



- Continue planting winter vegetables, such as beets, broccoli, cabbage, onions, radishes, and spinach.
- Continue planting herbs that like cooler weather, such as dill, sage, thyme, cilantro, fennel, and parsley.
- Plant cool-season flowers, such as carnations, pansies, petunias, and snapdragons.
- Now is a good time to plant ornamental trees and shrubs.
- Use dormant oil sprays to control scale on ornamental plants, trees, and shrubs.
- Protect citrus trees if freezing temperatures are predicted. Water a day prior and you may also use covers.
- Avoid any heavy pruning jobs, as they will encourage growth that may be damaged during the winter.
- Remember the birds. As you prune, make a small pile in the back of the yard for your feathered friends.
- Remember to water your lawn during dry weather to keep it healthy.
- Plant hardy annuals, such as poppies, pansies, and larkspur.
- Top-dress your perennial beds with a layer of compost.
- Be sure to water your shrubs and trees throughout the winter, especially if the weather is dry.
- Refresh the mulch around your plants to help retain moisture and control weeds.
- Remove the leaves from your lawn, as they can encourage disease.