

LAWN CARE

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Tips for a lush, green lawn

Your lawn is the first thing people notice when they look at your house. A beautiful, healthy carpet of green grass showcases your home and also reduces runoff and prevents soil erosion in the landscape. A great looking lawn can be developed and maintained and still be environmentally responsible.

When choosing new turfgrass you'll want to consider soil conditions where you live, the amount of water available for use, the degree of shade or sunlight present and how active you want to be in the yard. You can seed or sod small areas for specific use or cover your entire landscape.

Ask one of our nursery professionals for advice on starting a new lawn, renovating the old one or guidance on the best turfgrass for your situation.

Here are some general lawn tips we recommend. Visit our garden center for more information.

1. Apply pre-emergent in the early Spring and again in the Fall to stop weeds before they sprout. Try to time the application around the weather for a natural, healthy watering-in.
2. Feed your lawn in the Spring after the pre-emergent and again in the Fall. Choose conventional fertilizer or an overall organic lawn program.
3. Some lawns can use an inch or more of water a week in hot, dry weather. Water longer and deeper but not as often to encourage healthy root growth.

Caring for lawns

- Feed and weed your lawn on schedule. Weeds can be minimized by good mowing and fertilization.
- Watch for pests and disease and treat at the earliest onset of problems.
- Mow Bermuda grass when it's 1 1/2 inches tall and St. Augustine at 3 inches. Raise mower height at the start of summer heat.
- Water deeply or not at all as light sprinkling damages root development
- Ask our nursery professionals for assistance. We're here to help!


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