

# Month of Oct.



Oct 1 & 31



Oct 16

## Fruit & Veggies

- Plant garlic cloves from mid-October through early-November.
- Remove vegetable plants after harvest.
- Protect tomatoes from early frost by covering with a tarp or blanket.
- Overwinter carrots, beets, and parsnips by covering in mulch.
- Prune (to the ground) raspberry canes that have fruited.

## Trees & Shrubs

- Rototill leaves and add to compost.
- Plant trees and shrubs in the fall, it enhances root establishment!
- Protect the trunks of young trees from winter by wrapping them in reflective tree wrap.

## Pests:

- Clean up and discard fallen fruit to reduce chance for disease and insect pests.
- Send diseased plants and leaves to the local landfill.

## Annuals & Perennials

- Cut back ornamental grasses in snow prone areas.
- Plant spring blooming bulbs in October-November.
- Continue to plant cold hardy annuals such as pansies, primrose, kale, and ornamental cabbage.
- Control tough perennial weeds in the fall.

## Lawn

- The last mowing (late October) should be 1-1.5 inches.
- Apply a quick-release nitrogen fertilizer late October, after the last mowing, to encourage spring growth/health.

First Frost ≈ Oct 15th



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