

## Express News Gardening Tasks

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- Wildflower seeds from poppies, bluebonnets, larkspurs, blue curl and other species are mature enough to be collected now. If you don't sack up the whole plant, pick the seed pods that are full size and have started to brown.
- Carrots, rutabagas, English peas, and Swiss chard have still been providing harvestable foliage, pods, and roots this spring but they are at the end of their productive life. Onions are ready to harvest when the tops flop over. Start harvesting potatoes when the plants bloom. It is time to harvest peaches when the background color switches from green to yellow.
- If you are looking for a new flowering plant for your containers or flower garden, try "New Look" celosia in the sun and "Whopper" begonia in the shade. Both are Texas Superstars.
- If Bermuda grass is invading your shrub borders and gardens control it with one of the contact herbicides for grass. Among the choices are Over-the-Top, Grass-be-Gone, Ornamec, and Fusilade. They all can be sprayed in the vicinity of shrubs and broadleaf plants without damaging them. Follow label instructions.