

Gardening Tasks

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- It is the best time of the year to plant shade trees and adapted shrubs. The root systems will develop to some degree before the plant must face the challenges of a San Antonio summer. Dig the hole as deep and 3 times as wide as the root system. There is no advantage in adding compost or potting mix to the planting hole. Cover the root area with 4 inches of mulch.
- Plant snapdragons, stock, dianthus, calendula, ornamental kale and alyssum transplants for winter color in the sun. Plant sweet peas by seed. Use a tomato cage as a trellis. In the shade plant cyclamen and plumeria transplants.
- An important task is to remove unwanted seedlings such as hackberry, Chinaberry, and greenbrier vine from your fence line and garden beds. Prevent regrowth by applying Cut Vine and Stump Killer to the fresh cut. The material will translocate into the root system. It saves lots of work in the future.
- The main broccoli heads are close to harvest time. Apply more fertilizer and the secondary heads will be ready in a few weeks. Kale, spinach, chard, mustard, collards and other greens can be harvested leaf by leaf as you need them.