

## Express News Gardening Tasks

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- Temperatures approached freezing in some areas in October, have your fabric coverings and heat sources ready for action to protect such plants as citrus. If temperatures again are forecast to fall below 40 degrees F move cold sensitive plants such as bougainvillea, plumeria, mandevilla and oriental hibiscus into shelter.
- It is an excellent time to plant pansies, violas, stocks, snapdragons, sweet peas, dianthus, petunias, and other cold tolerant annuals in the garden for winter color.
- Add spinach and English peas to the list of winter vegetables to plant in the garden. Broccoli, Swiss chard, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, beets, radish, lettuce, turnips, kale, and Chinese cabbage are also on the list. Use seeds for the English peas, radishes, turnips, beets, and lettuce.
- Protect primula, pansies and other low growing plants from slugs and snails with slug and snail bait. It also works to sink plastic cups half filled with beer in the soil. The slugs and snails are attracted to the beer and are drowned in the container.