

Year Round Garden Plan page



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SEPTEMBER

- Make the garden plan.
- Make raised beds and pathways.
- Start a compost heap/worm bin.
- Plant bulbs for the spring (anytime from September to November).
- Mow meadow (caretaker or parent).

OCTOBER

- Make outdoor vegetable beds.
- Plant over-winter crops: garlic, onions, green manure, over-winter grain.
- Visit local native woods and collect tree seeds/nuts.
- Create a tree nursery.

NOVEMBER

- Plant mixed native hedgerow.
- Plant a native woodland (anytime until March).
- Put out bird-feeders/bird tables.
- Put unused beds to rest for winter.
- Weed, add seaweed or manure and mulch with black plastic/cardboard.
- Collect leaves to make leaf mould/ compost.
- Make bird- or bat-boxes.
- Plant rhubarb.
- Take cuttings.

DECEMBER

- Plant heritage apple tree orchard.
- Prune and maintain existing fruit bushes.
- Add manure / compost to base of plant, set up water harvesting system.



JANUARY

- Plant soft fruit bushes and small fruit.
- Plan rotation of vegetable beds and draw a plan.
- Plant a living willow fence/archway; weave, prune, clip and tidy existing living fences/hedges.
- Tour of school grounds – create a nature trail.
- Make outdoor seating for garden.
- Start a log/rough pile in the garden.
- Divide herbs plants, e.g. chive, mint.
- Plant strawberries in pyramid pot system.

FEBRUARY

- Start sprouting potatoes on windowsill.
- Start sowing indoor plants projects.
- Plant climbers into hedge.

MARCH

- Seed vegetable plants indoors.
- Start planting beds with early potatoes, garlic, onions.
- Sow heritage grains

APRIL

- Plant beds with potatoes, garlic and onions, keep seeding vegetable plants indoors.
- Start hardening-off seedling plants.
- Protect all plants from slugs.
- Direct seed carrots, parsnips, radish and rocket.
- Harvest nettles and comfrey to make liquid feed.
- Don't mow grass in woodland and orchard; develop it as a wildflower meadow.
- Plant spreading herbs under the orchard and fruit bushes (companion planting).



