



AUGUST TIMELY TIPS



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SORRY TO BUG YOU

With the heat comes more nighttime feeding insects like earwigs that eat holes in leaves leaving them looking like lace. Treat earwigs with Bug & Slug Killer, or Diatomaceous Earth. Also, avoid watering at night so that insects aren't attracted to your garden.



Spider Mites are on the rise & can be problematic with both evergreen & deciduous trees, shrubs, & perennials. Treat with Neem Oil or Mite X, according to directions, in early morning or late afternoon.



BLOOMING SUMMER!

Perk up your flower beds with late summer-blooming perennials like asters, mums & anemones.



Continue deadheading annuals & perennials to promote more flowering.

Hello Sunshine

Watch closely for signs of scorch on tender new foliage – the margins of leaves turn brown and crispy – indicating lack of water and/or exposure to hot drying winds.

CONTROL SUCKING INSECT PESTS, INCLUDING APHIDS, MEALYBUGS, SCALE, SPIDER MITES, THRIPS, & WHITEFLY WITH LADY BUGS OR FERTILOME TRIPLE ACTION PLUS OR BONIDE INSECTICIDAL SOAP.



FOR CHEWING INSECTS SUCH AS CATERPILLARS, USE FERTILOME

CATERPILLAR KILLER OR CAPTAIN JACK'S DEADBUG BREW.



Check plants weekly to be sure they are getting **ADEQUATE WATER;** established trees, shrubs, perennials & roses need 1 inch of water per week.



Water newly planted trees, shrubs, and perennials 3-4 times per week.

KEEP VEGETABLES PICKED SO THE PLANTS WILL KEEP PRODUCING.



Bonide Tomato & Vegetable 3 in 1 may be used as an insecticide, fungicide & miticide up to the day of harvest.



Monitor tomatoes and ensure that they receive an even supply of moisture instead of heavy soaking & then a drought.



MANY BIRDS CONTINUE THEIR MAIN MOLT THROUGH AUGUST, WHICH REQUIRES EXTRA PROTEIN FOR THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, OFFER HIGH-PROTEIN BIRD FOODS, TO ENSURE THAT YOUR BIRDS HAVE A RELIABLE SOURCE OF PROTEIN TO HELP THEM WITH MOLTING.



Rufous hummingbirds will be arriving in the area and will stay until fall, so keep feeders full of fresh sugar water. Change nectar every few days to avoid spoilage.



For tailored advice or product recommendations, see your local plant doctor.

DID YOU KNOW?



Spreading a 3" layer of nutrient rich organic mulch around plants reduces water usage by up to 30%.