

Pesticide Free-Garden Maintenance Plan

Month		Garden Tasks
January		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review garden log from summer/fall and take inventory on last years' successes/issues - Make a plan for new season if needed
February		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Place order for plants/seeds to replace any lost plants - Clean, sharpen and repair tools for upcoming season
March		Replace or worn out/faded plant label and stakes
April		- Mow no more than half of your old perennial stand in a given year (pollinator eggs and larvae may be killed in this process)
May-June		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Begin planting after last frost.(May 15) - Add 2-3" of mulch around the plants to conserve moisture and prevent weeds, as needed - Water new plants thoroughly (plants need an inch of water per week for the first season)
July-August		<p>Water and weed as needed</p> <p>Enjoy the many blooms and colors!!!</p>
September-October		Look for your pollinators, beetles, bees, butterflies, (their eggs, larvae, chrysalis), beetles and hummingbirds
November-December		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leave dead twigs, broken plant stems, leaf litter and bare areas of dirt for ground nesting insects and bees - Leave dried up perennials and add piles of small rocks to encourage nesting and overwintering, and egg laying habitat - Collect and label seeds: share them or plant at your home



Questions ?

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