



OCTOBER GARDEN REMINDERS

Chores and Maintenance

Prune summer and fall-blooming trees and shrubs
Keep lawns free of fallen leaves – rake and compost
Continue to mow lawn 1-1/2 - 2” high
Clean up perennial beds – dispose of deceased leaves
Mount 10-12” of extra dirt around roses for winter protection
Fasten climbers for winter protection

Plant and/or Transplant

Needle evergreens and shrubs
Deciduous trees and shrubs –after leaf fall
Azaleas and rhododendrons
Continue to plant early spring flowering bulbs
Divide and move perennials to enhance garden design
Dig up gladioli corms and dahlia tubers to store
Pot tender perennials to winter over in cold frame

Fertilize

Clematis with lime
Iris with superphosphate
Deciduous and needle evergreen trees with organic
fertilizer when fully dormant
Acid-loving broadleaf evergreens with slow-release, granular,
acid-based fertilizer