

Express News Gardening Tasks

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- Prepare the soil for your winter vegetable garden by incorporating 10 cups of slow release lawn fertilizer and 2 inches of compost into each 100 sq. ft of garden bed. It also works best if you moisten the soil before planting the seeds and transplants. Consider broccoli, carrots, beets, kale, lettuce, cauliflower, radishes, Brussels sprouts, chard, turnips and cabbage.
- If the lawn has received irrigation or rain and is green, fertilize with a "winterizer" fertilizer. The fall fertilization contributes to winter hardiness and a fast spring green-up.
- Spread the seed for wildflowers now. The seed as to be able to reach bare soil in full sun to be successful. The wildflower mixes designated for Texas work, or you can plant single selections like bluebonnets, coreopsis, poppies, larkspur, and blue curl.
- Zinnias will continue blooming until Thanksgiving, but you can also plant the cool weather annuals such as snapdragons, stocks, alyssum, dianthus, and calendula. Wait another month before you plant pansies and cyclamen.