

MAY GARDEN TASKS



Fruits & Vegetables

- Plant herb seedlings
- Cover unplanted beds with black plastic before planting
- Sow more rows of: carrots, beets, and lettuce
- Plant mid-season cabbage seedlings
- Plant tomatoes, kale, brussels sprouts (peppers end of month)
- Direct sow: beans, melons, squash cucumbers, pumpkins, and corn
- Control insects with row cover, hand picking, or Bt
- Pheromone traps in apple trees

Flowers

- Lay paper and mulch to flower beds
- Plant tender geraniums, fuchsias, begonias, and impatiens
- Can still plant dahlia and gladiolus tubers mid-month
- Deadhead/Prune: lilacs, azaleas, spring bulbs after bloom
- Continue to prune & divide perennials
- Fertilize roses and shrubs if needed

Other

- Seed lawn areas if needed
- Mow, weed, fertilize lawns
- Trim hedges and evergreens
- Test and get watering systems and hoses ready
- Harden off any seedlings you have left (tomatoes and peppers)

Notes