



Garden Jobs – September

- ◆ Toss annual and vegetable plants that have stopped producing into the compost. Be sure they are disease free.
- ◆ Fertilize deciduous fruit trees.
- ◆ Prepare soil for fall and winter vegetables and annuals: turn soil and add compost.
- ◆ Dig, divide, and replant overgrown perennials as they finish blooming. Weed and amend beds before replanting.
- ◆ Chill tulips, narcissus, and hyacinth for 6 weeks in the refrigerator before planting. Use a paper bag to store them.
- ◆ Sow annual or perennial ryegrass on bare slopes to prevent erosion.
- ◆ Feed pond fish less and when the water temperature falls below 50 degrees, stop feeding altogether.
- ◆ Fall planting of winter and early spring veggies is done now. Think lettuce, chard, beets, spinach, peas as well as broccoli, cabbage, and cauliflower.
- ◆ Sweet Pea seed planted now will over winter as small plants and start growing again as the spring warms up for an early crop.
- ◆ Plant trees, shrubs, or perennials now that the weather has cooled and transplant shock will be minimal.
- ◆ Apply 0-10-10 fertilizer to the garden to strengthen plants for winter.