

GARDENING TIPS

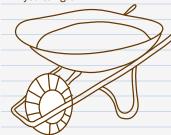
JULY MEANS...

July means insect & disease activity is minimal, plant growth is vigorous and you can now plant a wide range of annuals, vegetables and flowers.

While it appears that activity in the garden has stopped, there is a lot going on under it. Earthworms & soil microbes are processing the organic material they are finding. Trees, shrubs & hardy bulbs are all growing roots, drawing on soil nutrients & moisture around them.

PREPARE AND CONDITION SOIL

Dig in compost and **Organic Xtra**, turn it over & consider all of the wonderful vegetables & flowers you can grow.



PREPARE PLANTS FOR WINTER SHOCK

Even in balmy coastal areas, it can become bitterly cold so take precautions. Spread a generous amount of **Organic Xtra** directly onto the soil around the drip line of all plants, then top with a thick layer of mulch, both from your compost heap & from newly fallen leaves to prevent surface roots drying out.

Any winter rain will break down mulch & organic fertilisers, feed roots and enrich your soil in preparation for Spring. Lift and divide summer blooming perennials. Enrich soil now with

plenty of compost and **Organic Xtra**. Discard old, woody centre stems. Replant only new shoots and runners from the outside of the clump. Plant bare rooted roses. Pop a small handful of **Organic Xtra**, water and a dash of soil in the bottom of the planting hole for extra boost.

REFRESH POT PLANTS FOR SPRING

Replace tired, old potting mix. Blend a handful of **Organic Xtra** through a fresh batch of quality potting mix and re-pot. Create a lovely feature pot display in a bare or dull corner.



TIP: Towards the end of winter roses need a strong prune to encourage good strong new growth

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WHAT TO plant



FLOWERS

TROPICAL alyssum, amaranthus, begonia, caledula, carnation, cosmos, everlasting daisy, petunia, marigold, phlox, portulaca, salvia, sunflower and zinnia

SUBTROPICAL alyssum, calendula, carnation, cornflower, dianthus, foxglove, lobelia, marigold, nasturtium, nemesia, pansy, petunia, phlox, snapdragon, strawflower and viola

COOL TEMPERATE alyssum, calendula, cornflower, carnation, dianthus, lobelia, marigold, nasturtium, nemesia, pansy, petunia, phlox, portulaca, salvia, sunflower, candytuft, delphinium, english daisy, godetia, hollyhock, lupin, nigella, polyanthus, poppy, schizanthus, snapdragon, sweet pea, sweet william & wallflower and zinnia.



HERBS

TROPICAL dill, garlic, marjoram, mint, oregano, parsley, sage, thai coriander and thyme.

SUBTROPICAL chamomile, comfrey, dill, garlic bulbs, lavender, lemon balm, marjoram, mint, oregano, parsley, sage, sorrel and thyme.

cool temperate plant chamomile, comfrey, coriander, dill, feverfew, garlic bulbs, lavender, lemon balm, marjoram, mint, oregano, parsley, sage and thyme, chives, curry, mint.

Add colour to your garden with Annuals in Winter!



VEGETABLES

TROPICAL beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, french beans, garlic, kohl rabi, leeks, lettuce, onions, peas, potatoes, pumpkin, radish, silver beet, squash, spring onion, swede, sweet potato, tomato and turnip.

SUBTROPICAL beetroot, broad beans, brussel sprouts, broccoli, cabbage, carrot, capsicum, cauliflower, celery, collards, endive, kale, kohl rabi, french beans, garlic, leeks, lettuce, mustard greens, onions, parsnip, peas, potatoes, radish, silver beet, spinach, swede, shallots, sweet potato, turnip and tomato.

COOL TEMPERATE broad beans, beetroot, carrot, cauliflower, kohl rabi, lettuce, mustard greens, onions, spring onion, shallots, parsnip, peas, radish, silverbeet and turnip.

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