

# GREENSCAPES CALENDAR



## EARLY SPRING

- Test your soil (PAGE 4)
- Prepare your compost bin (PAGE 9)
- Apply natural weed control (PAGES 7–10)
- Hook up your rain barrel (PAGE 18)
- Plant annuals and new perennials (PAGE 14)

## LATE SPRING

- Apply mulch to deter weeds (PAGE 7)
- Add prunings and clippings to compost (PAGE 10)
- Check your outdoor space for invading invasive plants (PAGE 12)
- If needed, sharpen mower blades and de-thatch lawn (PAGE 6)
- Usually no need to water before Memorial Day (PAGES 16–18)

## SUMMER

- Follow the watering rules of thumb (PAGE 17)
- Use the Spade Test to check if your yard is thirsty (PAGE 16)
- Don't plant in the summer, but get inspired for fall (PAGES 20–22)
- Kick back and think about all the benefits of gardening the natural way (PAGE 3)

## FALL

- Usually no need to water after Labor Day (PAGE 17)
- Check your mower blades for proper height and sharpness (PAGE 6)
- Seed with fescue and top dress with compost (PAGE 5)
- Plant shrubs, trees, or new garden features (PAGES 14–15)
- Rake and use leaves as mulch or add them to compost (PAGES 7–10)