



Florida Gardening Calendar

Comments or suggestions?

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South Florida Edition

What to Plant

Bedding Plants: Create a display of fall colors with cool season plants. Some to try are impatiens, strawflower, cape daisy, and pansy. **See:** [Gardening with Annuals in Florida](#)

Bulbs: Many bulbs like to get their start in cool weather. Bulbs to plant this month include amaryllis, crinum, and the many varieties of elephant's ear. **See:** [Bulbs for Florida](#)

Herbs: Continue planting herbs from seeds or plants. A wide variety of herbs like cooler, dryer weather, including cilantro, dill, fennel, parsley, sage, and thyme. **See:** [Herbs in the Florida Garden](#)

Vegetables: Continue planting cool season crops such as beet, broccoli, cabbage, carrot, kale, and lettuce. **See:** [Florida Vegetable Gardening Guide](#)

What to Do

Perennials: Divide and replant overgrown perennials, ornamental grasses, and bulbs now so that they establish before the coolest weather arrives. **See:** [Propagation of Landscape Plants](#)

Fungal disease: Until May, watch for brown patch and large patch, fungal diseases that cause areas of grass to turn brown. Since treatment is difficult, prevention with proper cultural practices is key. **See:** [Brown Patch](#)

Scale on ornamental plants: Now that temperatures are lower, use dormant oil sprays to control scale insects. **See:** [Scale Insects and Mealybugs on Ornamental Plants](#)

Irrigation: Plants need less supplemental watering in cooler weather. Turn off systems and water only if needed. **See:** [Water Efficiently Fertilization and Irrigation Needs of Florida Lawns and Landscapes](#)

Poinsettias: Watch for hornworms on poinsettias planted in the landscape. This pest can quickly defoliate a plant; handpick or treat only the area infested. **See:** [Poinsettias at a Glance](#)

Lawns: This is a great time to plant ryegrass to cover bare patches in the lawn. **See:** [Your Florida Lawn](#)

What to Do Every Month

- Adjust irrigation based on rainfall.
- Deadhead flowers to encourage new blooms.
- Monitor the garden for insects and disease.
- Plant trees, shrubs, and perennials and water until established.
- [Mow lawns](#) at recommended heights:
 - St. Augustine & Bahia: 3-4"
 - Centipede: 1.5-2.0"
 - Dwarf St. Augustine: 2.5"
 - [Zoysiagrass](#)

UF Resources For Gardeners

- UF/IFAS Publications (EDIS) <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/>
- Florida-Friendly Landscaping <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/>
- Solutions For Your Life <http://solutionsforyourlife.com>
- *Gardening in a Minute* Radio Program <http://gardeninginaminute.com>
- Florida Master Gardener Program <http://gardeninginsolutions.ifas.ufl.edu/mastergardener/>
- Living Green <http://livinggreen.ifas.ufl.edu/>