

GARDEN HINTS

NOVEMBER

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Bait garden and flower beds for slugs.
- Prune out dead, diseased and damaged wood.
- Renew mulch around perennial flower beds after weeding,
- Apply dolomite lime to lawns to reduce winter moss growth.
- Provide winter protection for sprinkler systems. Be sure to drain completely.
- Provide winter shelter to tender evergreens.
- Rake up leaves and other debris to eliminate nesting spots for pests. Compost the leaves.
- Collect an assortment of tree and shrub branches to create original displays in winter containers.
- Build up compost with clean, dead growth from garden beds and containers.
- Keep compost active in cold weather by insulating it with a top layer of straw.

INDOOR ACTIVITIES

- Reduce fertilizer applications to houseplants by using half the strength and half as often.
- Prepare lawn mower, tools and other garden equipment for winter storage.
- Plant indoor bulbs for the holidays including... Amaryllis, Paperwhites and Hyacinths.
- Empty non-frost-proof containers and store in a dry place.
- Propagate begonias from leaf cuttings.

