- CONMINION IN YOUR GARDEN

Maintenance of your late summer garden is high on the to-do list. With plenty to harvest from your kitchen garden, it's time to freeze and preserve all the fruits of your labour ready for the cooler months.

Continue harvesting mid season pip and stone fruit tree crops, berries and citrus. Picking fruits every day will encourage late fruiting

Edible Garden

Keep planting last summer crops of new lettuce and herbs. If you have a greenhouse you can still plant tomatoes, eggplant, cucumbers and peppers.

It's time to
harvest your
rockmelons when
the stem begins to
break away from
the fruit.

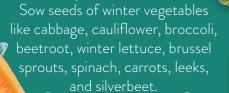


To set your fruit trees up for winter (especially citrus); use Tui Citrus Food for best results.

Watering restrictions in your area? Try these tips:

- Soak your garden every four days, instead of short shallow watering
- Water early or late to ensure the water gets to where it needs to
- Water the roots not the leaves for maximum plant benefit
- Use a sprinkler with a timer to deliver just the right amount of water

Pick vegetables every day to encourage late growth (especially peas, beans, eggplant, cucumbers and courgettes)



tomato harvest? Make your own sweet tomato sauce without the supermarket additives. View all our preserving recipes online.

Got an excess









4-6 weeks before planting.

Early summer bulbs such as anemone, ranunculus, tulips and daffodils arrive in store this month and can be planted in flower beds and pots. Bulbs can be planted now through to late autumn. By planting continuously through this period, you will be rewarded with a continuous floral display come spring.

Bulbs



Got a dry area that needs colour? Plant arctotis, calendula, gazania, osteospermum, portulaca, sedum and all types of succulents.

Sow seeds of
winter flowers like pansy,
viola, primula, polyanthus,
calendula, cineraria, poppies,
lobelia, alyssum and snapdragon.
Use Yates Black Magic Seed
Raising Mix for best
results when sowing
seeds.

Water regularly and deeply during this month to keep your garden healthy and vibrant if conditions are still dry.

Flower Garden

Applying Kolush Manuka Mulch around the base of your plants can conserve up to 70% moisture in the soil and also suppresses weed growth.



Continue to pick your flowering roses, dead head old flowers and spray to combat pests and diseases.



Summer can be brutal on lawns, so keep the weeds under control with Yates Weed & Feed for broadleaf weed control plus nutrients to give the lawn a quick green up.



All our plants are of the highest quality, but if something fails to grow in your garden, we'll simply replace it for you – that's our Palmers Promise.

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