

Fall Garden Checklist

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Clean & store:		heck:

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Fall Garden IDEAS

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PLANTS

- Have emergency protection ready for early frost AND early spring growth
- Mulch and/or divide perennials
- Erect barriers to protect young trees and bushes, as well as bulbs
- Take cuttings; collect seeds
- Grow cold-loving, quick-maturing varieties of greens & peas
- Dig up & store tender bulbs
- Plant shrubs and evergreens

SOIL & GARDEN AREA

- Mulch and/or grow cover crop
- Prepare area for winter composting, preferably near kitchen
- Leave some seedheads, berries, and other material for wildlife
- Leave some areas of brush and leaf litter for overwintering guests such as bumblebees and toads
- Prune & remove anything with signs of damage or disease
- Preparations for early spring

SHED & STORAGE

- Empty, clean, and store pots and containers
- Empty & store water hoses
- Clean & store water features
- Examine, clean, and maintenance tools and equipment
- Organize shed to encourage early spring gardening adventures
- Bring delicate garden art indoors
- Winterize/maintenance shed

OTHER

- Wash & store glass birdfeeders
- Wash, fill, & place winter feeders
- Clean & cover garden furniture
- Check insulation on water pipes
- Shut off and protect outdoor faucets
- Clean out gutters & eaves troughs
- Collect seedheads, flowers, leaves for crafting & creative use

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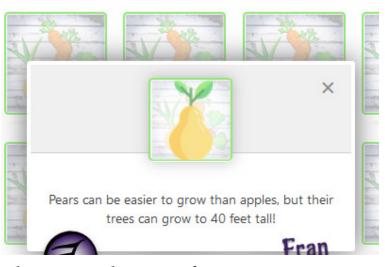


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