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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OF 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 30, 2002**

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**Central Garden & Pet Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-20242**  
(Commission File Number)

**68-0275553**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**3697 Mt. Diablo Boulevard**  
**Lafayette, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**94549**  
(Zip Code)

**(925) 283-4573**  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

**Inapplicable**  
(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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