



Gill Garden News

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Happy Fall, Everyone!

It's cooling down and everything's growing! Now's the time to cultivate your garden. We want to share with you our new seed provider, Botanical Interest. The co-founder, Curtis Jones, shared with us that much of their seed comes from right here in Texas, many varieties are organically grown and none of their seed is genetically engineered. We're happy to share this great seed provider with you!



Fertilize Your Lawns

Applying fertilizer develops stronger roots for winter temperatures and energy for a healthy spring flush. This will not make you have to mow more now, only give your grass a head start next spring. Our fertilizer, Gill Lawn & Garden is custom blended for our soil type with plenty of nitrogen for deep green color. A bag covers 6,000 square feet, about an average size lot. Do it now for the best results.



Apply Pre-Emergent Weed Control

You may not have weeds growing now, so keep them from returning with a good pre emergent weed control. We like HiYield Weed & Grass Stopper with Dimension. It is the same as the popular Green Light Amaze we have used for years at a fraction of the cost. Same ingredients without the fancy label. This will keep weed seeds from sprouting later this winter-early spring.



Trim A Little For Good Looks

The fall brings cool weather with opportunity for festive gatherings. If you're cleaning up your landscape before everyone arrives, it's ok to do a little trimming on those shabby shrubs, rambling roses, and viscous vines that take over. Most all plants can take some trimming in the fall, just not too much on tender tropicals like hibiscus.



Grow something green to eat!

There's a reason we see so many edible greens in the winter months; this is when they thrive, delighting in every chilly day. There are so many benefits to eating seasonally; produce picked and eaten at its peak generally has more vitamins, minerals and antioxidants than foods harvested before they're ripe and shipped. It also connects us to the calendar and the seasons - is there anything like a fresh slice of tomato in the hot summer or a hearty meal of leaves and roots in the cold?

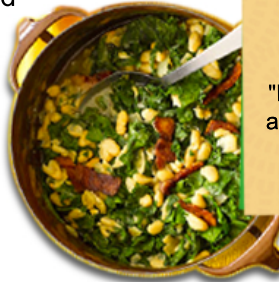
Now's the perfect time to start so many veggies from seed:

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| -Beet | -Collards | -Mustard | -Radish |
| -Carrot | -Garlic | -Onion | -Swiss chard |
| -Cilantro | -Lettuce | -Parsley | -Spinach |

Or, from transplants:

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| -Broccoli | -Cauliflower |
| -Brussels Sprouts | -Strawberries |
| -Cabbage | -Herbs |

Don't have the space or the time to care for a big vegetable garden? Most can be grown in containers - just make sure they have a good amount of sun and cool weather. Look for varieties described as "bush" or "compact" in growth habit, and any varieties that have been especially bred or hybridized for container growing.



Winter Flowers!

If the only garden you have is a small pot sitting on your balcony, plant a blooming plant in it. Flowers bring smiles to gloomy winter days, a bouquet of happiness wrapped in a single bloom! Fall season brings a multitude of selections, some for sun, some for shade. We have tons of flowers for the season and as you guessed, now is the time to plant them.

All of these transplants are great choices for the season:

Alyssum, asters, begonias, bluebonnet, calendula, chrysanthemum, dianthus (pinks) dusty miller, flowering cabbage and kale, geraniums, gerbera daisy, impatiens, lobelia, marigolds, pansies, petunias, phlox, salvia, shasta daisies, snapdragons, stock, verbenas and viola.

Signs of the Season



Mums, Pumpkins, and Halloween Goodies are here!

Fall Garden Talks
10-11am at our Airline Store!
Questions always welcome!

- October 4th - "Sensational Succulent and Container Gardens"
- October 11th - "Undiscovered Beauty"
- October 18th - "The Success of Trees in your Landscape"
- October 25th - "Getting Your Landscape Ready for Winter"
- November 1st - "Herbs For Your Holidays"
- November 15th - "The 3rd Coast Harvest For The Holidays"

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