



WHAT TO DO NOW

September

There is always something to do in the garden. At Town and Country Gardens we have everything you need to make your plants happy and healthy. Below is a simple guide of some of the tasks that could be undertaken to keep your garden healthy and looking fresh.

Spring has arrived and the busiest time in the garden is upon us. Spring means the soil is warming up and new growth and flowers are everywhere. With warmer weather, there are also increased pests and diseases. Keep on top of small infestations before they get out of control. Unfortunately Spring also means wind, so make sure weak trees and shrubs are staked effectively and garden beds and pots don't dry out too much.

- Fertilise practically everything. Annuals, perennials, shrubs, trees and bulbs will all appreciate the extra energy while they're putting on their new growth.
- Prune frost damaged plants and winter flowering shrubs such as camellias and azaleas.
- Treat aphids, thrip, azalea lacebug, mites, snails and caterpillars, all of which are prevalent once the weather starts to warm up and new shoots appear on plants
- Watch for fungus and pests on new growth, especially roses and rhododendrons.
- Make sure your garden is getting enough water to cope with all the increased growth and flowering. Check that your irrigation system is ready for the warmer months and apply soil wetter where necessary.
- Replace potting mix and apply slow release fertiliser to pots and baskets to rejuvenate your potted plants.