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Flowers:

Some summer flowers that deer will rarely eat include Salvia, Vinca minor, Marigolds, and Geraniums. In the heat of the summer, plants will need more food and water than normal. Feed summer flowers only one time with *Garden Trust* fertilizer after planting. This application will feed them for the entire season.

Do not use [Garden Trust](#) on flowers in small containers or on houseplants. Houseplants summering over outdoors will be fed with Monterey fish and poop fertilizer bi-weekly and house plants that are indoors should be fed with Seamate every time you water with 1/2 tablespoon of [Seamate](#) mixed with one quart of water. When watering Jasmine, Gardenia, and Citrus plants, add 1 tablespoon of vinegar and 1/2 tablespoon of Seamate to every quart of water.

Outdoor container flowers and plants that are in small containers (14 inch pots or less) should be fed weekly with [Monterey fish and poop fertilizer](#). These container flowers need to be watered daily in the summer.

Shrubs:

Keep an eye out for bagworms and spider mites. Use Bonide systemic insect control spray to control them.

Vegetables:

Make a light application of [Hi- Yield Calcium Nitrate](#) on tomato plants to prevent blossom end rot. Make this application as soon as you see the plants start to form fruit.

Roses:

Many roses, including Knock Out (or is it Knockout) roses, are suffering from rose slugs. Signs of rose slug infestation include many small holes in the leaves of the rose plant. To eradicate rose slugs, use [Bonide Eight spray](#). To prevent new infestations, drench the plants with [Bonide Rose RX Soil Drench](#).

Lawn:

Zoyzia , Bermuda , St Augustine, and other southern lawn grasses, as well as Tall Fescue and Blue Grass lawns, that were not fed (when sown or in the spring?) will need an early summer application of [Turf Trust](#) lawn fertilizer. Zoyzia lawns only need to be fed one time per year if using *Turf Trust*. To strengthen your lawns root system and to help the lawn become more drought resistant, apply [Kick Start](#) to the lawn now.

Zenith Zoysia can be sown now. You can also plant plugs and zoysia sod now.