

November 28, 2015

#### Holiday Plants

Poinsettias - Buy them from a Grower or a garden center that has a greenhouse.

Do not buy " Displayed in Sleeves " Poinsettias

Do not buy plants with milky spots

On your drive home protect them from the cold

Do not leave them in your car while you go shopping

When home place them in an area with indirect sunlight, but is still bright

Keep them at normal room temps 65-75 degrees

Feed them with [Seamate](#) every time you water

Christmas Cactus- Protect them from the cold

Do not leave them in the car while shopping

Keep them in a cool room 62-65 degrees at night

Keep soil moist, NOT WET

Feed them with Seamate every time you water

Cyclamen - Keep in slightly cool room

keep slightly moist , NOT WET

Never let them run out of water or " Dry out "

Feed them with Seamate every time you water

#### Christmas trees

Balled Live trees - Dig hole before soil freezes

Protect soil to backfill the hole

Spray them with winter shield ( except blue trees)

Take them inside right before Christmas to limit indoor time

Try to not damage the tree when decorating

Keep it well watered, before bringing it indoor.

Cut trees - Best trees are : Fraser Fir , and Douglas ( Do not use spruces as a cut tree for indoor use)

Near the top of the tree, check the freshness of the tree by bending the branch.

Hit the stem on the ground , look for excessive needle drop.

Make sure you make a fresh cut of the trunk, before putting it in the stand.

Keep the reservoir full of water and add Prolong to the water.

Never let the tree dry out

Spray tree with [Winter shield](#) before bringing the tree indoors (except blue tree)

Move some chives and parsley plants indoors for the winter. This will help you keep a fresh supply of these herbs. Grow them in a well lit area and for best taste feed them with Seamate when watering.

#### Shrubs:

Check the Ph on evergreens and shrubs that like a high Ph ( Arborvitae, Yew, Boxwood, Lilac, Privet, Ligustrum, and Peony ) use [a Luster Leaf electronic Ph tester](#) to test the ph. If the Ph needs to be increased use [Bonide Hydrated Lime](#).

Holly, Azaleas , Rhododendrons, Mountain laurels, Pierce Japonica, Gardenia , and Camellia like a low PH to grow. Use a Luster Leaf PH tester to check the PH. If the PH for those plants are over 6 apply [Cotton seed meal](#) now, spring, then again in mid-summer.

#### Lawn:

- The Late Fall [Turf Trust](#) application is the most important lawn feeding of the year.
- Lawns fed with [Turf Trust](#) in the late fall may be more disease and drought resistant in the summer.
- It is important that *Turf Trust* is applied at the right time. It should be applied after the last mowing while the grass is still healthy and green & well before the lawn goes dormant.
- Grass is still carrying on photosynthesis (making sugar) at this time. Because the grass is not growing on the top, energy is directed to make more roots, crowns, rhizomes, and stolons, this will make your lawn more drought resistant. Energy not used from a late Turf Trust application will be stored for the “early spring green-up.”

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