

Express News Gardening Tasks

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- Spread wildflower seed over areas in full sun where the seed can make contact with the soil. Seek out a seed mix designed for Texas or purchase individual seed species. Your favorite nursery or internet retailers are good seed sources.
- Monarch butterflies should be seeking nectar sources in San Antonio neighborhoods so they can continue their migration to their wintering ground near Mexico City. Milkweed, mistflower, porter weed, zinnias, lantanas, duranta and Mexican flame vine are sought after nectar sources. Avoid spraying insecticides on or near plants that will attract the Monarchs.
- If you managed to water your lawn during this record hot summer and it is green, it is time to fertilize with a “winterizer” fertilizer such as 18-6-12. The “winterizer” fertilizer will enhance the grasses cold tolerance and contribute to fast spring green-up.
- This is an excellent time to plant shade trees and other plants. They will have a period to develop a root system before they must face a San Antonio summer.