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Desert Garden Calendar Monthly **DO** List **NOVEMBER**

Grass

Over seeding should have been done by now.

Winter ryegrass should be mowed to 1-1/2 to 2 inches. Keep watering until established, and then water only about once a week.

Yellowing of the winter lawn may occur when the cold weather sets in.

An application of a high nitrogen fertilizer will bring back the dark green color.

Trees/Shrubs

Cut back watering of all trees and shrubs, but continue to water deep.

Clean dead branches out of trees and shrubs.

Trim unwanted sprouts from the interior of your citrus trees. This makes it easier to harvest fruit.

Flowers

Plant in full sun: petunias, calendulas, dianthus and snapdragons

Plant in part sun or shade: dianthus, geraniums, impatiens, and primrose

Keep spent rose blooms pruned.

Bulbs should be planted at the beginning of November.

Vegetables

Now is the time to plant seeds for beets, bok choy, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, chard, collards, endive, kale, lettuce, mustard, onions, parsley, peas, radishes, spinach and turnips.

Transplants in November include asparagus, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, chard, and lettuce.

When you plant any of the many varieties of leaf lettuce you can harvest and the plant will keep growing new leaves. You don't have to pick the whole head of lettuce.

Plant strawberries now to get berries next spring.

Monthly **DON'T** list for November

Don't forget to check for aphids in the garden.

Don't water the lawn when it is dark.

Don't procrastinate about preparing for cold weather. Toward the end of November we can get frost, and your garden will be at risk if you don't cover tender plants, flowers, and vegetables.

Don't ignore weeds. Either use pre-emergent now, or spray them later.