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with §240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
  - (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
  - (h)  A savings associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
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Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

Item 10. Certification:

Each of the Reporting Persons hereby makes the following certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

EXECUTED as a sealed instrument this 8th day of August, 2007.

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, L.P.

By: /s/ Richard B. Faig  
By: Richard B. Faig  
Its: Chief Compliance Officer

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, Inc.

By: /s/ Richard B. Faig  
By: Richard B. Faig  
Its: Chief Compliance Officer

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AGREEMENT

Each of the undersigned, pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, hereby agrees that only one statement containing the information required by Schedule 13G needs be filed with respect to the ownership by each of the undersigned of the shares of common stock of Central Garden & Pet Company that the Schedule 13G to which this Agreement is appended as Exhibit 1 is to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on behalf of each of the undersigned on or about the date hereof.

EXECUTED as a sealed instrument this 8th day of August, 2007.

Vaughan Nelson Investment Management, L.P.

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| By:  | /s/ Richard B. Faig |                          |
| By:  |                     | Richard B. Faig          |
| Its: |                     | Chief Compliance Officer |

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