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## Lawn and garden tips for the fall

The cool, wet months of the fall are ideal conditions to prepare your lawn and garden for the cold months ahead. Here are a few tips to help your garden survive the winter and thrive in the spring:

- Remove any debris, leaves and diseased foliage from your lawn and garden.
- Continue to mow your lawn at a height of around 2.5 inches as long as it is actively growing.
- Overseed and aerate your lawn. The cool and wet conditions of fall make it the perfect time to overseed your lawn with a pure premium grass seed for a thicker lawn that will crowd out weeds in spring.
- Repair any damaged spots now, while temperatures are cool and there's more rainfall and heavier dew. Try a product like Scotts Patch Master lawn repair mix for an all-in-one solution.
- Apply a winter care fertilizer approximately four weeks before you expect frost. The fall is the most important application of fertilizer because it helps your lawn emerge healthier in spring after a long winter.
- Plant any flower bulbs in the fall to provide welcome blooms at the first sign of spring. Feed bulbs with an organic choice bone meal.

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