



GARDENING HINTS FROM THE PRO

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October To-Do List Garden Hints

In the Lawn

- Replace any dead grass that has died-off from summer with fresh St. Augustine sod to prevent weeds from sprouting up. New sod will be well-established by spring.
- Apply a fall/winter specific lawn food like Nitro-Phos Fall Special. This will build and protect the grass roots so that it recovers in spring easier.

In the Flowerbeds

- Plant fall and winter color – pansies, dianthus, snapdragons, alyssum, ornamental kale and cabbage, dusty miller, etc. Visit the nursery to see all your options. We only stock the appropriate plants for the season.
- Plant bulbs by the Holidays

Between Halloween and Thanksgiving:

- § Crocus
- § Anemones
- § Freesia
- § Ranunculus
- § Alliums
- § Lycoris

Ø Plant paper whites in pots by November 11th (Armistice Day) for blooming in time for Christmas.

Ø Refrigerate tulips until New Year's Day, then plant every two weeks through Valentine's Day for longer bloom time.

- Plant trees, shrubs, rose bushes and perennials. Planting now will ensure better survival next spring/summer and earlier growth and blooms.

In the Veggie garden

- You can plant these fall veggies and herbs now:
 - Broccoli
 - Cauliflower
 - Brussels Sprouts
 - Lettuce
 - Cabbage
 - Peas
 - Dill
 - Cilantro
 - Parsley
 - Swiss Chard
 - Mustard Greens

Feed the birds!!!

- Keep humming bird feeders clean and filled until the end of October.
- * Tons of birds migrate to our area for the winter, so keep feeders filled with high quality seeds. There are "no mess" seeds and seeds that have been mixed with pepper oil to keep rodents and squirrels from eating it.

Get Your **Green** On!

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