



MAY GARDEN REMINDERS

Chores and Maintenance

- Prune needle evergreens
- Complete pruning of spring-flowering trees, shrubs
(after flowering)
- Deadhead bulbs, leave foliage until yellowed
- Begin rose care: deadheading, spraying, and watering
- Mulch azaleas, rhododendrons, and laurel
with thick acid mulch
- Complete major lawn care
- Feed with compost or organic lawn fertilizer
- Set mower at 2-1/2 - 3"
- Leave clippings
- Pinch back chrysanthemum and asters

Plant and/or Transplant

- Bare root plants and evergreens
- Summer bulbs, ground covers, perennials; get annuals
- Sow cold and warm-season vegetables and herbs
(after temperature reaches 60° F)

Fertilize

- Needle evergreens- after pruning (5-10 -5)
- Roses (organic rose fertilizer or 5-10-5)
- Annuals and container plants (fish emulsion,
water soluble, organic fertilizer or 5-10-5)
- Perennials and spring bulbs (5-10-5)
- Lawn (4-1-2 ratio of N-P-K)