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APRIL'S PLANNING GUIDE

This is a Great Time to Plant!

PLANT:

- **Annuals** – Begonia, impatiens, snapdragon, petunia, alyssum, osteospermum, marigold, geranium, etc.
- **Perennials** – Verbena, blackfoot daisy, coreopsis, salvia, daylily, gaillardia, sedum, coral bells, etc.
- **Roses** - Earthkind Roses are heat/drought tolerant & resistant to insects/disease.
- **Vegetables and herbs** - Tomatoes, squash, peppers, cucumbers, beans, eggplant, okra, etc.
- **Fruit trees, pecans, grapes and berry plants.**
- **Trees, shrubs, vines, ornamental grasses, groundcovers.**
- **Anything with roots**, use Covington's Soil Builder. Contains compost, expanded shale (holds 38% of its weight in water) & greensand to break up clay, add nutrients, retain moisture & revitalize microbial activity.

PRUNE:

- **Groundcovers: Asian jasmine, mondgrass, and liriop**e to remove old growth.
- **Trees** to remove dead or damaged growth.
- **Shrubs** that require heavy shearing and re-shaping.
- **Spring flowering shrubs when finished blooming** (Indian hawthorne, azalea, viburnum, forsythia, etc)
- Begin mowing **lawn** regularly at recommended height. (Be sure blades are sharp)

FERTILIZE:

- Newly planted trees & shrubs every 3-4 weeks for first year with ferti.lome Root Stimulator.
- Trees, shrubs, groundcovers, perennials with Covington's Special.
- Bermuda and St. Augustine with Covington's Premium Lawn Fertilizer.
- Flowers with Osmocote and/or water-soluble plant food.
- Pecans with ferti.lome Fruit, Citrus & Pecan Fertilizer.
- Roses with ferti.lome Rose Food.

BE ON WATCH:

- Use Ferti.lome Systemic Fungicide for powdery mildew and a host of diseases and fungi that attack hawthorne, photinias, roses, crape myrtles and more.
- Use Hi-Yield Slug & Snail Killer to control slugs, snails & pillbugs on flowers, foliage and vegetables.
- Aphids, spider mites, mealy bugs, other problem insects; control with Bonide Systemic Insecticide. For best control of scale use Bonide All-Season Spray Oil.
- Spot treat broadleaf weeds in St. Augustine turf with ferti.lome Weed Out; broadleaf and grassy weeds in Bermuda turf with ferti.lome Weed Out with Q.
- Top dress landscape/flower beds with at least a 2 inch layer of **mulch** to help retain moisture.
- Continue spray program for fruit and nut trees. Use ferti.lome Fruit Tree Spray (containing Neem).
- Use ferti.lome Fireblight Spray on pears, pyracanthas, photinias while in full bloom to prevent fireblight.

WATER:

- Container plants, flower beds, shrubs & trees as needed to keep healthy.
- Trees installed for less than two years must have special care to ensure a strong and healthy root system. See our Plant Article on Tree Care for the First Two Years on our website or come by and pick one up.

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