



# EARLY NOVEMBER GARDENING REMINDERS

Plant wildflower seeds by 2nd week of November if possible for an incredible spring show. Wildflowers need mild temps to sprout and establish before a hard freeze.

Propagate cuttings of your favorite warm weather herbs, like African Blue Basil. You can grow these cuttings throughout the winter in a protected, warm, sunny area in your garage or another brightly lit room in your home.

Complete fall fertilizer/winterizer by the first week (2nd week latest) of November.

Stop watering lawns at night, cooler temps make it harder for turf to dry out overnight, and can encourage fungal issues like Brown Spot

Leaf Season is arriving. Use the fallen foliage as carbon material to add to your compost bins.

The best season is now for planting trees, shrubs and woody perennials.

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It's not too late to plant your winter vegetable gardens, but get on it doggone it!

Direct seed veggies like radish, turnip, carrots, and beets. They have a long taproot and do not transplant well. In a few weeks, thin root seedlings to about twice the diameter of the mature root veggie at harvest.

Keep in mind that spinach does best when temperatures are no higher than around 75°F. (Pansies and Violas are kind of like this too.)

Don't heavily prune perennials this month. All foliage will help protect the entire plant in the event of a freeze.

Cool weather annuals are irresistible at Rainbow Gardens right now. Their colors are vibrant and cheerful. Annuals LOVE rich, organic matter, so be sure you have incorporated compost into your beds before planting. (Compost, peat moss, organic fertilizer.) And annuals need monthly feedings to keep them looking their best throughout their growing season.