

CARE FOR NEW LANDSCAPE

When to water:

If planted during hot summer months

- Every day the 1st 2 weeks (Some plants may need twice a day). First watering, early in the day. Check bedding flowers such as zinnias three times a day
- Every other day for the next 2 weeks
- Three times a week for the following month
- Twice a week through the first summer

Cool weather

- Every day the 1st week
- Every other day the next 2 weeks
- Twice a week the next 2 weeks
- Once a week thereafter and depending on rain

*Note: **Check oaks, crape myrtles** and annuals frequently with a moisture meter in the rootball.*

When to fertilize:

Annuals

- Once every 1-2 weeks with Miracle Gro or organically with Hasta Gro or once every 4-6 weeks with organic Rose Glo Granular
- Every 3-6 months with Osmocote 14-14-14 For Bedding

Established Evergreen Plants

- 2-3 times a year with Gill Lawn & Garden Fertilizer or monthly with organic Medina Growin Green
- Top dress flower beds twice a year organically with Nature's Blend Compost

When to mow: (More frequent gives denser lawn)

Bermuda Sod

- Every 4 - 7 days during growing season maintaining a 1" height

St. Augustine Sod

- Every 5 - 7 days during growing season maintaining a 2" - 3" height

When to prune:

While still dormant

- Hardy trees and shrubs, example: crape myrtles, oaks, elms, ash, bush roses etc.

After they bloom in spring

- Example: azaleas, indian hawthorn, climbing roses, carolina jessamine vine etc.

Note: You can prune lightly to shape most plants throughout the year.

If insects are a problem:

Aphids – Bayer Rose & Flower, organically with Neem Oil or Spinosad Soap

Mealy Bugs – Bayer Rose & Flower, organically with Insecticidal Soap

Spider Mites – organically with Spinosad or Neem Oil

White Fly – Bayer Rose & Flower, organically with Neem Oil or Spinosad Soap



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If fungus is a problem:

Black Spot – Fertilome Systemic Fungicide or Neem Oil

Powdery Mildew – Fertilome Systemic Fungicide or Serenade

Rotting – Fertilome Broad Spectrum Fungicide

Leaf Spot – Fertilome Broad Spectrum Fungicide (esp. indian hawthorn, photinia, ligustrum) or

Serenade

If weeds are a problem:

Roundup – (post emergent) kills all existing plant material

Hi Yield Weed & Grass Stopper with Dimension – (in beds after 1st 2 weeks and established lawns; prevents new weed seeds from germinating

Weed-B-Gon for St. Augustine – kills broadleaf weeds; will not hurt lawn grasses

(Do not use under drip line of trees or un shrub beds). Only apply when temperature is under 90°.

Grass-B-Gone – kills all grasses; will not hurt desirable plants listed on label

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When to water:

- Daily for 1st 2 weeks (twice a day in summer)
- Every other day for next 2 weeks
- Once a week thereafter and depending on rain

Note: check frequently in hot summer months – objective is to deliver 1” of water per week, after established

When to fertilize:

New Lawns

- Twice a year – April and September/October with Gill Lawn & Garden Fertilizer
- Organic Milorganite or Medina Growin Green

When to treat for insects:

Grubs worms – Bayer Season Long May – June, Bayer 24 hour Grub Control or Bayer Complete in June - July

Chinch bugs – use Cyonara, Spectracide Triazicide or Bayer Complete

When to treat for fungus:

Brown Patch – use Bayer Lawn Fungus or F-Stop in early fall, organically with Nature’s Blend Compost or Composted Manure

Take All Patch – Peat Moss in October/November



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