

Taskforce Helpful Hints – How to care for your Lawn before, during, and after winter

Temperature dip can stir forlorn feelings that can be exacerbated by the sight of a barren lawn. Throwing your gardening tools in the shed because the breeze has become crisp isn't the most prudent thing to do if you want a verdant lawn at the end of the winter. After all you wouldn't want all those tilling, planting, composting, pruning and watering you did last summer go down the drain, right? Thankfully, there are things that you can do to protect your lawn from the cold and even keep it pleasant-looking despite the parka-bundling weather.

Keep Fertilizing

Clean the lawn by pulling out the weeds and sick plants before planting any hardy grass. This is to reduce competition in nutrients and to prevent the grass from getting infected. Spread fertilizer over the bed because even hardy grasses need all the support that they can get to endure the frost. This will stay in the soil and feed the grass with sufficient nutrients until winter is over. And when spring arrives, the roots will grow rapidly as they were not deprived of their needs.

Keep Watering

All plants need water. This is why you shouldn't stop watering the lawn during winter. You just have to cut it back since the grass is quite dormant and it shouldn't be forced to have considerable growth during the cold times. Remember that water is needed in order for nutrients to diffuse into the roots. Some people even pour tepid water onto the lawn to melt the snow and prevent the soil from getting too condensed.

Keep Mowing

You have to watch the length of the grass as it plays a crucial role on its overall health. Don't cut it too short to prevent the cold winds from hitting its roots and cause freezing. Else, there will be dead sections in your lawn at the end winter and they could ruin the whole view. Also, don't let it grow too long in order to avoid contracting plant diseases. It takes some expert eye to know when to stop mowing, and you'll certainly acquire one with practice and vigilance.

Keep Raking

Photosynthesis is the process by which plants produce their food, and a one of the major ingredients is sunlight. Strong winds during fall and winter remove leaves from trees that fall onto lawns. These might shield your grass from sunlight and make

photosynthesis impossible. Thus, you should still rake leaves but be gentle to prevent damage to roots underneath. Also, thick layers of debris can block air which is another vital element for a plant's survival.

Keep Learning

If you want to improve the condition of your lawn next spring but only has small knowledge about gardening, do not hesitate to approach a professional in your locality. Without sufficient familiarity, you could end damaging the lawn this winter. Continue reading about modern gardening tips in order to be informed with new products and techniques that make your lawn healthy and lovely all year round.

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