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Lawn

Use a PH tester to check the PH of your lawn. Do this before the season starts. The PH should be between 6.2-6.7.

Planning:

In 2-3 weeks you can take cuttings from Brown Turkey Fruiting Fig trees. Take the cuttings as soon as the weather warms but well before the figs break dormancy. Use promix potting soil, Root boost, and 4 inch pots, to start the 3-4 inch cuttings. Cuttings can be rooted outside in a sunny sheltered location. It may take 4-5 weeks for them to be rooted.

Deer:

• Spring will be here soon. Make sure to protect hostas from deer damage. To do this, apply I Must Garden Granular Animal Repellant 7-10 days before the hostas emerge from the soil. When the hostas reach 2-4," apply I Must Garden Liquid Deer Repellent. Additionally, make bi-weekly treatments to hostas until they stop growing new leaves.

Seeds:

• Start shopping now for flower and vegetable seeds. Look for starter trays and heating mats.

• It will soon be time to plant cool weather vegetable seeds and cool weather herbs, like chives and parsley.

• Shop now for your spring lawn supplies. You do not want to be waiting in line at the stores when you could be applying the Turf Trust and other supplies. If you are not sure what supplies you need, you can always call an expert at 1-800-721-6003.

• If you did not service your lawn mower, have it serviced now so that it is ready for spring.

• Check your spreader now to make sure it is in proper working order. Oil any parts that need oiled. When in need of a new spreader, we recommend the Earthway 2100p.

Flower Bulbs

Ignore tulips and daffodils that are emerging from the soil. Do not try to mulch or slow them down. The cool weather will do this for you.

House Plants:

Continue feeding house plants, Orchids, And Christmas Cactus with Seamate. Control spider mites on house plants with Summit year round house plant spray oil. Aphids, Mealy bugs, and scale on house plants and Hibiscus are controlled with Bonide systemic house plant control.